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*Faculty Announcer: Preston McKever-Floyd, Senior Instructor of Philosophy and Religion*
*Student Marshals and Ushers: Coastal Carolina University Student Alumni Ambassadors*

*Following Commencement, the Coastal Carolina Alumni Association will host a reception for graduates and their guests in Exhibit Hall B of the Myrtle Beach Convention Center.*
ACADEMIC REGALIA
AND PROCESSION

The custom of wearing a distinctive dress for academic ceremonies dates back to the Middle Ages, when people dressed in keeping with their class: nobility, clergy or third estate. The faculties of American universities have worn distinguishing costumes since the beginning, in 1636, at Harvard University.

Today, academic regalia is worn in the United States by persons taking part in academic ceremonies in general, at commencement exercises, at baccalaureate services and at various inauguration ceremonies, such as the installation of a president, the conferring of an honorary degree on a distinguished guest or the laying of the cornerstone of a building.

The institutions awarding degrees, the nature of the degrees and the major fields of knowledge represented by the degrees can be readily identified by the designs and colors used.

The baccalaureate gown is the simplest in design. Usually black, it is distinguished by a wide yoke with shirring in front and back and by open flowing sleeves which end in a point. The baccalaureate gown is worn closed.

The master's gown is similar to the baccalaureate gown except that it has a closed or glove sleeve which is open at the wrist. The master's gown has no other trim and may be worn either open or closed.

The doctoral gown is full flowing and has large bell-shaped sleeves, and is trimmed with velvet panels down the front and has velvet chevrons on the sleeves. While black is still the predominant color for doctoral gowns, the trim may be in a color which denotes the wearer's discipline or the color of the gown may denote the wearer's university.

The square Oxford cap, or mortarboard, of serge or broadcloth, with a stiff crown, is traditionally black. Once the baccalaureate degree has been conferred, the tassel is worn on the left side. The tassel is usually black, but may be of a color denoting the major field of knowledge for bachelor's and master's degrees and gold for doctoral degrees.

The white honor stole, worn around the neck, signifies honors; it is embroidered with the University seal and the honors to which the graduating student is entitled, academic and/or societal. Recognized honor societies and their representative disciplines at Coastal Carolina University are:

Alpha Kappa Delta: Sociology;
Alpha Mu Gamma: Foreign Language;
Alpha Sigma Lambda: Adult Learners;
Beta Gamma Sigma: Business and Management;
Delta Omicron: Music;
Eta Sigma Gamma: Health;
Kappa Delta Pi: Education;
Omicron Delta Kappa: Leadership;
Order of Omega: Greek Leadership;
PhI Alpha Theta: History;
Phi Eta Sigma: Freshmen;
Phi Sigma Tau: Philosophy;
Pi Mu Epsilon: Mathematics;
Pi Sigma Alpha: Political Science;
Psi Chi: Psychology.
Sigma Tau Delta: English;
Sigma Zeta Beta Mu: Science and Mathematics; and
Upsilon Pi Epsilon: Computer Science;

The greatest degree of symbolism is represented by the hood. The size and shape of the American hood marks the college degree attained by the wearer. The lining of the hood is indicative of the college from which the degree was granted. If more than one color is used, one color is generally arranged as a chevron upon the other. The velvet trim of the hood indicates the major field of knowledge.

Business Administration: Drab
Computer Science: Golden Yellow
Divinity / Theology: Scarlet
Dramatic Arts: Brown
Economics: Copper
Education: Light Blue
Engineering: Orange
English: White
Fine Arts: Brown
History: White
Humanities: White
Journalism: Crimson
J uris Prudence: Purple
Library Science: Lemon
Mathematics: Golden Yellow
Marine Science: Golden Yellow
Medicine: Kelly Green
Music: Pink
Speech: Silver Gray
Pharmacy: Olive Green
Philosophy: Dark Blue
Physical Education: Sage Green
Physics: Golden Yellow
Political Science: Dark Blue
Public Administration: Peacock Blue
Public Health: Salmon Pink
Science: Golden Yellow
Social Science: Citron

Most academic ceremonies begin and end with an academic procession. At Coastal Carolina University, candidates for degrees are first and process in the order in which the degrees will be bestowed, followed by the faculty, with senior professors first, and the platform party.
Gregory Krippel • Associate Professor of Accounting, finance and economics

Krippel was named the Distinguished Teacher of the Year for 2003, an annual honor presented by Coastal's Student Government Association to faculty who demonstrate excellence in teaching. He earned his Ph.D. from Florida State University in empirical financial research and was previously an assistant professor of accountancy at Auburn University before joining the Coastal faculty. He earned a bachelor's and a master's degree, both in business administration, from the University of Oklahoma.

