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; lights we 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 the late Bennie Lee Sinclair, the fifth 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 in 1994 by Coastal Carolina University emeritus professor William R. Hamilton. "Coastal Carolina" was first performed at the Inauguration of the University’s first president, Ronald R. Ingle, on October 22, 1994.
ORDER OF EXERCISES

Presiding: David A. DeCenzo, Coastal Carolina University President

Processional
Pomp and Circumstance
Sir Edward Elgar
Coastal Carolina University Brass Quintet
Matthew Shrewsbury, Director

Presentation of Colors
Coastal Carolina University Army ROTC

Star Spangled Banner
John Stafford Smith/Francis Scott Key
arr. James Tully
Coastal Carolina University Chamber Choir
Frances T. Sinclair, Director

Invocation
Preston McKeiver-Floyd
Assistant Professor, Philosophy and Religious Studies

Welcome and Acknowledgments
David A. DeCenzo
President
D. Wyatt Henderson '98
Chairman, Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

Things That Never Die
arr. Dengler
Coastal Carolina University Chamber Choir

University Distinctions
David A. DeCenzo

Introduction of Speaker
Carlos Jenkins
Class of 2011

Address
Pierre J. Thuot
Honorary Degree Recipient

Conferring of Honorary Degree
David A. DeCenzo
Pierre J. Thuot, Doctor of Public Service
Presented by Oran P. Smith
Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

Ushers
Today’s ushers are students representing the Wheelwright Student Staff, Coastal Carolina University Student Alumni Ambassadors, Wall Fellows, Leadership Challenge and Omicron Delta Kappa.
ORDER OF EXERCISES

Conferring of Degrees in Course

David A. DeCenzo
Robert J. Sheehan
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs

J. Ralph Byington
Dean, E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration

Edward Jadallah
Dean, Spadoni College of Education

Daniel J. Ennis
Interim Dean, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Michael H. Roberts
Vice President of Research and Emerging Initiatives and Dean, College of Science

Nelljean M. Rice
Dean, University College
Interdisciplinary Studies

Greetings from Alumni Association

Brian D. Forbus ’97
President, Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association

Alma Mater

Coastal Carolina University Chamber Choir
Coastal Carolina University Brass Quintet

Benediction

Preston McKeever-Floyd

Recessional

Voluntary by Henry Purcell

Coastal Carolina University Brass Quintet

Faculty Announcer
Preston McKeever-Floyd, Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religion

Student Marshals

Jimmy Turnmeyer, Bearer of University Banner
Kimberley Parker-Jackson, Graduate Studies
Corey Lengyel, E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration
Kimberly Cooper, Spadoni College of Education
Brandon Reilly, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts
Marguerite Maria Casil, College of Science
Ly L. Pham, University College
PIERRE J. THUOT • Doctor of Public Service

As a NASA astronaut Captain Pierre J. Thuot logged more than 650 hours in space, orbiting the Earth 437 times and participating in three space walks. He was born in 1955 in Groton, Conn., and grew up in Fairfax, Va., and New Bedford, Mass. He earned a bachelor’s degree in physics from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1977 and a master’s degree in systems management from the University of Southern California in 1985. He graduated from the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program in 2004.

After Naval Flight Officer training, Thuot trained as a Radar Intercept Officer and served in the Mediterranean and Caribbean seas aboard the USS John F. Kennedy and the USS Independence. He attended the Navy Fighter Weapons School (TOPGUN), and he was a project test flight officer at the Naval Air Test Center, flying the F-14A Tomcat, A-6E Intruder and the F-4J Phantom II. He has more than 3,500 flight hours in some 50 different aircraft and has made 270 carrier landings.

Thuot joined NASA in June 1985. On his first flight, he was a mission specialist on the crew of the Space Shuttle Atlantis, which launched from the Kennedy Space Center in February 1990. Following 72 orbits of the Earth in 106 hours, the mission concluded with a lakebed landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California after traveling 1.87 million miles.

Thuot was a mission specialist on the maiden voyage of the Space Shuttle Endeavour, which launched from the Kennedy Space Center in May 1992. During the mission, Thuot participated in three space walks that resulted in the capture and repair of a stranded communications satellite and broke a 20-year old record for the longest space walk. The 11-day mission concluded with a landing at Edwards Air Force Base after orbiting the Earth 141 times in 213 hours and traveling 3.7 million miles.

On March 4, 1994, Thuot boarded the Columbia for a microgravity science and technology demonstration mission. More than 60 experiments or investigations were conducted in many scientific and engineering disciplines including materials science, human physiology, biotechnology, protein crystal growth, robotics, structural dynamics, atmospheric ozone monitoring and spacecraft glow. The 5.8 million-mile mission concluded on March 18, 1994, after orbiting the Earth 224 times in 13 days, 23 hours and 16 minutes.

Thuot left NASA in 1995 to serve as associate chairman of the Aerospace Engineering Department at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. He retired from the Navy in 1998. He is currently manager of Aerospace Programs Assessments at Whitney Bradley.

