

1987

Savannah State College
Savannah, Georgia

The One Hundred Thirty-Second
Commencement



Lux et Veritas
June Seventh
Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven
Two Thirty O'Clock P.M.

Savannah Civic Center Theater

Order of Procession

The Chief Marshal

The Class Marshals

Candidates for The Masters Degree

Candidates for The Baccalaureate 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

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 Dr. Ernest S. Brown, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering Technology. Dr. Lester B. Johnson, Head of the Department of Engineering Technology, designed and built the Mace Stand.

The College motto "**Lux Et Veritas**" ("Light and Truth")

ORDER OF EXERCISES

PRELUDE: "Tuccato in d Minor" Gordon Nevin
James Thompson, Jr., Organist

*ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL Felix Mendelssohn
"War March of the Priests"
James Thompson, Jr.

**INVOCATION Father Michael Smith, Pastor
St. Anthony's Catholic Church
Savannah, Georgia

SELECTION: "Give Us This Day" Edwin Hawkins
The Savannah State College Wesleyan Choir
Spencer E. White, III, Conductor and Pianist
Jerome S. Glover, Organist

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO GRADUATES . . . Wendell G. Rayburn, President
Savannah State College

SELECTION: "O Father, Whose Almighty Power" G. F. Handel
The Savannah State College Concert Choir
Willie E. Jackson, Director
Randy N. Duncan, Accompanist
Alfred L. Davis, Trumpet
John Snipe, Tuba

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER Wendell G. Rayburn

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS The Honorable Elridge W. McMillan
Chairman, Board of Regents, University System of Georgia
Atlanta, Georgia

SELECTION: "Battle Hymn of the Republic" Ringwald
"The Savannah State College Combined Choirs"

PRESENTATION OF PRESIDENT'S AWARDS Wendell G. Rayburn

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR
GRADUATE DEGREES Edward J. Hayes
Vice President for Academic Affairs

CONFERRING OF GRADUATE DEGREES Wendell G. Rayburn

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES:
School of Business Dean Leo G. Parrish

School of Humanities and Social Sciences . . . Dean Ja Arthur Jahannes
School of Sciences and Technology Dean Margaret C. Robinson

CONFERRING OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES Wendell G. Rayburn
Assisted by the Academic Deans and the Registrar

ALUMNI INDUCTION Jimmie Jackson, President
Savannah State College National Alumni Association

PRESENTATION OF N.R.O.T.C. CANDIDATE
FOR COMMISSION Commander Edward Clark
Commanding Officer, Savannah State College N.R.O.T.C.

PRESENTATION OF A.R.O.T.C. CANDIDATES
FOR COMMISSION Captain Keith Merrell
Officer in Charge, Savannah State/Armstrong State A.R.O.T.C.

ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE:
N.R.O.T.C. Commander Edward Clark
A.R.O.T.C. Captain Keith Merrell

PRAYER FOR THE NEW OFFICERS Dr. Samuel A. Williams
Acting Vice President for Student Affairs
"Veni Sancte Spiritus"

ANNOUNCEMENTS Edward J. Hayes

THE SAVANNAH STATE COLLEGE HYMN

BENEDICTION Father Michael Smith

THREE-FOLD AMEN

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

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

Master's Degrees Conferred

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Blackburn, Barbara Jonell	Armstrong State College
Brown, Saralyn Deidre	Spelman College
Byrd, Jeany L. de Villa	Aquinas University
Campbell, Elaine Shavers	Clark College
Carr, Shevon	Boston University
Jarvis David Paul	Glenville State College
Patterson, Herman L.	Armstrong State College
Yarbrough, Richard E.	Armstrong State College

Baccalaureate Degrees Conferred

Summa Cum Laude 3.75 - 4.00

Magna Cum Laude 3.40 - 3.74

Cum Laude 3.00 - 3.39

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Accounting

Jayroe, Kenneth Luke, III - Magna Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Abdul-Salaam, Verna Harden - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Cail, William Gary - Cum Laude	Tybee Island, Georgia
Granade, Mary Tallulah - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Johnston, Allison P. - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Kemper, Kurtis Edward - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Knight, Maebell Watson - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Reeves, Valarie Rose - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Cannella, Frank Nelson	Savannah, Georgia
Evans, Lonnie B.	Adel, Georgia
Frazier, Phyllis Elaine	Savannah, Georgia
Glover, Keith Bernard	Savannah, Georgia
*Grotheer, John H.	Savannah, Georgia
*Miltiades, John C.	Atlanta, Georgia
McKamey, Arlene D.	Port Wentworth, Georgia
Ransom, Tonya Lavette	Savannah, Georgia