Krippel is the incoming president of the S.C. Association of Accounting Educators and will host the 2004 meeting in Myrtle Beach. He is a member of the Accounting Information Systems Educators Association Board of Directors and vice president of the local chapter of Institute of Management Accountants.
Degrees in Course

The following list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported, and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. The listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that the person will, in fact, receive a degree from Coastal Carolina at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a student's name from this list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree. Honors for degree candidates are based on the collegiate grade point average on file at the time of application. Honors to be printed on the diplomas will be based on the final cumulative grade point average on all collegiate work.

Where indicated with an asterisk (*) the individual has completed all degree requirements and was awarded the degree in August 2003.

College of Education
Master of Education
Pascha Rae Anello *
Kary Lynn Berkey *
Deanna Christine Blessett *
Elissa Marie Buchta *
Rebecca Dawn Helms *
Michelle DeAn Hull *
John William MacNeish *
Lauren Beth Macon *
Frederick Hadlow Searles *
Katherine Rebecca Sawyer *
Natalie Dawn Prosser *
Mary Elizabeth Diggett Perry *
Erin Marie Nowak *
Lauren Beth Macon *
Michelle DeAn Hull *

Master of Arts in Teaching
Pascha Rae Anello *
Kary Lynn Berkey *
Deanna Christine Blessett *
Elissa Marie Buchta *
Rebecca Dawn Helms *
Michelle DeAn Hull *
John William MacNeish *
Lauren Beth Macon *
Frederick Hadlow Searles *
Katherine Rebecca Sawyer *
Natalie Dawn Prosser *
Mary Elizabeth Diggett Perry *
Erin Marie Nowak *
Lauren Beth Macon *
Michelle DeAn Hull *

College of Business Administration
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
Wafa Ahmed Al-Arayerd *
Jeffrey Michael Baker *
Thomas Jacob Baker *
Jeffrey Roger Benton *
Jeremy Dennis Blanton *
Natalie Frances Blyther *
Aneen Caffin + *
April Beth Campbell *
Anna Camps Margineda *
Cory David Carney *
Justin Ryan Charon *
Philip Michael Chirico *
Jordan Lyn Collins *
Christopher Robert Contorochick *
Jillian Kate Delano *
Abigail Burton Derr *
Michelle Rita DeSouza *
Robert William Doyle *
Matthew Eckert, III *
Griffin Carl Edmonds *
Kristy J. Eppolito *
Melissa Marie Gardner *
Robert William Geitner *
Jennifer Lawson George *
Joseph Charles Gill *
James Winfield Golladay, III *
Christina M. Gordon *
Kyle Martin Green *
Amie Noel Grutkowski *
Kenneth Harvey Habben, III *
Robert Wilson Hahn II *
Camilla Osk Hakonardottir *
Graham Donald Harpe *
Melanie Mary Harvey *
Christopher Michael Hertel *
Garry Lee Hetrick + * *
Nathan Hoffman *
Ryan Edward Horace *
Michael Leland Isaac *
Katie Elizabeth Johnson *
Matthew David Joyner +
John Clayton Kennedy *
Dale William Ketola *
Christopher Michael Kielar *
Samuel Benton Kirk *
Brian Edward Koldys *
John Andrew Koslowski *
Giedre Kripaite *
Brad A. Lazar ++ *
Kimberly Michelle Lee *
Alceia Eltrista Lyles *
Michael Ramsis Makar *
William James Mann *
Patrick Anthony Martin *
Jason Joseph Mattiello *
Christopher John McCurdy *
Sharon Lynn Middleton-McGhee *
George Ivanov Milchev *
Jeremy Allen Monday *
Melody Suzanne Moretz *
Susan Elizabeth Mullin *
Timothy J. Murray *
Matthew J. Nemes ++ *
Rashid M. Nemi *
Matthew Aaron Newman *
Kristina Elizabeth O'Neill *
Nissen David Osternack *
Jennifer Elizabeth Overholt *
Jared Branford Owen *
Robert David Palmer *
Casey Allen Paradise *
Carl N. Parrillo *
Shawn Joseph Passwaters *
Christa Anayln Pease *
Dawn Elizabeth Pelczar *
Amanda Leigh Phillips *
Lauren E. Poe *
Richard Anthony Prakash *
Kim Lundy Quick *
Miranda Lynn Ranalli *
Brian Francis Reynolds *
Justin Nicholas Rice *
Doneka Victoria Robinson *
Michael Earle Roden *
Christopher Evan Rose *
Manik Sachdeva *
Antonio Santos Ximenez *
Stephen John Schneider *
John Hay Scott *
Brian Michael Seiwert *
Jonathan Robert Sierak *
Vladimir Simovic + *
Ryan Thomas Spar *
Michael Christopher Springer *
Brett Hale Spurgeon *
Stephanie Lynn Stanley *
Michael Allen Starn *
William Anthony Stella *
Justin Scott Sterner *
Monika P. Thourani *
Tao Tong ++ *
Rodrigo Uribe-Guevara *
Thomas Allan Van Hoogen *
Bradley Robert Wall *
Matthew James Warfel *
Rhett Glenn Watford *
Amy Elizabeth Weathers *
Bryce Joseph Westcott *
Lenora Renee White *
Eva Lynne Williams *
Kellie Lynn Wood *
Lindsey Blair Worley *
Lauren Elizabeth Woznialk *
Amanda Cooper Wright *
John Creighton Yates *
DEGREES IN COURSE