His awards include two Defense Superior Service Medals, three NASA Space Flight Medals, two NASA Exceptional Service Medals and seven NASA Group Achievement Awards.

Thuot is married to the former Cheryl Ann Mattingly of Leonardtown, Md. They live in Maryland and have two children: Christopher (20), a U.S. Marine, and Danielle (17).
DEGREES IN COURSE

E. Craig Wall Sr.
College of Business Administration

Master of Accountancy
Volha Shabeka
Todd Richard Thibodeau
Jacob Scott Vanlandingham
Brentan Ryan Vivian

Master of Business Administration
Olga Valeryevna Aguilar
Jana Lynn Clem
Paige Caulder Cribb*
Christen Noel Dail
Constance Ruth David
Johannes C. Frederking
John Lee Hardesty
Brittany Kay Hite
Jeffrey Allen Keeler*
Christopher Donald Miller
Hang Thuy Nguyen
Andeeena Kristeen Oxley*
Christopher Carl Peavy
Nicholas Ridley Peters
Radostina Marinova Petkova
Frances K. Richmond*
James Brandon Sessions*
Bryce Alden Skipper
Andrew Ellis Whalley

Spadoni College of Education

Master of Arts in Teaching
Katrina Aleksa*
Michael Francis Baker*
Patrick Alan Best
Lara Blake*
Audrey Faye Browne
Ashley Buchanan*
Michael David Crouch*
Kelly A. Danford*
Timothy Lee Donaldson
Gregory Lavon Dukes*
Andrea Teuber Dunne*
Janella Givens*
Fallon B. Goodson Jr.*
Jolene Marguerite Gorcesky*
Lisa Dale Griffis
Kent Monroe Harper
Samantha Marie Harter
Monica Rae Haun*
Jared Martin Hendrix*
Valerie Herstatt*
Devin Erica Hughes*
Krystal Nicole Showers Kiser*
Shawn Ryan Kosienksi*
Ashley Kunkleman*
Jamie Thompson Langston
Heather Rae Levine*
Anthony Ludvig*
Samantha Anne Marcott
Holly E. McKnight*
Michael Patrick McShane*
Katherine Elizabeth Meade*
Ashley Nicole Moore*
Emma Catherine O’Brien-Gayes*
Jamie Ashley Page*
Marc Steven Perciario*
Shanice Amelia Pinckney*
John Paul Puccinelli Jr.*
Kandace Corrine Quinter*
Jalisa Renea Richardson*
Kristen Gleason Sandor*
Lauren Marie Siewert-Schipper*
Mary Kathleen Sloan*
Windom William Spivey
Brandie Faith Strickland*
Katelyn Turner*
Laura Lynn Walcott*
Danielle Antonia Watson*
Shane Allen Watson*
Charli Danielle Watts*
Whitney Nicole Wierzbicki*
Brandon Allan Yancey*

Master of Education

Kristin Diane Altman
Terra Christine Altman
Angela Marie Archambault
Andrew Christopher Baeli
James Douglas Bailey Jr.
Meredith Darenne Baldwin
Andrew John Ball
David Bialousow*
Ashley Anne Brinson
Jennifer Mary Butkus
Linda Susan Cheers Callender*
Heather Ann Reynolds Cook
Londa Glenise Cross
Heather Dawn Daminov*
Diane White Davis
Macie Davis
Brandon McKee Day
Melanie Brandt Dozier
Morgan Reneé Emsley
Marcia Louise Ford
Regina Smith Geiger
Sabrina Lynn Huggins Gibbs
Lenore Moran Ginder
Christina Wall Harrelson
Jay David Hartley III
Willie Chad Hawks*
Andolyn Dell Bradley
Hernndon
Jennifer E. Holman
Leslie Sellers Huggins*
Carleta Scott Isreal
Shamara Steele Kinlaw
Kevin Eugene Martel
Marjorie A. Martin*
Gwenette McCray
Thomas William McMahon
Doreen Anna Miranda
Dorothy Leslie Mueller
Renee Jean Rasmer
Jeremy Johns Rich
Casey Elaine Roberts
Patricia Barfield Boisjoly
Robinson
William Logan Robinson Sr.
Anthony Douglas Scorsone
Rita Lewis Smith
Robert Pasquale Spino Jr.
Bradley David Todd
Brandon David Todd
Teresa Kelley Todd*
Olga G. Toggas*
Damon Allen Viele*
Jason M. Weese*
Eric David Wright

summa cum laude
A cumulative GPA of 4.0

magna cum laude
A cumulative GPA of 3.75 to 3.999

cum laude
A cumulative GPA of 3.5 to 3.749

*August 2011 Graduate

The 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 University 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 cumulative grade point average on file at the time of application. Honors to be printed on the diplomas will be based on the final Coastal Carolina University cumulative grade point average.

