

Savannah State College

Savannah, Georgia

The One-Hundred-Fifteenth Commencement



Lux et Veritas

June Fifth

Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven

Two-Thirty P.M.

Savannah Civic Center Arena

Order of Procession

THE CHIEF MARSHAL
THE CLASS MARSHALS
CANDIDATES FOR THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE
CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTERS DEGREE
INSTRUCTORS OF THE COLLEGE
ASSISTANT PROFESSORS OF THE COLLEGE
ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS OF THE COLLEGE
PROFESSORS OF THE COLLEGE
PROFESSORS EMERITI
THE GRADUATE FACULTY
THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACADEMIC MACE AND THE OFFICIAL MEDALLION

Observing the centuries-old convocation procedures, each Marshal in the Savannah State College Academic Procession carries an official mace which is indicative of the power, dignity, and *magisterium* vested in the College. The mace is a club-shaped staff which originated in the Middle Ages as a weapon. Eventually, it gained a ceremonial character and is presently employed most often by legislative forums and academic enterprises.

The official mace of Savannah State College was designed and made from mahogany wood by Mr. Ernest S. Brown, Instructor of Industrial Arts. Dr. Lester B. Johnson, Head of the Department of Engineering Technology, designed and built the Mace Stand.

It is significant to note that the mace bears the official seal of the College and the motto of President Prince A. Jackson, Jr., "*Lux Et Veritas*" ("Light and Truth"), which is his conception of what Savannah State College should be, must be, and is to all individuals associated with her. Dr. Jackson also wears a silver medallion which bears the official seal of the College and symbolizes the Office of the President.

Savannah State College

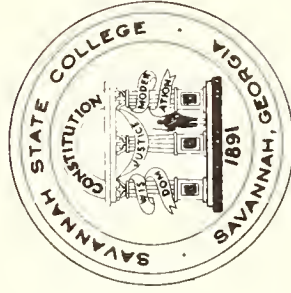
hereby confers upon

the degree of
Bachelor of Science
in

together with all the rights, privileges and honors pertaining thereto
in consideration of the satisfactory completion of the course prescribed
by the Faculty of this College.

In Witness Whereof the undersigned have affixed their names and the seal
of the College of Savannah, Georgia, on the fifth day of June, 1977.

George L. Ayers, Jr.
Chancellor of the University System



Prince Jackson

President, Savannah State College

J. B. Lemmon

Registrar of the College

Savannah State College & Armstrong State College

hereby confer upon

the degree of
in

together with all the rights, privileges and honors appertaining thereto in consideration of the satisfactory completion of the course prescribed by the

Faculties of these Colleges

In Witness Whereof the undersigned have affixed their names and the seals of the Colleges at Savannah, Georgia, in the month of June, 1977.

Ernie A. Jackson
President Savannah State College



George I. Ayers, Jr.
Chancellor of the University System



Ray L. Ashmore
President Armstrong State College

W. B. Emmons
Registrar of the College

James P. Eaton
Associate Dean for Graduate Studies

George S. Thomas
Registrar of the College

Joseph V. Adams
Associate Dean for Graduate Studies

Associate Dean for Graduate Studies

ORDER OF EXERCISES

*ACADEMIC PROCESSION: "War March of the Priests" Felix Mendelssohn
James Thompson, Jr., M.M.Ed., Organist

INVOCATION Reverend Lenton Powell, M. Div.
Pastor, Speedwell United Methodist Church

SELECTION: "The Omnipotence" Franz Schubert
Mrs. Willie Mae Patterson, Soprano Soloist
Savannah State College Concert Choir
Butler Presbyterian Church Choir, Guest Choir
James Thompson, Jr., Conductor

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER Prince A. Jackson, Jr., Ph.D., President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Mrs. Lillian P. Benbow, B.A.
Housing Director of the Preventive Services Division,
Department of Civil Rights
Detroit, Michigan

SELECTION: "Way Over In Beulah Land" Hall Johnson

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES Clyde W. Hall, Ed.D.
Vice President

Division of Business Administration Mary C. Torian, Ed.D.

Division of Education Thelma M. Harmond, Ph.D.

Division of Humanities Luetta C. Milledge, Ph.D.