College of Education
Bachelor of Arts in Education
Bachelor of Science in Education
Bachelor of Science in Physical Education

Jame Brook Adamson
Shirley Gilliard Armstrong
Corinne Elizabeth Baglo
Jessica Elizabeth Janet Barsisky*
Jolie Noelle Berry
Bradley Robert Booth
Anna Danielle Breedlove++
Emily Jane Burchett
Andia Elizabeth Benton Cook*
Stephen F. Corey*
Traci Dee Cowden+
Loretta Ann Cox++
Genessa Eventstar-Dawn
Donohue

James Robert Ihde
Jessica Leigh Hewett
Jody Ryan Giarrusso
Adam Atticus Frick
Jesse Colin Dow*
Amber Michelle McCracken
Jennifer Lynn Malcolm
Amy Renae Lebakken
Ashley Marie Lawson
Timothy Alexander Heilig, Jr.
Tonya Joy Hartley
Kimberly Brooke Garnett
Jody Ryan Giarrusso
Kristen Ivy Gibbons*
Tracey Jaye Green
Scott M. Hannon*
Tonya Joy Hartley
Timothy Alexander Heilig, Jr.
Jessica Leigh Hewett
James Robert Ihde
Kelli Ann Julg*
Gretchen Noelle Kauffman++
Joshua Guy Kempf*
Michael Bryan Keyser*
Megan Elizabeth King
Kelly Ann Kotula
Desira Delores Langley
Crystal Annette Lavinder
Ashley Marie Lawson
Amy Renae Lebakken
Scott Cameron Lepley*
Melissa Lynn Lewis+
Eric Andrew Maciszak*
Carian Maddock
Jennifer Lynn Malcolm
Amber Michelle McCracken
Abby Ruth McDowell++
Todd Richard McGlamery
Teressa Thomas McQueen
Karen Lynn Mott
Mary Patricia Nance

Brandy Nichole Norton+
Elizabeth Hall Pauley
Morgan Elizabeth Phillips++
Tanya Michelle Prack*
Thomas William Puckhaber
Angela Denise Redmond
Stuart Allen Riddle*
John Edward Riley, III*
Cassidy Amber Robertson
Jessica Joyce Rollinitis
Lisa Lyn Ross*
Brian Keith Shannon
Philip Charles Snyder
Lori Kathryn Streitmatter*
Tabitha Marie Strickland
Angela Susan Testino
Keith Dennis Tickner
Calvin Rodney Waters, III*
Danielle Reed Watson+
James Todd Webb
Belinda Magdalena Weltz
Kimberley Patricia Weselak++*
Amy Michele Williams
Caroline Whitney Wright*