Where indicated with an asterisk (*) the individual has completed all degree requirements and was awarded the degree in August 2011.
DEGREES IN COURSE

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

Master of Arts
Matthew Wayne Fowler

College of Science

Master of Science
Julie Elizabeth Barker
Meredith Penland Bayer*
Laura Lynn Canton*
Kathryn Leigh Eyring
Sarah Elizabeth Gardner
Nicholas Kristopher Henke
Julie Waneta Murphy
Ryan Christopher Reed
Susan Michele Shaw
Danielle Rae Nicole Tarpley

E. Craig Wall Sr.
College of Business Administration

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Giuseppe Attilio Acampora*
Emily Elizabeth Acree*
Michelle Marie Adam*
Julian William Addison*
Stephen Derek Adkins*
Felicia A. Aiken*
Brittany Quintara Akins
Sean Wesley Aldrich*
Ashton Strickland Alfard
Nicholas Peter Anagnost III*
Joseph Andre Anderson
Alton L. Baker
Brian Patrick Barsuhn
Jeanmarie Basel
Danielle Brooke Basham*
Meagan Angell Beall*
Evan Thomas Beard*
Ernest Brian Beaver Jr.*
Ethan Thomas Bell
Daniel Eric Bengtson
Ryan David Berdnik
Andrew Emil Berks*
Crystal Evon Bessant*
Paige Nicole Blankenship
- magna cum laude
Kristen Noel Blumenauer
Jeffrey Scott Boley
Peter Guidal Bosotti*
Amber Tiniaka Bouie
Earl Hopkins Bozarth
Stephen Joseph Brandt*
Blair Michelle Bratcher*
- cum laude
Ashley Helena Broome
Ikeiyah Elaine Brown*
Ryan Scott Brown
- magna cum laude
Nathan Wentworth Buck*
Andrew Thomas Burke
Shanikqua Marie Calhoun
Elena I. Cannon
Anthea Jean Capella
Jessica Rose Carroll
Luis A. Castrat
- magna cum laude
Richard Dwayne Cayonne
Hannah Fenwick Cherner*
Horace Maynard Clark V
William K. Patrick Clem
- cum laude
Megan Eileen Cody*
Jami Bree Colonna
Roosevelt A.D. Corbett
William Brent Corbett*
Patrick Martin Crow*
- magna cum laude
Megan Ashley Csuka*
Larry Keon Cunningham Jr.*
Randolph Digges Darden III*
Charles L. Decker III
Cynthia Marie Dodd*
Kenneth Christopher Donovan
Samuel Joseph Dorman
Corianne Alysa Dorough*
Jacob Gregory Downey
- magna cum laude
Michael Alfred Dufresne*
Ryan Kyle Duncan*
- cum laude
Jessica Ann Dupee*
- magna cum laude
Charissa Amanda Ilona
Ehrhardt*
- magna cum laude
Gabrielle Nicole Erhardt*
Andrew Mark Ernst
Paul Benjamin Fastenau
Chad Michael Ferguson
Amanda Santella Ferreira
Glenn Matthew Fletcher*
Alyssa F. Flores*
Mary Caroline
Flowers-Williamson
David Wayne Floyd Jr.*
David Robert Flynn
Adam Carl Folk
Marcus Joseph Fonzone*
Jasmine Lee Ford
Cameron Scott Freeman
Nicholas Julian Gage
Nicola Marie Gagne*
Shadonna Latisha Gainey
Michael James Gareri*
Matthew Robert Geitner
Howard Durrell Gifford*
Kevin Michael Gleason
Emily Elizabeth Goff*
Joseph Gilbert Golden Jr.*
Jonas Michael Goldman*
Matthew Stephen Gordon
- cum laude
Kaitlyn Marie Grady*
- magna cum laude
Destiny Shairdaya Greene*
Danny Eugene Grimsley
Joshua Douglas Hamby
Gennifer Gale Hardee
Kelly Kathleen DiMarco Harer
Lindsay Jean Harvey*
Corey James Hawkins
Cyprian Ntvinjock Hedrick
Todd Joseph Henrich*
Sarah Louise Herbaugh
Courtney Alexandra Hinson*
- cum laude
Lauren Elizabeth Hocker
Dexter Louis Holman
Kristen Renee Huffstetler
Vondeeshia Nicole Humphries*
Joseph Jason Hutchison Jr.*
Victoria C. Ijem
Eliza James Jagger
Bailey Marie Janke
Cory Marcus Johnson*
Oddur Oli Jonasson
- magna cum laude
Ralph H. Jones*
Matthew David Jordan
Colin Alexander Keane
Kevin Joseph Keelen*
Joshua Stephen Keener
Kristy Diane Kellam
Hannah Chi-hee Kim
Daniel Joseph Kleps
Timothy John Klug*
Dimetrois Kostarelos
DEGREES IN COURSE