Division of Natural Sciences Margaret C. Robinson, Ph.D.

Division of Social Sciences Isaiah McIver, Ph.D.

Division of Technical Sciences Lester B. Johnson, Jr., Ph.D.

CONFERRING OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES Prince A. Jackson, Jr., Ph.D.
Assisted by the Dean of the College, Thomas A. Byers, Ph.D.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE GRADUATE DEGREES James A. Eaton, Ed.D.
Associate Dean for Graduate Studies
Armstrong State College and Savannah State College

CONFERRING OF JOINT GRADUATE DEGREES Henry L. Ashmore, Ed.D.
President, Armstrong State College
Prince A. Jackson, Jr., Ph.D.

ALUMNI INDUCTION Earl Brown, J.D.
President, Savannah State College National Alumni Association
Columbia, South Carolina

PRESENTATION OF N.R.O.T.C. CANDIDATES

FOR COMMISSION Commander Alvin Catalano
Commanding Officer, Savannah State College N.R.O.T.C.

ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE Commander Alvin Catalano

PRAYER FOR THE NEW OFFICERS: "*Veni Sancte Spiritus*" Reverend Thomas Austin, Th.D.
Pastor, First Baptist Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE HYMN

BENEDICTION The Reverend Samuel Williams, M. Div.
College Minister

SEVEN-FOLD AMEN

**RECESSIONAL: "Pomp and Circumstance" Sir Edward Elgar
James Thompson, Jr., M.M.Ed., Organist

*The audience is requested to remain seated.

**The audience is requested to remain seated until the procession has exited.

Baccalaureate Degrees Conferred

DIVISION OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting

Boston, Zandra T.	Savannah
Butler, Cynthia E.	Savannah
Claiborne, Janice J.	Savannah
Cutter, Kay Francis	Savannah
Gedamu, Demissew.	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Hendrix, Frank W.	Savannah
Huff, Dorothy R.	Elberton
Jacobs, Deborah E.	Blackshear
McLendon, Ben J., Jr.	Tignall
Pinckney, Rufus, Jr.	Savannah
Royal, Denise M.	Savannah
Shinhoster, Clara M.	Savannah
Stevens, Elinda M.	Savannah
Tyson, Willie F.	Savannah
Washington, Javanese L.	Savannah
†Weashington, Beverly	Brinson
†Wynn, Rickey J.	Donalsonville

General Business Administration

Allen, Gary N.	Savannah
Brown, Gertrude R.	Savannah
Butler, Donnie L.	Baxley
Deigh, Elliott M.	Statesboro
Edge, Wallace, Jr.	Ashburn
Foye, Larry	Atlantic City, New Jersey
Howell, Loretta T.	Savannah
King, Vanessa	Savannah
Kelley, John, Jr.	Augusta
Lash, Beulah G.	Savannah
Lewis, Benny F.	Savannah
†Lowe, Willotte	Columbus
Mathis, Patricia A.	Sparks
Miller, Cynthia	Mowen
Rood, Charles N.	Waycross
Russell, Jeffery J.	Hogansville
Smith, Julius R.	Savannah
Spivey, Jacqueline.	Wadley
Williams, Anderson, Jr.	Thomasville
Williams, Dianne M.	Savannah

Office Administration

Hillery, Harriett B.	Brunswick
Johnson, Juanita.	Blakely
†Moore, Linda D.	Macon

† Participated in Cooperative Education Program.

Finance

Barnes, Brett D. Philadelphia, Pa.

DIVISION OF EDUCATION

Elementary Education

Alexander, Sharon A. Savannah
Anderson, Maggie M. Savannah
Arnold, Gwenetta L. Newman
Blocker, Marie A. Dublin
Burch, Mary J. Elberton
Bynum, Gloria E. Savannah
Clifton, Wilhelmina Statesboro
Cuspert, Sandra L. Savannah
Garnett, Bonnie L. Augusta
Grant, Yvonne J. Savannah
Hall, Martha L. Greenville
Hargrove, Dorothy M. Riceboro
Harris, Margo L. Savannah
Harrison, Tessie M. Edison
Hill, Karen T. Savannah
Holder, Brenda Dublin
Inman, Debra D. Waycross
Lamar, Chestine H. Woodland
Lee, Gussie W. Glenwood
Manigo, Carrie B. Savannah
Middleton, Susie L. Davisboro
Miles, Utica A. Savannah
Roberson, Gail M. Augusta
Ross, Denise C. Savannah
Scott, Debra J. Savannah
Smith, Debra Savannah
Smith, Luevonnia McRae
Smith, Wendolyn M. Columbus
Stevens, Joyce V. Savannah
Ward, Grace R. Elbert
Washington, Rose M. Savannah
Wilson, Delores E. Townsend