John Francis Curran*
Kathleen Mary Cush
Robert O'Neil Davidson, Jr.
Randall Will Duncan*
Derek Thomas Ebbitt*
Nicholas William Essig*
Abigail Jane Everett
Dennis Micah Fowler
Brian Michael Geeseman
Mara Beth Giesecke
Paul Thomas Griiffin
Daniel Jeff Grigg
Jennifer Lynn Hess +
Russell Reed Hines+
Timothy Paul Inman
Candice Lynn James*
Tasheta Latrice Jones
Stacey Haga Kirk
Jeffrey Robert LaRocque
Amy Elizabeth LaValley*
Ieshia Irene Lawrence
Pamala Christine Lowery
Albert Edward McCormick, Jr.*
Bradley Milton McNeill
Aubrey Trent Melvin
Amanda Cecelia Minor
James Christopher Moore, II
Jason Taylor Moore
Aaryn Tia Munson++
Michael Boyd Nelson
Fred Bryant Newby Jr.
James A. Phillips
Katie Marie Pliszka
Thomas Jeffrey Ripke
Derrick James Robinson
Jeremy Stace Roof
Nicole Lynne Silimperi+
Robin Lynn Sirtt*
Mathew Peter Sklarow
Laurie Ann Smith-Shene
Stephanie Leigh Spivey
Robert Joseph Suskevich
Morgan Waites Tolleson++
Jacquelyn Rebekah Vereen
Nicholas John Villamaino
Stefeny Lynn Wackerly
Nicholas Charles Watson
Daniel J. West
Charles Blair Whyte*
Matthew William Wood
Rebecca Jessica Wright

Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Bachelor of Arts
Fredrick James Ackerman++*
Melissa Addison
Monica Gail Altman
Susanne Vanessa Ambrose*
Alice Elizabeth Anthony
Frank Joseph Ardo
Daniel Joseph Arnot*
Elizabeth Ann Baker*
Amie B. Barr*
William Carland Caldwell
Beckham
Yosi Ben Ezra
John Patrick Beverly
Brandie Faith Strickland
Carlucci+
Christie M. Catropa++
Christopher Roy Clark
Brooks Dorothy Collins
Christian Rae Collins
Russell Tilden Cope*
Dorothy Jean Covington
Charles Cameron Grant
Crawford
Candace Francesca
Cunningham

College of Natural and Applied Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

Peter Paul Anderson*
Whitney Granger Ard
Elizabeth June Arnold
Betty Asher
Benjamin Edwin Attella
Rachel Ann Avant
Brett Stevens Baker
Jessica Elizabeth Janet Barsisky*
Jessica Ann Barley
Jolene Reagan Barrett
Monica Shileen Beach
James Derek Bell
Carrie Elizabeth Bigsrove
Adam Robert Bockhorst
Bijoy Bose*
Jennifer Denise Britt++
Eoghain John Byrt+
Allison Carter++*
Katherine Elizabeth Glwa++*
Kenneth Russell Cole, III*
James Christian Collins
Curtis Noah Cooper
Triza Cox
Kelly Lynne Craddock*
Leigh Taylor Crawford
Tiffany Natasha Dziuba
Brooke Jean Elliott
Daniel Keith Embrey
Scott A. Evans
Christopher Matthew Feist
Jason Allan Ferrante
Thomas Marino Fontana
Jennifer Anne Foss
Lynn H. Fox
Brandon Troy Frenley
Diana Lynn Frolal
Jay Dustin Fugett
Jason A. Garwood
Samuel J. Gary, Jr.
Denister Hamer Gibbs*
Stacey Marie Gibson
Jessica Yvonne Greene
Elizabeth Ann Gunter
Kunal Gupta++*
Darlene Michele Haines*
Christina Marie Hanks
Heather Erin Harper+
Melinda Megan Harvey
Mareal Hemingway*
Sandra Lanell Henson
Angela Dawn Hines++
DEGREES IN COURSE