Spadoni College of Education

Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Arts in Education

Bachelor of Science in Physical Education

David Henry Kullenberg
- cum laude
Michael James LaBaugh*
- magna cum laude
Aaron Mark LaBrode
Michael Mackenzie Lance*
Brittany Joyce LeClair*
Alan Lee
Dej'lon Lamar Lee
Charles Benjamin Leonhardt IV*
Austin A. Leopold
Jacob B. Lewis*
- cum laude
Joseph David Licera
Chui Y. Liu
Zachary Michael Lobeger*
- magna cum laude
Nicholas Joseph Louro
Ashley Nicole Lozupone*
Hayley B. Lubkeman
Aaron Michael Ludwig
Erica Lynn Maehr*
Kyle Patrick Mahan*
Miche Fazlin Mangera
Samantha Lee Mann
Tyler Kevin Mann
Megan E. Manter
Jeffrey Brian Marthins Jr.
Bri Alanna-Christian Martinez
Christopher Robert McBeex*
James V. McCallum Jr.*
Christopher Darnell McCoy*
Brendan Slater McHugh
Michael John McShane*
Michael J. Mensone*
John Alexander Mikula
Torcy Siedah Mishoe
- cum laude
Thomas William Monahan*
Mark Benson Monjeau*
Lauren Elizabeth Moore
Regina Nazirova
Courtney May Newberg
Jessica Lynn Niepokoj
- magna cum laude
Ryan Campbell Norwood
Jonathan Anthony Nuzzi
Sarah Paige Oakley
- cum laude
Ronald Francis Pacetti Jr.
- cum laude
Jarut Padungsiriseth
- cum laude
Patrick O'Neil Parent
Karen Lindsey Pavlick*
- cum laude
Ryan Richard Pawlowski
Abigail Lynn Payne
- cum laude
Mihkaela Victoria Perez
Sierra Nicole Petrowski
Arica Linn Pilck*
Kristina Renee Plaster*
Andrew David Plude
Karina Eileen Policy
Richard F. Pompa III
Carolyn Marie Preciado*
- cum laude
Megan Elizabeth Preis
James Edward Quigley IV*
Tricia Lynn Raymond
Savannah Elise Rham
- cum laude
Kathryn J. Rice*
Shaun Justin Riley
Sean Francis Risher*
Daniel Hallick Robbins
Adam Christopher Robertson
Michael Christopher Romano
Colleen Marie Rush
William Bradley Russell
Spencer David Rutt*
Roslyn Beth Sakowitz
- cum laude
Lindsey Blair Sanderson*
Brandon James Sarvis*
- magna cum laude
Nicole June Scaduto
Jessica Schoepfel
Anthony Darnell Shank*
Charles Roland Sherman*
Bryant Daryl Shewmaker
Julie Rae Shoaf*
Lindsay Jo Silveri*
Hannah Elizabeth Simcox*
Ira Jordan Sisk*
Charles Terril Sitton
- cum laude
Emily Dawn Skibinski
Michael Anthony Smith
Alyson Frances Smolenski*
Jeffrey Smolar Jr.
Deon Jamal Snider
Lauren Ashley Sojko*
Justin Michael Joseph Spinelli*
Brandon Allen Stacks
Joel Lenwood Stark
Jordan Lee Steljes
John Thomas Stephan Jr.
Stephen Coady Stern
Olesya Sergeyevna Stevens*
Brittany Nicole Stroud
- magna cum laude
Ashley Ann Suver*
Michael Charles Tompkins*
Dominique Darron Trapp*
Adam Uzan
TriSha LaBelle Vereen
Erica Danielle Wade
Allie Nicole Wallis*
Brittani S. Washington
Andrew Barnett Wells*
Ryan D. Wilk*
Jamie DeLane Wildes
Thomas Vicente Williams
Michael Donovan Winpilger*
Ekaterina Yuryevna Yeazel*
Sharonda Incencia Young

Spadoni College of Education

Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Arts in Education

Bachelor of Science in Physical Education

Delia Fredricka Sade Abson
Christie Joanne Boll
Brooke Elizabeth Brammer
- magna cum laude
Jamie Lynn Coppa
Phillip Blake Culbertson
Alexa Michelle Davis
Jennifer Lynn Dawson
Jadelyn Rose DeNapoli
Nicole Lynn D’Onghia
Jaclyn Anne Eutzy
Lindsey Joy Fender
Jessica Ann Fram
- magna cum laude
Amy Grace Gamble
Kelly Marie Giachinta
- cum laude
Leslie Hicks Gore
- magna cum laude
Yolanda Latoya Gore
Arenthia Lovett Bright Gray
Lauren Jaye Grochowski
Ashley Nichole Heintzelman
- magna cum laude
Kevin Michael Helmer
- cum laude
Kenya Keeshea Hill
Kayla Kristine Hinson
- magna cum laude
Joni Lee Jackson*
Carlos Develle Jenkins
- magna cum laude
Shannon Nicole Kirby
Deserae Marie Layton
- cum laude
Tanasia Renee’ Lee
- summa cum laude
Laura Kelsey Litzenberger
Mary Alice Ludlow
- cum laude
Ashley Elizabeth McDonnell
Dekayla Danielle McFadden
Tiffany Sasha Nicosia
- cum laude
Ashley Margaret Nimmo*
Ehren Marie Papa
Peter Vincent Phillips Jr.
Matthew Thomas Polito
John Patrick Price
Hannah Elizabeth Romano
Ari Charisse Scoon-Corbin
- cum laude
Emily Elizabeth Tokarz
- cum laude
Kathryn Elizabeth Windon
Jason Charles Winistorfer
Kristin Jennings Zizzamia