SECONDARY EDUCATION

Business Education

Bell, Antoinette D. Savannah
Bowers, Andrea R. Savannah
Calhoun, Sylvia C. Elberton

English Education

Whitney, Loretta Y. Ft. Rucker, Ala.

Physical Education

Daniels, Melvin J. Macon
 Griffin, Barbara Y. Bloomingdale
 Hodges, Olivia J. Savannah
 Johnson, Ralph A. Atlanta
 Kelly, Donna M. Savannah
 Lamar, Robert Folkston
 Powell, Lorraine M. Savannah

Industrial Arts Education

Kinsey, Larry Macon
 Wilkins, Wofford, Jr. Cartersville

Music Education

Riley, Sandra D. Savannah

Social Studies Education

Holt, Joyce L. Eatonton
 Washington, Kevin E. St. Mary's

DIVISION OF NATURAL SCIENCES

Biology

Davis, Mary K. Waverly
 DeLoach, Terin M. Savannah

Chemistry

Aaron, Leonard Macon
 Gary, James E. Elberton
 Ruff, Leanne V. Savannah

Mathematics

Fleming, Deborah L. Savannah
 Gary, George A. Savannah
 Ward, Carnell Savannah

DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

Criminal Justice

Anderson, William G. Myrtle Beach AFB, S.C.
 Collins, David Fitzgerald

Copeland, Priscilla	Bowdon
Fallings, Lewis, Jr.	Milner
Green, Donald R.	Savannah
Heidt, Linda D.	Savannah
Holmes, Linda	Girard
Hutchinson, Alexis D.	Savannah
Jackson, Ola.	Hawkinsville
Manning, James E.	Dixie
Morgan, Janice	Savannah
Morse, Betty	Dry Branch
Pace, Garnell.	Savannah
Phillips, Raymond C.	Guyton
Simmons, Robert C.	Barnesville
Smiley, Joyce A.	Brunswick
Thomas, Larry L.	Pelham
Wilson, Albertha V.	Savannah
Young, Sarah A.	Savannah

History

Abramson, Charles I.	Savannah
Clark, Wanda C.	Atlanta
Drayton, LaBrandor	Savannah
Jordon, Bobby	Bridgeton
Washington, Deborah A.	Bluffton
White, James, Jr.	Woodbine

Political Science

Jackson, Oteria D.	Savannah
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Sociology

Baker, Laucenia D.	McIntosh
Calhoun, Sherrye E.	Elberton
Camp, Keith	Clarkston
Cannon, Carl E., II	Savannah
German, Louvenia W.	Savannah
Hush, Arlene K.	New Brunswick, New Jersey
Hutchinson, Valerie E.	Savannah
Little, Janice V.	Eatonton
McLendon, Carolyn J.	Dublin
Pughsley, Yvonne	Savannah
Sims, Gene O.	Savannah
Swift, Patricia A.	Savannah
Thomas, Freda L.	Atlanta

Social Work

Jackson, Janice	Savannah
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DIVISION OF TECHNICAL SCIENCES

ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Civil Engineering Technology

Beasley, Albert Savannah
Lewis, Willie J. Rochelle

Electronics Engineering Technology

†Gainor, James H., Jr. Cartersville
Green, Curtis, Jr. Rochester, New York
Harvey, Val E. Macon
†Jackson, Bobby F. Savannah
*Johnson, William C. Brunswick
Worku, Ayalew Jinka, Gomu Gafa, Ethiopia

HOME ECONOMICS

Dietetics and Institutional Management

Asseged, Webayehu Addis Abada, Ethiopia
Hall, Gloria P. Dublin

Textiles and Clothing

Brown, Marsha Gail. Statesboro
Brown, Vickie J. Macon
Culbreth, Huddie Twin City
Holliman, Josephine Dublin
Jenkins, Ruthann P. Savannah
Mitchell, Sandra Savannah
Poaches, Regina D. Charleston, S. C.
Stuckey, Gloria J. Macon
Trim, Winifred Y. Columbus

Dressmaking and Tailoring
(Two Year Terminal)

Garvin, Margaret H. Savannah

† Participated in Cooperative Education Program.