Heather Lynne Hoskins
Victor Aundrey Hough *
Shannon Doah Hughes *
Takenya Tecadrian Hunter
Emily Jane Hutchison
Clara Safieh Izadi
Kendall Pettigrew Joseph
Michael Christopher Kaminsky *
Colin Thomas Kane *
Surbhi Kapoor
Ian Franklin Kennedy *
Laura Wagner King *
Amber Elizabeth Kinsey *
Kara Marie Koppel + + + *
Laney Caroline Lewis *
Tanya Wenoya Livingston
Andrea Louise Lukenchuk
Nikia Shamon Mack
Sean Lawrence Mahoski
Selena Scaley Mann +
Melissa Ann Mathis *
Ashley Mauldin
Eleanor Lockett Mauldin *
Kirsten Kay McGlothlin *
Amber Leanne McGuire *
Cylinda Marie Meinhardt
Laura Michelle Mello *
George Ivanov Milchev *
Catherine Ellen Moses
Kara Marie Moulton
Joseph Mpumelelo Ngwenya
Christopher George Ocker + *
Charlotte Ashley Pace
Jose Adam Padilla *
Jacob Gabriel Paris +
Deidre Jannell Parmley + +
Danya Rochelle Pase
George Bernard Penzenik *
Charles Medlock Proctor
Brandon Marie Rees
Sean Wallace Richardson
Juliene Marie Ritchey
Yelena A. Rose +
Michael Sakelaris *
Neha Saxena *
Jay Allen Schacher
Delanie Michelle Schroder *
Arjun Sethi *
Margaret A. Sexton +
Andrew John Shuler + +
Deeni Hilda Simon *
Elizabeth Joyce Smith
Matthew Baxter Smith *
James Ray Snell
Morgan Vern Snow *
Nicholas Alan Sprague
DeLeutra Joi Staley
Sandra H. Stigant + *
Aja Marianne Talbot *
Daniel Edward Timmons, Jr. *
Jason Ray Whiteside *
Cassie Marilyn Willis *
Amanda Marie Windsor + +
Leann Jennifer Winn

Interdisciplinary Studies

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies

Angela Rosati Barwick
Shaneen Karen Cohen
Tennille Katrice Collins *
Joy Donna Couch
Elizabeth Ashmore
Faulkenberry *
Karen Anita Frye *
Tyoka Davis Grissett
Timothy Bob Harrison

John Patrick Henry, Jr.
Helen Pearl Horne
Fred Arlington Kisner, III
Tina Marie Maddox McKenzie
Morgan Cummins O'Banion *
Jennifer Rose Payson *
Robert Ryan Powers *
Stephanie Marie Stone Richardson
Eric Robert Rounds
Kimberley Renee Tarver Ryerson
Maryjo Schmick
Carmela Catherine Spain *
Jason Gabriel Williams *
Seth Adam Williams *
Walter R. Wysk, Jr. *

KEY

+++ Summa cum Laude
A collegiate GPA of 4.0

++ Magna cum Laude
A collegiate GPA of 3.75 to 3.999

+ Cum Laude
A collegiate GPA of 3.5 to 3.749

* August 2003 Graduate
The University Seal
The seal of Coastal Carolina University designates the founding year of the institution and associates the campus symbol, the Atheneum, with the coastal locale of the University. Carrying the Latin motto - Ex Libertate Veritas, From Liberty, Truth - the seal refers to the Temple of Athene in ancient Athens where professors and students came together. The Greek temple was named for Athena, the daughter of Zeus, who embodies wisdom and reason. The waves at the foot of the Atheneum acknowledge a diversified coastal environment encompassing a distinctive geography and history, a vital present, and an abundant future. The seal was commissioned by Trustee Oran P. Smith as a gift to celebrate the July 1, 1993, establishment of the University as an independent, public institution of higher education.

The University Logo
The identifying symbol of Coastal Carolina University captures the dynamic and traditional commitment of the University to teaching and learning. The Atheneum, constructed on the campus in 1966, is a recognized architectural symbol of a meeting place for persons engaged in literary and scientific pursuits. In the logo, the Atheneum is set against an undulating background which captures the energy and unbounded promise of the institution, and is always positioned above the institutional typeface.

The Presidential Medallion
As symbols of events and affiliations, medallions in academic regalia can be traced to religious orders during the Middle Ages. Since many orders, societies and universities used similar designs - a circle, cross or an oval - the detailed artwork in the center of the medallion was adopted to differentiate each affiliation. Colleges and universities traditionally use ceremonial and commemorative medallions for formal occasions such as commencements, convocations and inaugurations, when academic regalia is worn. To commemorate Coastal Carolina's status as an independent University, the institution's medallion was commissioned in 1994. The installation of President Ronald R. Ingle on October 22, 1994, was the first time the Coastal Carolina University Medallion was publicly displayed.

The University Mace
The University mace, the symbol of the Coastal Carolina University community, attaches significance to important events of the academic calendar. Commissioned by the Horry County Higher Education Commission, the mace was designed and crafted by silversmith Alfred D. Ward and presented to the University in the spring of 1997. The mace is carried during official convocations of the University by the senior member of the faculty. When not being used for a convocation, the mace is on display in the boardroom of the E. Craig Wall, Sr. College of Business Administration.