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

Bachelor of Arts

Sierra Morgan Abney*
Katherine Michelle Ahaus*
Jessica Lakeia Aiken
Kandisa Aquisa Allicock*
Scott Edward Angevine
Barbara Astriini
- magna cum laude
Gregory Brooks Barbaree
Heath Hunter Baxley
Kaan Alexander Beckingham
Jessica Leigh Bement
Peter James Billingham
Aaron Henry Bockenstedt
- cum laude
Kelly McCormick Brown*
- magna cum laude
Halden Palm Brubaker*
Kaitlyn M. Buckley
Henry LaJosha James Burgess
Ryan Michael Canfield
Samantha Devreaux Cannon
Chad Dalton Carteret*
- cum laude
Samantha Leanne Cassidy*
Clark Ashton Cato*
Amanda Marie Caulkins
Caitlin Leigh Cheney
Howard J. Chestnut Jr.*
Steven Legrand Chinners
- cum laude
Nicholas Carlton Clem
- cum laude
James Joseph Connell
Brandon Matthew Corey*
Christopher Anthony Corley
Michael Lee Cribb
Darrin Michael Cripe*
Charles Lynden Crouch
Tyler James Cunningham
Devin Thomas Currie

Joseph Ignatius Cusamano Jr.*
Shannon Marie Daly
Dushawn Von Davis
Shakia Denise Davis*
Tasha Brooke Deneen*
Alexander Boice Dermer
Amy Rae DeVito
Timothy Michael Dugan
- magna cum laude
Kelsey Rae Dye
Christine Elaine Egan
Lee Andrew Eisenberger
Amanda Hassan El-Tourky
- magna cum laude
Adam Robert Englert*
Joey Estelle
Irene Elizabeth Franco*
Timothy William Franklin
- cum laude
Alyssa Marie Frey
Jordan Alexander Funkhouser*
Kelly Erica Geffen
James Egan Gilder
Jamie Arnise Graves
Matthew Robert Gray
- cum laude
Jeffrey Kenneth Gurney*
- cum laude
Steven Matthew Harmon*
Gregory Allen Harris*
Craig Joseph Healy Jr.*
Nicole Ann Hearon
Cameron J. Heaslip
Kerry Frances Hendrix
Brett Thomas Hoffman
Sabra Fay Holmes
Victoria Alana Huggins
Alexandra Elizabeth Hunter
Katelyn Doose Isaacson
- summa cum laude
Sara Walker Ison
Amy Elizabeth Jarvis
- cum laude
Anne Lindsey Jenkins
Randy Tillman Jenkins
Douglas Lynn Johnson
Martha Kapek
David Palmer Kennedy

Jeffrey David King
Geneva Channell Kitcings
Paige Magill Knudsen
Jill Christine Komorowski
- cum laude
Joshua Zechariah Lebowitz
Austin David Long*
Michael Brian Long*
Lindsay Ann Luchette
Samantha Post Lucido*
Kevin Edward Lueddeke
Shannon Michelle Mack
Nicholas J. Mamary
Ryan Keith Massengill
John Thor McCormick*
Elizabeth Claire McVey*
Gillian Christina Michelakis
John Lawrence Minor
- magna cum laude
Eric Dean Montgomery*
- cum laude
Kristella Marie Montiegel
Marcus Thabani Mtshali
Paul Austin Mueller*
Margot Lauren Najarian
Catherine Suzanne Oliver*
Natalya Orkes
Lindsay Ann Osborne
Jaime Lynn Overby
- cum laude
Matthew Gregory Parris
Stephen Michael Peach*
Amber Dawn Peoples
Jade P. Perry
Frances Ellen Pendish*
- magna cum laude
Kirsten Elizabeth Pruitt*
Meredith McLeod Rawls
Chelsea Tomieka Reddick
Rhett William Reidpath*
Jaclyn Rice
Kent Myron Rogers Jr.
Lindsey Carroll Ryon
Joseph John Samaro
Emily Elizabeth Schrag
- summa cum laude
Marissa Lauren Schultz
Daniel Kyle Scoggins
DEGREES IN COURSE