* In absentia

NOTE: Appearance of a name on any list in this program must not be considered as conclusive evidence of graduation. Persons who have met all requirements for a particular degree and whose names appear on the lists in this program will receive the degree indicated.

**THE JOINT GRADUATE PROGRAM OF
ARMSTRONG STATE COLLEGE AND SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE**

*Candidates for the Master of Education
and
The Master of Business Administration Degrees*

June 5, 1977

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Howard Roland Boyd	B.A. Degree	Armstrong State College	1969
John Frank Briggs	B.A. Degree	University of Utah	1970
Fred Wilkins Brown, Jr.	B.A. Degree	Armstrong State College	1973
Oscar Justice Hall, Jr.	B.A. Degree	Armstrong State College	1973
Thomas Edward Hamilton	B.A. Degree	Armstrong State College	1974
Gary Steven Ost	B.S. Degree	St. Cloud State College	1972
Ernest A. Rubadue	B.S. Degree	Ohio State University	1963
John A. Sullivan, Jr.	B.A. Degree	University of Georgia	1963
William E. Swords	B.A. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1973

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN BUSINESS EDUCATION

Larry A. Polakov	B.S. Degree	Youngstown University	1964
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MASTER OF EDUCATION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Sara Elizabeth Burns	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1972
Lucinda H. Butler	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1974
Rebecca Ann Stapleton	B.S. Degree	University of Georgia	1973

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Peggy Stephens Adler	B.A. Degree	West Georgia College	1974
Theresa E. Atkinson	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1959
Peggy Stephens Adler	B.A. Degree	West Georgia College	1974
Theresa E. Atkinson	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1959
Nancy Newson Brannen	B.S. Degree	Armstrong State College	1971
Esther M. Carver	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1961
Sherry K. Chester	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1968
Yvonne Butler Cutter	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1971
Patricia Jenkins Devoe	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1969
Joel Wayne Formby	B.S. Degree	Univ. of Massachusetts	1970
Jill H. Greene	B.A. Degree	American Univ. of Beirut	1965
Gail Royal Kent	B.S. Degree	Lee College	1972
Ray Parker Kitchens	A.B. Dgree	University of Georgia	1953
Frances Lane Meeks	B.S. Degree	University of Georgia	1953
Shirley Brown Michael	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1969
Deborah Susan Murray	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1971
Lessie Gardner Porter	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1973

M. Linda P. Thompson	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1971
Robert L. Vaughn	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1973
Cynthia Harris Whalen	B.S. Degree	Armstrong State College	1973
Annie Mae Wiggins	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1975
Nola Glynean Williams	B.A. Degree	Armstrong State College	1972
Dianne Hagins Williby	B.S. Degree	Armstrong State College	1972

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION: BEHAVIOR DISORDERS

Nevela Szymanskia Allen	B.S. Degree	Armstrong State College	1975
Harry Gregory Andris, Jr.	B.A. Degree	University of Georgia	1954
Delores Roberts Cardriche	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1972
Jeraldine C. Hamilton	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1973
Toni E. Rose Hampton	B.S. Degree	University of North Alabama	1967
*Elise Rubin Shernoff	B.A. Degree	Armstrong State College	1972

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN HISTORY

*Catherine Reiser Gastin	B.A. Degree	Emory University	1973
Jessie Marie Howard Jenkins	B.S. Degree	Savannah State College	1970
Patricia Groover Smiley	B.S. Degree	Georgia Southern College	1960

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN MATHEMATICS

Rosalyn K. Finnegan	B.S. Degree	Armstrong State College	1970
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*In absentia.

SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE
HONOR GRADUATES
JUNE 5, 1977

MAGNA CUM LAUDE (3.400 to 3.749)

Antionette Delia Bell
George Albert Gary
Loretta Yvonne Whitney

CUM LAUDE (3.000 to 3.399)

Webayehu Asseged
Marie Anita Blocker
Cynthia Elaine Butler
Keith Camp
Janice Johnson Claiborne
Kay Frances Cutter
Lewis Fallings
Gloria Patricia Hall
Martha Louise Hall
Josephine Holliman
Garnell Pace
Sandra Denise Riley
Clara Mae Shinhoster

MEMBERS OF ALPHA KAPPA MU
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Antoinette D. Bell
Janice J. Claiborne
Loretta Y. Whitney

MEMBERS OF KAPPA DELTA PI
HONOR SOCIETY

Antoinette D. Bell
Martha L. Hall
Olivia J. Hodges

Sandra D. Riley
Loretta Y. Whitney
Delores E. Wilson

MEMBERS OF PI GAMMA MU
NATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE HONOR SOCIETY

Charles I. Abramson
Keith Camp

MEMBERS OF ZETA ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER
OF
LAMBDA ALPHA EPSILON HONOR SOCIETY

Linda Holmes
Larry L. Thomas
Albertha V. Wilson

SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE HYMN

*Let us give thanks and praise to Thee,
To our Alma Mater, S.S.C.
Thine honor, pride, and eminence,
We raise in prayerful reverence.*

*Guide us still from day to day,
Be Thou mindful lest we lose our way;
Help us know that life, short or long,
Means unceasing work for weak and strong.*

REFRAIN

*Where Savannah meets the sea,
Where grassy plains and palms abound,
Where the flow'rs are gems of loveliness,
There S.S.C. is found.
We adore each beauteous scene and hall,
Our all we pledge to Thee!
In our hearts we'll build a shrine for Thee.
We hail Thee, S.S.C.*

—J. Randolph Fisher
Hillary Hatchett

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1977 Summer School June 14 - August 20
1977 Fall Quarter Freshmen, September 12
Upperclassmen, September 20

ACADEMIC COSTUMES

Modern academic dress has evolved from a type of apparel prescribed by English Medieval Universities to distinguish their schools from the lay person in dress at a time when everybody wore robes or gowns. When American colleges and universities desired to adopt some suitable system of academic apparel a half century ago it seemed best to agree on some definite system which all might follow. Accordingly, this attire has consisted of the cap, the gown, and the hood, the latter two now differing according to the degree the wearer has received.

The modern cap, in academic dress has the same design for all degrees; black and square-shaped with a tassel hanging from the center. However, the color of the tassel usually differentiates the field of study for which the degree was granted, the gold tassel being worn by doctors or by presidents of colleges and universities; but it may be added that the black tassel is correct for all degrees.

The gown, unlike the cap, differs appreciably in design according to the degree conferred on the wearer. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves. It is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree, worn open or closed has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, like the others. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cut away. The doctor's gown, worn open or closed, has long sleeves faced with velvet; three bars of velvet are midway the sleeves. The trimmings of the doctor's gown may be black or the color associated with the field of study.

The hood, while not an article of dress, is, however, the most distinctive feature of the academic attire. It is a black, crow-shaped badge or adornment with an oval opening and worn down the back. It enables one to quickly determine not only the degree held by the wearer but also the college or university from which he is graduated. The colors lining the hood and the size and shape of the hood make this distinction. The bachelor's and master's hoods are three feet and three and a half feet in length, respectively; the doctor's hood is four feet in length and is made with a wide panel. Hoods may be worn for only those degrees actually held by the wearers.

Members of the governing body of a college or university, and they only, whatever their degrees may be, are entitled to wear doctor's gowns (with black velvet), but their hoods may be only those of degrees actually held by the wearers or those especially prescribed for them by the institution.

In some colleges and universities, it is customary for the president, chancellor, or chief officer to wear a costume similar to that worn by the head of a foreign university.

The chief marshal may wear a specially designed costume approved by the institution.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor's gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the color associated with different subjects as prescribed by the revised American Intercollegiate Code is as follows:

Agriculture	Maise
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business	Drab
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Musie	Pink
Oratory—(Speech)	Silver Gray
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Science	Golden Yellow
Theology	Scarlet

At Savannah State College, the lining of the hood has an orange chevron on a blue background to represent school colors. A faculty member wears the color of his alma mater.