The three dimensional 48-inch staff is topped with a 22 carat gold-plate model of the campus symbol, the Atheneum. Modified relief seals of the University and engraved lettering embellish the sterling silver cup. Supported by a base of solid walnut, the stem of the mace is adorned with sterling silver shells, reflecting the coastal location of the University. On the base of the stem is an engraved seal of the state of South Carolina, representing the University's status as a public institution.

Originally used as weapons during the Middle Ages, maces came to be viewed as symbols of authority and were adopted by officials of English municipalities by the end of the 16th century. Maces are now used for legislative assemblies, ecclesiastical processions, and at college and university ceremonies of outstanding importance, such as commencements.
1954 On the evening of July 23, 1954, a group of citizens meets in the Horry County Memorial Library to discuss a daring proposal—the creation of a local college. The group soon becomes a nonprofit organization, the Coastal Educational Foundation, Inc. Coastal Carolina Junior College opens September 20, 1954, as a branch of the College of Charleston. Fifty-three students are enrolled, taught by a handful of part-time faculty, with classes meeting after hours in Conway High School.

1958 Coastal Carolina Junior College becomes independent when College of Charleston discontinues its extension program. Horry County voters approve a referendum which raises taxes by three mills to provide funding for the college.

1959 The South Carolina General Assembly creates the Horry County Higher Education Commission, a government regulatory agency to oversee use of Coastal Carolina's county tax money.

1960 The Horry County Higher Education Commission is responsible for a contract that establishes Coastal Carolina Regional Campus of the University of South Carolina, effective fall 1960.

1961 Members of the Horry County Higher Education Commission and Coastal Educational Foundation, Inc., agree it is time to move to a campus suitable for institutional growth. They select the present site of the University, most of which was donated by Burroughs Timber Company and International Paper Company. A major fund-raising drive raises $317,000 for construction.

1962 Ground is broken for the campus and less than a year later Coastal Carolina's 110 students move into the first campus building, the Edward M. Singleton Building.

1966 With an idea and a gift from William A. Kimbel and L. Maud Kimbel, the Athenaeum, the campus symbol, is completed.

1973 USC Coastal Carolina College adds a junior year; in 1974, a fourth year is added.

1975 USC Coastal Carolina College awards its first four-year degree.

1981 Wheelwright Auditorium, the first center for the performing arts in northeast South Carolina, is dedicated. The $3.1 million facility is funded almost entirely by private donations, including a $1.2 million gift from the Kimbel family. The facility is named for L. Maud Kimbel's maternal grandfather, John Wheelwright, who was involved with the cotton trade in South Carolina in the early 1900s.

1987 The first on-campus residence halls open.

1989 Enrollment reaches more than 4,000 students. The number of full-time faculty grows to 175.

1990 The Campaign for Progress surpasses its goal of $5.5 million in fewer than five years, spurring growth in capital projects, the arts, and academic enrichment programs.

1991 On July 23, 1991, the Coastal Educational Foundation, Inc., and the Horry County Higher Education Commission vote to seek legislative approval to establish an independent Coastal Carolina University. USC System President John Palms recommends to the USC Board of Trustees that Coastal pursue independence from the University in name and administration. The trustees adopt President Palms' recommendation in June 1992.

1993 The South Carolina Legislature passes legislation establishing Coastal Carolina University as an independent, public institution, effective July 1, 1993. Governor Carroll Campbell signs the bill during a ceremony at Coastal Carolina on May 14, 1993. The University's first Board of Trustees meets for the first time July 1, 1993. Ronald R. Ingle is named the University's first president. Coastal Carolina University begins offering its first graduate programs in education in the fall of 1993. The E. Craig Wall Sr. School of Business Administration Building is completed and dedicated in honor of Mr. Wall, who was one of the University's original founders.

1994 The Eldred E. Prince Building, funded by the Horry County Higher Education Commission, is completed and dedicated. New projects include plans for a humanities building, residence hall/dining facility, athletic administration complex, printing services facility and renovations to existing buildings. The University's first formal Inauguration is held to install President Ingle.

1996 A new 400-bed residence hall and dining facility is completed for fall 1996 occupancy; the number of students who live in campus residence halls reaches 1,000. President Ingle unveils a $68 million campus master plan that will guide development of the University to the 50th anniversary of the institution, to be celebrated in the year 2004.