Kamber Layne Seay
  ~ cum laude
Courtney Leigh Simmons
Jessica Nicole Sluys
  ~ cum laude
Ashley Charmane Smalls
Christopher Michael Smith
Zackary Blake Smith
Paige Amanda Sommer*
Phillip Kyle Spivey*
Thomas Patrick Squire II
Desmond Rivonn Steward
Brendan Michael Sullivan
Laurel Erin Tabat*
Allison Lynn Tanner
Carolyn Grace Tanner*
Joshua Sean Thomason
Anna Ryan Troy
Damon Christopher Tucker
  ~ cum laude
Melissa Dawn Tucker
Hayley Elizabeth Turner*
Nico Elizabeth Van Leer
Bradley Lamar Vaught*
Tiffany Kristyn Waldorf
Brittany Shonta Washington*
Alice Paige Whaley
  ~ magna cum laude
Brittany Alicia Wheeler
Jeffrey Angelo White
Kaitlynne Victoria Wood
Haleigh Rae Woodlief
  ~ cum laude
Travis Santel Worthy
Megan Dolores Yandle*

College of Science

Bachelor of Arts

Andrew Rocke Adham*
  ~ magna cum laude
Kelita Juanita Agan
  ~ magna cum laude
Eliakim Alicea-Perichi
Jeffrey Michael Allen
Laquinta L. Alston
Brittany Lorena Anderson
David Stewart Anderson
Mallorie Elizabeth Aquino
Melissa Terry Arango*
Kotaro Iha Arms
Sarah Jeanne Arnette
  ~ cum laude
Gina Anne Austin
  ~ magna cum laude
Kylene Helaina Ayer
  ~ cum laude
Ian Alexander Backlund*
  ~ cum laude
Brittany Alexandra Bailey
Bryant Rashaad Bailey*
Julia Louise Baldwin
  ~ magna cum laude
Tara Lynn Basciano
Andrew Douglas Beach
Bethany Suzanne Beck*
Matthew James Beckel
Amber M. Bellamy
Emily Rachel Benton
Eboni Monique Best
Megan Kathryn Bickford*
  ~ magna cum laude
Thomas Ambrose Bierce*
Kristin Michelle Blackwell
Marcus Andrew Blake*
Laurel Alexis Bolesky
Frank Maurice Bolin
Lauren Paige Brice*
  ~ cum laude
Ellen Elizabeth Bridges*
Shayla LaCole Broadnax*
James Michael Brown*
Kevin Dean Brown
Stephanie Revels Brownell
Chad Dewayne Buffkin
  ~ cum laude
Kendrick Dewayne Burnette
Michelle Renee Burnette*
Kelly Louise Cann
  ~ cum laude
Katie Capalbo
Lindsay Elizabeth Carlisle*
  ~ cum laude
Melanie Michelle Norton Carter
Michelle Nicole Cerullo
Tara Brittany Goldsmith
Adam Legare Collins
Benjamin Hampton Collins
Erica Collins*
Brittany Reneah Connor
Timothy James Cowan
Kelsey Kathryn Cox*
Steven David Cox*
Kevin Andrew Crout*
Amanda Aicha Curl
Amber J. Day-Parker
Matthew Stephen Decker
Sara E. Del Gavio
Robert Joseph Delvisco
Andrea Frances DeMuth
Morgan Elizabeth Denno
Erin Joyce Desrosiers*
Kristina Diane DiCosmo*
William Blake Diiorio
David Fraser Duran
Constance Jeanine DuVall
Ryan Douglas Edlich*
Benjamin David Erdman
Cara Mercanti Erieg*
Emeline Louise Ervin*
Courtney Elizabeth Faile
  ~ cum laude
Lillianne Holland Falvey
Megan Elizabeth Farris*
Brandon Michael Flanery*
Chelsea Nicole Fox
  ~ cum laude
Brandon James Frazier*
Brian Christopher Frisch
Shasey Teniel Frye
Brittney Lynn Gambino
Heather Jean Gannoe
Whitney Shea Gibson*
Kelli Lynn Golding
  ~ cum laude
Jackie Kay Gordon*
Ashaunda Leigh Gore*
Kamila Gorna
Kimberly Nickie LaToyce
Graham
Frank Nicholas Grande*
Lorinda Monique Grate
Tina Renee Green*
Amy Louise Haggard
Justin Reginald Hancock
Zachery Daniel Hart*
Marcus Anthony Rashad
Haynes*
Christopher Michael Hegarty*
Evelyn Kathleen Hehmann*
Lauren Anne Henry
Keith Alexander Hessler
  ~ cum laude
Brittany Anne Hoffman
  ~ cum laude
Dana Leah Holmes
Teresa Dontraul Hughes*
Samuel DeWitt Hunter
Brittney Ann Irwin*
Stephanie Marie Jakaub*
Courtney Lee Johnson*
  ~ cum laude
Philip Tremain Johnson
Jennifer Marie Kaiser
  ~ cum laude
Ross Daniel Kelly*
Alfredo Kim-Perez*
Danielle Marie Kirei
Jonathan A. Kross
Kate Ann Kucinsky*
  ~ cum laude
Merri Caroline Kyzer*
  ~ magna cum laude
Stephan Mark Lafranchise
David Derrick Lewis
Jacqueline Rachel Little
Amanda Helen Loach
Sandra Stephanie Ludolfs
Stephen Christopher Lutfy*
Alyssa Ashley Markowitz
~ magna cum laude
Billy Lavon McAllister III
Ian Timothy McDougal
Martin Sean McGough*
Charquisha Michaua McGriff
Justin Sentell McKenzie*
Kimberly Melgar
Michael Frank Millan
Rachel Lynn Miller
~ magna cum laude
Samantha Louise Miller*
Garrett K. Mink*
Margaret J. Napolitani
~ magna cum laude
Alexander Ouest Nazon
Rebecca Ann Newton
Chelsea Alexandra Nill*
Blake Vincent Nuzzo Jr.*
Phillip Oboh
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Eric Benjamin O’Neal
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in Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Science
in Interdisciplinary Studies