*In absentia

General Business Administration

Bell, Stephen J. - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Gordon, Myra Melissa - Cum Laude	Moultrie, Georgia
*Arnsdorff, Dan Jeffery	Clyo, Georgia
Barnum, Anita Hope	Savannah, Georgia
Berksteiner, Elizabeth Dasher	Lyons, Georgia
Branch, Angel L.	Savannah, Georgia
*Brooks, Juanita Marie	Savannah, Georgia
Butler, Karen Rena	Savannah, Georgia
Copeland, Barbara Harrell	Baxley, Georgia
Giles, Bernice	Sparta, Georgia
Hamilton, Shirley E.	Savannah, Georgia
Hunt, Cathy Lynn	Vidalia, Georgia
Johnson, Gloria Machell	Warrenton, Georgia
Jones, Grace Iveda	Savannah, Georgia
Lucious, Kimberly	Columbus, Georgia
Mobley, Michelle Denise	Savannah, Georgia
Myrick, David	Warrenton, Georgia
Nails, Ceminthia E.	Savannah, Georgia
Scott, Shirley Ann	Savannah, Georgia
Stanley, Debbie LaFon	Atlanta, Georgia
White, Kenneth Stewart	Elberton, Georgia
Williams, Sonjua Lavette	Athens, Georgia

Management

*Keck, David Andrew - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Tootle, Kathryn Joy - Cum Laude	Hinesville, Georgia
Broderick, Stephen Mark	Savannah, Georgia
Edwards, Kenneth C.	Garden City, Georgia
Hankerson, Sharon	Savannah, Georgia
Howard, Tonya Renee	Savannah, Georgia
Jones, Michelle	Savannah, Georgia
Mayfield, Luther Nelson	Royston, Georgia
*McNeal, Cornell	Savannah, Georgia
Williams, Tanya Fluellen	Savannah, Georgia

*In absentia

Marketing

Youmans, Patricia U. - Magna Cum Laude Greenwood, Miss.
Neher, Michael Clark - Cum Laude Kingston, New York

Boazman, Vickie Michelle Atlanta, Georgia
Boyd, Phillip Augustus, Jr. Savannah, Georgia
Hendrix, Angela Shari East Orange, New Jersey
Hindsman, Patricia Ann East Point, Georgia
Lee, Claude Jamaal, III Savannah, Georgia
Murray, Gretchen Savannah, Georgia
Wells, Allen Roscoe Boston, Georgia
Williams, Melvin D. Savannah, Georgia

Information Systems

Granade, Mary Tallulah - Cum Laude Savannah, Georgia
Carter, Terrence John Savannah, Georgia
Chatman, Stephanie Sparta, Georgia
Heyward, Sherry LaVarne Savannah, Georgia
Jordan, Careeda Justine Hartwell, Georgia
*Mattox, Gander Ronald Bowman, Georgia
Mayfield-Wison, Cynthia Andra Detroit, Michigan
Prescott, Alethia Rosetta Savannah, Georgia
Swint, Quilla Rochelle Warrenton, Georgia
Thornton, Sharon Michelle Hazelhurst, Georgia
Ward, Stephanie Ann Dawson, Georgia
Wright, Arvenia Ann Savannah, Georgia

Finance and Banking

Smith, Judy McRae, Georgia

Office Administration

Brown, Zelda Marie Savannah, Georgia
Cambell, Angela Faye Savannah, Georgia
Green, Michelle Anise Savannah, Georgia

*In absentia

King, Reba Dean Glennville, Georgia
 Palmer, Shequita Renee Rincon, Georgia
 Taylor, Patricia A. Augusta, Georgia

Secretarial Science

Bess, Pamela A. Savannah, Georgia
 Carr, Darlene Natasha Savannah, Georgia

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Mass Communications

Atkins, Cynthia Laverne Griffin, Georgia
 Brown, Kimberly Denise Harlem, Georgia
 Chester, Willie English, Jr. Greensboro, Georgia
 Cooper, Vanessa Jean Milledgeville, Georgia
 Cosby, Robert Kevin Detroit, Michigan
 Gaston, Greer Iris Savannah, Georgia
 Hibbler, Dalethian M. Atlanta, Georgia
 Howard, Bonnie E. Savannah, Georgia
 Knowles, Calvin Savannah, Georgia
 McRae, Valerie LaJune Jacksonville, Georgia
 Morris, Edwin Charles Savannah, Georgia
 Payton, Sandra T. Valdosta, Georgia
 Rush, Subrina L. Atlanta, Georgia