1997 The Board of Trustees adopts A Journey of Excellence, a plan to guide the University into the next century. The South Carolina General Assembly approves $11.7 million for the new Humanities and Fine Arts Building.

1998 The R. Cathcart Smith Science Center is dedicated, and a $2 million campaign to upgrade the facility is announced. Coastal Carolina offers baccalaureate degree programs in 36 major fields of study through its four academic schools, graduate programs in education, and seven cooperative programs with other South Carolina universities. The E. Craig Wall Sr. School of Business Administration gains accreditation by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.
1999  The South Carolina General Assembly approves the final
funding for the new Humanities and Fine Arts Building. Nobel
Laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu visits the campus as part of the
Kimbel Distinguished Lecturer Series. The School of Education
gains accreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of
Teacher Education. The Board of Trustees approves the sale of re-
venue bonds to begin construction of a 350-bed residence hall, expan-
sion of the dining facility and University Hall. Football will be added
to the intercollegiate mix in 2003; with football, the University will
offer 17 NCAA Division I intercollegiate programs.

2000  To reflect the growth of academic programs and the maturity
of the institution, the four academic schools of the University are
renamed colleges. The College of Humanities and Fine Arts is named for
Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards. A statewide awareness campaign
bolsters the University's visibility. The University endowment tops $12
million, reflecting a more than 300 percent increase since 1993; the total
number of donors increases by 17 percent in the past year.

2001  University enrollment increases to almost 5,000 students from
47 states and 50 countries. The average SAT for entering freshmen tops
the national average. New degree programs are approved for Middle
Grades Education, Music, Philosophy, Spanish and Special Education. A
major construction boom is highlighted by the opening and formal dedi-
cation of the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities
and Fine Arts, the largest building on campus. A $1.8 million gift from
the estate of Rebecca Randall Bryan marks the largest single cash gift in
Coastal Carolina's history. In collaboration with the Georgetown com-

community, the University brings the Freedom Schooner Amistad to
Georgetown. The Amistad attracts more than 16,000 visitors, including
more than 8,000 school children from Horry and Georgetown counties.

2002  The University's enrollment rises to a record of nearly
6,000 students. A baccalaureate degree program is offered in
Management-International Tourism. The first class of recruits for the
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2003  The fall enrollment of 6,780 students is the largest in the
University's history and, for the first time, applicants represent all 50
states. Coastal offers baccalaureate degrees in 36 programs, 33 under-
graduate minors, and master's degree programs in education, includ-
ing a master's of education in Educational Technology, a master's degree
in Coastal Marine and Wetland Studies. Opportunities for
international study are established with 17 institutions in countries
including Australia, Costa Rica, England, Ecuador, Galapagos Islands,
Germany, India, Japan, Kenya and Russia. The University anticipates
its anniversary in 2004 with plans for the 50th Anniversary Initiatives,
an ambitious campaign to raise private funds to support the academic,
physical and athletic needs of the University. A $1.5 million gift from
Burroughs & Chapin Company, Inc., is announced to support the construc-
tion of an education and research facility at the University's Waites Island/Tilghman Point property. A $2 million gift from Loris
native Bob Brooks marks the largest single gift in the history of Coastal
Carolina and places the Brooks name on the new football stadium.

More than 8,000 fans pack Brooks Stadium on Sept. 6 for the inaug-
ural game for the Chanticleer NCAA I-AA football squad.
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WE COME TO YOU TO LEAD OUR SEARCH,
AND LEARN TO REACH BEYOND OURSELVES –
BELOW THE EARTH, BEYOND THE STARS –
TO FORM OUR DREAMS FOR BETTER YEARS.

HERE, GREEN AND BRONZE IN NATURE; LIGHT –
SWEET PINE FORESTS THAT SURROUND US,
OCEAN WATERS THAT SUSTAIN US –
REFLECT YOUR STANDARDS THAT PREPARE US.

MAY WE RETURN IN THOUGHT AND CARE
TO SHARE YOUR PROMISE OF ENRICHMENT,
AND CELEBRATE AND SING OUR PRAISE
FOR COASTAL CAROLINA.

BENNIE LEE SINCLAIR

The Coastal Carolina University Alma Mater was written in 1994 by Bennie Lee Sinclair, Poet Laureate of South Carolina, to commemorate the first year of the institution's status as a university.

The original score for the Alma Mater was written by William R. Hamilton, Coastal Carolina University music professor.