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Lara Janelle Alicea
Penelope Campbell Atkins
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Christopher Chance Cooper
~ cum laude
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Christopher Joseph Gradnigo
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Coastal Carolina University
1954
On the evening of July 23, 1954, a group of citizens meet 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. 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.

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

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.

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.

Members of the Horry County Higher Education Commission and Coastal Educational Foundation 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.

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.

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

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

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

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.

USC Coastal Carolina College becomes a charter member of the Big South Athletic Conference.

USC Coastal Carolina College becomes a full member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

The first on-campus residence halls open.

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

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.

On July 23, 1991, the Coastal Educational Foundation 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 Carolina pursue independence from the University in name and administration. The trustees adopt President Palms' recommendation in June 1992.

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. A $68 million campus master plan is unveiled that will guide development of the University to the 50th anniversary of the institution, to be celebrated in 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 University 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 revenue bonds to begin construction of a 350-bed residence hall, expansion 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 dedication 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 the University's history. In collaboration with the Georgetown 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 new football team begins practice in preparation for intercollegiate play in Fall 2003. State appropriations fall to approximately 23 percent of the total current funds, and tuition and fees represent nearly half of the University's $63 million operating budget.

2003 The University now offers master's degree programs in education, instructional technology, and coastal marine and wetland studies. A growing array of international programs take students to places such as Australia, Costa Rica, Cuba, England, Ecuador, Galapagos Islands, Germany, India, Japan, Russia and Spain. A $1.5 million gift from Burroughs & Chapin Company Inc. is announced to support the construction of an education and research facility at the University's Waties Island/Tilghman Point property. A $2 million gift from Loris native Bob Brooks marks the largest single gift in the history of the University and places the Brooks name on the new football stadium. More than 8,000 fans pack Brooks Stadium on September 6 for the inaugural game of the Chanticleer NCAA I-AA football squad.

2004 Coastal Carolina University offers baccalaureate degree programs in 38 major fields of study and 36 undergraduate minors, including a new bachelor's degree in economics. The University serves students and the community with a new location, the Waccamaw Higher Education Center in Litchfield, and sites in Georgetown and Myrtle Beach. The 50th anniversary celebration officially begins on Founders Day, September 20, with a formal convocation to honor the three educational institutions that had pivotal roles in the shaping of Coastal Carolina University: Horry County Schools, University of South Carolina and College of Charleston. The Spadoni College of Education is named for William L. "Spud" Spadoni and members of his family through a $1 million gift to the 50th Anniversary Initiatives. The public phase of the 50th Anniversary Initiatives is announced in September with more than $10 million already committed.

2005 The long-awaited Master of Business Administration degree gains approval, and the E. Craig Wall Sr. College of
Business Administration begins accepting MBA students for fall 2006. New baccalaureate degree programs are approved in communication and in recreation and sport management, bringing the total number of undergraduate degree programs to 40 fields of study. The 50th Anniversary Initiatives campaign raises $3 million over the $10 million goal, reflecting the growing community support for the University. For a conference-record seventh time, Coastal Carolina University captures the Sasser Cup for athletic program success. President Ronald R. Ingle announces his retirement for June 2007, and the Board of Trustees begins planning the search for the University’s second president.

2006 The University continues record growth with 8,049 students from 44 states and 32 foreign countries enrolled for fall 2006. The freshman class has an entering SAT score of 1,047 and an average high school GPA of 3.32, topping national averages in both categories. The University’s operating budget hits $110 million, 12 percent of which comes from state appropriations. Ground is broken for the Adkins Field House following a $1.8 million gift from Charlotte businessmen and twin brothers Mark and Will Adkins, representing the largest pledge ever received from alumni.

2007 David A. DeCenzo takes office as the second president of Coastal Carolina University on May 7, 2007. His formal inauguration – built around the theme “Dawning of a New Tomorrow” – is held September 14. The new president appoints a Strategic Planning Steering Committee comprising all University stakeholders to examine and refine the University’s mission, establish priorities, and link strategic direction to budgeting and assessment. The total number of alumni since 1993 reaches 10,129. The annual economic impact of the University tops $225 million.