Sociology

Roberts, Brenda O'Brien - Cum Laude Savannah, Georgia
 Graham, Brenda J. Savannah, Georgia
 Heyward, Natalie Weston Savannah, Georgia
 Lampkin, Linda Marie Eastman, Georgia
 Stevens, Katherine Danette Riceboro, Georgia
 Ward, Darlene Savannah, Georgia

Criminal Justice

Barnwell, James Savannah, Georgia
 Bigglest, James Arness Savannah, Georgia

Harper, George Emanuel, III	Atlanta, Georgia
Harris, Irvin Tracy	Savannah, Georgia
Holmes, Kevin Donald	Savannah, Georgia
Jackson, Janis Marie	Savannah, Georgia
Kimbrow, Jerri Lea	Atlanta, Georgia
Moore, Jeanette	Savannah, Georgia
Rawls, Beverly Wallace	Savannah, Georgia
Ray, Jennifer Delphine	Arabi, Georgia
Williams, Varden W.	Augusta, Georgia

Music

Small, Angela R. - Magna Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Castain, Inga	Savannah, Georgia
Roach, Errol Adams	Savannah, Georgia

Political Science

Lee, Claude Jamaal, III - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Stephens, Sanford Mark	Savannah, Georgia

Social Work

Calhoun, Mildred Cynthia - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
Patterson, Kendall Aurora - Cum Laude	Savannah, Georgia
King, Brenda L.	Camilla, Georgia
Mobley, Sarah Jones	Savannah, Georgia
Smith, Fannie M.	Statham, Georgia

Recreation

Mills, Kerry Dean	Savannah, Georgia
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SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY

Biology

Blakley, Lynne Lorraine	Doerun, Georgia
Stimpson, Tangi Marie	Savannah, Georgia

Marine Biology

Andrews, Polly Ann - Magna Cum Laude Albany, Georgia
Gordon, Kenneth J. Riceboro, Georgia

Chemistry

Jackson, Janice D. - Cum Laude Savannah, Georgia
Berry, Richard Oliver Wrens, Georgia
Stimpson, Sonya Dee Savannah, Georgia

Mathematics

Jones, Lorna Faye - Summa Cum Laude Nashville, Tenn.
Napier, Debra Lufaye - Cum Laude Thomaston, Georgia
Andrews, Valerie Michelle Savannah, Georgia
Davis, Gerald Decatur, Georgia
Hall, Richard W. Savannah, Georgia
Heath, Joann Busby Savannah, Georgia
Lockhart, Scherherazade Savannah, Georgia
Mobley, Terri Denise Savannah, Georgia
Parker, Frenchie Tyrone Savannah, Georgia
Patterson, Gwendolyn Day Savannah, Georgia
Smith, Kim Demetria Savannah, Georgia
Watts, Rosalind Louise Orlando, Florida
Williams, Melvin Oconee, Georgia

Home Economics

Barbee, Nancy Herndon - Cum Laude Savannah, Georgia

Dietetics and Institutional Management

McCoy, Joan Rene Richland, Georgia
Williams, Gwendolyn D. Augusta, Georgia
Wright, Lisa Cassandra Savannah, Georgia

Textiles and Clothing

Moss, Deborah Smith Dublin, Georgia

Childhood Development

Mayo, Bridgetta Cecelia Savannah, Georgia

Fashion Merchandising

*Reynolds, Anita Ann Atlanta, Georgia

Civil Engineering Technology

Canty, Dorenda Thompson - Cum Laude Savannah, Georgia

Bowden, Mary L. Savannah, Georgia

Mohammad, Hossein Hadjkhan Tehran, Iran

Ofor, Adolphus Onudra Savannah, Georgia

Roughen, Elliott K. Savannah, Georgia

Scott, Randolph Ben Savannah, Georgia

Seldon, Havard, Jr. Fairburn, Georgia

Electronics Engineering Technology

Jones, Lorna Faye - Summa Cum Laude Nashville, Tenn.