2008 Coastal Carolina University receives its largest grant, $2.3 million, from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to establish a program that partners graduate students and Horry County K-12 teachers in coastal science research. For the first time, a Coastal Carolina University faculty member is named the Governor’s 2008 Professor of the Year. A building campaign is under way to expand Kimbel Library, build an annex to the R. Cathcart Smith Science Center, as well as to construct a student recreation and convocation center, among other projects. Horry County voters approve a penny sales tax to provide funding to be divided among the Horry County public schools, Horry-Georgetown Technical College and Coastal Carolina University; the tax is expected to provide approximately $120 million over the next 15 years for facility improvements for the University. Chanticleer alumni earn accolades in the U.S. Olympics, NFL and Major League Soccer, and on the PGA Tour.

2009 Coastal Carolina University is named one of “America’s 100 Best College Buys” by Institutional Research & Evaluation, Inc. The University is ranked in the top 15 percent of the nation’s four-year undergraduate institutions in “America’s Best Colleges 2009,” compiled by Forbes and the Center for College Affordability and Productivity. Fall 2009 enrollment is approximately 8,300 students from 45 states and 38 foreign countries. One of the largest gifts in University history will support health science education, and the new science addition – Kenneth E. Swain Hall – will be named in honor of the donor. The E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration is named one of the 300 best in the world by AACSB-International. The Burroughs & Chapin Center for Marine and Wetland Studies joins the State Energy Office, Santee Cooper, Clemson University and North Carolina State University to conduct research on wind power for commercial use.

2010 The Coastal Carolina University Student Housing Foundation purchases a residential facility near campus and combines it with University Place, increasing the on-campus resident capacity to 3,379 beds. Adkins Field House is completed; the state-of-the-art facility houses coaches’ offices, football locker and meeting rooms, the Sasser Athletics Hall of Fame, and a strength and conditioning center. Groundbreaking is held for two major campus additions: the Student Recreation and Convocation Center and the Bryan Information Commons at Kimbel Library. A total of 891 graduates participate in May Commencement. The Chanticleer baseball team is recognized by the NCAA for having the highest winning percentage of any Division I baseball program and is selected to host the NCAA Super Regionals for the first time. The University is named a “Military Friendly School” by two national organizations. The Women’s Resource Center opens in the Wall Building. Fall 2010 enrollment is 8,706 students. With the purchase of Quail Creek Golf Club, the campus now comprises 69 main buildings on 631 acres.

2011 U.S. News and World Report ranks CCU 26th of Top Public Schools in the South in the “Regional Universities” category. CCU is also ranked among the top 15 regional public universities in the South in the “Great Schools, Great Prices” category in the U.S News and World Report rankings. Also, for the third consecutive year, CCU is named one of “America’s Best Colleges” by Forbes and one of “America’s 100 Best College Buys” by Institutional Research & Evaluation Inc. The new state-of-the-art Baseball/Softball hitting facility opens in May. In November, Quail Creek Golf Club is renamed the General James Hackler Golf Course at Coastal Carolina University in honor of the Grand Strand golfing pioneer and CCU benefactor. Fall 2011 enrollment stands at 9,084, the highest in CCU history.
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 that 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 that 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. It 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 that 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 to which the graduating student is entitled, academic grade point honors and/or Coastal Carolina University honors programs such as Jackson Scholars, Wall Fellows and the Honors Program.

Recognized honor societies by Coastal Carolina University are:

- Alpha Kappa Delta: Sociology
- Alpha Mu Gamma: Foreign Language
- Alpha Psi Omega: Theatre
- 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: Mathematics
- Psi Chi: Psychology
- Sigma Tau Delta: English
- Sigma Zeta Beta Mu: Science and Mathematics
- Upsilon Eta: Communication
- Upsilon Pi Epsilon: Computer Science

The greatest degree of symbolism is represented by the hood. The size and shape of the American hood mark 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.

- Anthropology: Golden Yellow
- Business Administration: Drab
- Communication: Crimson
- 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
- Jurisprudence: 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.

Coastal Carolina University recognizes members of the 1954 Society who support the University while they are undergraduate students. Members of the 1954 Society wear special pins that they receive during a formal induction ceremony held each spring.
COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY TRADITIONS

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 that captures the energy and unbounded promise of the institution.

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-karat 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.
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COASTAL CAROLINA

WE COME TO YOU TO LEAD OUR SEARCH,
AND LEARN TO REACH BEYOND OURSELVES —
BETWEEN 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 the late Bennie Lee Sinclair, the fifth 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 in 1994 by Coastal Carolina University emeritus professor William R. Hamilton.

“Coastal Carolina” was first performed at the Inauguration of the University’s first president, Ronald R. Ingle, on October 22, 1994.