*Cochran, Felicia Lucile - Cum Laude Pelham, Georgia

*Cook, Eric Lars - Cum Laude Birmingham, Alabama

Fekede, Zewdu - Cum Laude Addis Abba, Ethiopia

Mobley, Jeffery Bernard - Cum Laude Quitman, Georgia

Silawi, Amjad F. - Cum Laude Amman, Jordan

*Banker, Edward E. Pt. Wentworth, Georgia

Brown, Andre Ervin Augusta, Georgia

Brown, Sheila Bernette Savannah, Georgia

Ellison, Frederick Decatur, Georgia

Gibbons, Kenneth Savannah, Georgia

Grovner, David Anthony, Jr. St. Simon Island, Georgia

Hassouneh, Anwar Rasmi Amman, Jordan

Mitchell, Bruce Anthony Athens, Georgia

Richards, Robert, Jr. Savannah, Georgia

*Wilborn, Clifford Mark Savannah, Georgia

*In absentia

Mechanical Engineering Technology

*Al-Tajer, Mohamed Tareef - Cum Laude	Banama, Bahrian
Kashani, Jafar Hajkazem - Cum Laude	Tehran, Iran
Craig, Donald Wayne - Cum Laude	Midway, Georgia
Al-Mutairy, Saad Shabeb Hamdin	Houston, Texas
Hubbard, William H.	Albany, Georgia

Computer Science Technology

Levatte, Vivian T. - Magna Cum Laude	Damascus, Georgia
Christmas, Darrie - Cum Laude	Americus, Georgia
Ellison, Roy Eugene - Cum Laude	Lakeland, Florida
Terrentine, Ursula - Cum Laude	Atlanta, Georgia
Benning, Wanda	Atlanta, Georgia
Grubbs, Sunzra	Ailey, Georgia
Jenkins, Lisa Renee	Savannah, Georgia
Mitchell, Sharon Yvette	Hardeeville, South Carolina
Myers, Collen Alesia	Savannah, Georgia

Computer Technology

Ellison, Roy Eugene - Cum Laude	Lakeland, Florida
Grubbs, Sunzra	Ailey, Georgia
Mitchell, Sharon Yvette	Hardeeville, South Carolina
Williams, Nelson	Statesboro, Georgia

Triple Majors

Electronics Engineering Technology, Computer Science Technology and Computer Technology

Christmas, Darrie - Cum Laude	Americus, Georgia
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Double Majors

Electronics Engineering Technology and Mathematics

Jones, Lorna Faye - Summa Cum Laude	Nashville, Tenn.
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Accounting and Information Systems

Granade, Mary Tallulah - Cum LaudeSavannah, Georgia

Political Science and Marketing

Lee, Claude Jamaal, III - Cum LaudeSavannah, Georgia

Computer Science Technology and Computer Technology

Ellison, Roy Eugene - Cum LaudeLakeland, Florida

Terrentine, Ursula - Cum LaudeAtlanta, Georgia

Benning, WandaAtlanta, Georgia

Grubbs, SunzraAiley, Georgia

Mitchell, Sharon YvetteHardeeville, South Carolina

NOTE: Appearance of a name in 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.

GRADUATES OF HONOR SOCIETIES

Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Honor Society

Lynne N. Blakley
Roy E. Ellison
Sunzra Griggs

Janice Denese Jackson
Urusala Terrentine

Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society

Polly A. Andrews
Darrie Christmas
Zewdu Fekede
Vivian Flowers

Lorna F. Jones
Sherrie J. Parrish
Anderson Phillips, III
Vernonica Wright

Delta Sigma Pi International Fraternity

Anita Barnum
Juanita Brooks
Lonnie Evans
Bernice Giles

Tonya Howard
Gloria Johnson
Myra Gordon
Sonjua Williams

Pi Gamma Mu

Mildred Cynthia Calhoun
Claude Jamaal Lee

Tau Alpha Pi National Honor Society

Mohamed Al-Tajer
Felicia Cochran
Eric L. Cook

Donald Craig
Zewdu Fekede
Lorna F. Jones

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 prayful 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

1987 Summer School June 22-August 26
1987 Fall Quarter Freshmen, September 13
Upperclassmen, September 18



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 degrees, 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 the shape of the hood make this distinction. The bachelor's and master's hoods are three feet and three and half feet in length, respectively; the doctor's hood is four feet in length and 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 degree 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 are 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
Music	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 members wears the color of his alma mater.