Commencement Convocation 2006
South Carolina State University

Friday, May 12, 2006 • 7:00 p.m.
Oliver C. Dawson Stadium
Orangeburg, South Carolina
The Seal

The university seal is comprised of the following carefully sculptured symbols: a palmetto tree, a miniature building and a torch. The palmetto tree stands in the center of the seal and represents the official tree of South Carolina. At the base of the tree, on the left, is a miniature of Morrill Hall symbolizing education and history. Morrill Hall, one of the first buildings constructed on the campus was named in recognition of the Morrill Act which established land-grant colleges in the United States. South Carolina State University is a member of the land-grant system. On the right side of the tree is a torch which connotes a deep devotion to truth: “Scientia, Officium, Honos,” meaning Knowledge, Duty, Honor. The seal is used on all official documents of the University. The seal was designed for the Inauguration of Dr. M. Maceo Nance, Jr. as fifth president of South Carolina State University in 1968 by Dr. Leo F. Twiggs, Professor of Art at the Institution.

The Mace

The Mace has an ancient history as a symbol of authority. During the thirteenth century, it was used for civil purposes and during the processions of royalty and other dignitaries.

The Mace symbolizes the autonomy and authority of the University, the Board of Trustees, the administration, and the faculty to grant degrees to graduates and represents one of the oldest traditions in academia. The University Mace was designed by Dr. Clarence W. Hill, School of Engineering Technology and Sciences, during the Fall Semester of 2003. The Mace is carried before the president and other dignitaries of the platform party during commencement and other formal processions.

The University Mace was commissioned by Dr. Andrew Hugine, Jr. and presented during his inaugural ceremony as the ninth President of South Carolina State University. Dr. Hugine’s vision for the design of the mace included “full capture of the strength of the University, as evidenced in its history.” He envisioned the Mace representing “the significant growth, prosperity and vitality for the future of the University.” The Mace design is reflective of and captures the rich history of the University while embracing the challenge to preserve its legacy as a land-grant institution.

A brass multi-ring base supports the 42” elegantly crafted walnut fluted staff with brass rings bearing the names of former University presidents. This ornate feature presents eight bronze engraved panels. Engraved on four of the eight panels are the three historic seals of the University and the seal of the State of South Carolina. On three of the remaining panels are the names of the University from beginning to present. One panel is blank to capture future developments. Two marble plates, one garnet and one blue, serve as the base and top plate for the uppermost part of the Mace. The pinnacle of the Mace is a sphere, having two faces: one face with Morrill Hall, one of the first buildings on the campus, and the second having the President’s Seal, representing the University’s leadership and global presence in higher education.
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Since its founding in 1896, South Carolina State University has evolved from a small teachers’ college into a major university center of learning.

One of the most attractive campuses in the Southeast, the University is located in Orangeburg, South Carolina, which is centrally located between the capital city of Columbia and the beautiful seaport city of Charleston. South Carolina State University is one of two land-grant institutions in the Palmetto State. The University is state-assisted and draws its students from all over the United States and various foreign countries.

The approximately 5,000 students enrolled at the University have a choice of more than fifty different fields of study on the undergraduate and graduate levels. The academic programs are housed in three colleges and one graduate school. The degree-producing academic divisions of the University include: the College of Business and Applied Professional Sciences; the College of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences; the College of Science, Mathematics and Engineering Technology; and the School of Graduate Studies. The School of Graduate Studies offers programs at the master’s, educational specialist, and doctoral levels. The University also provides undergraduate and graduate courses through Distance Learning and Continuing Education.

In support of its mission as a land-grant institution, South Carolina State University also administers an Extension Program of service to the people of the state of South Carolina. The Institution makes a special effort to contribute to the intellectual and cultural life of the community through numerous co-curricular offerings and special activities such as its lecture series and its lyceum presentations.

The main campus is comprised of 160 acres and more than sixty buildings. Adjacent to the main campus is Queens Village, housing for married students.

South Carolina State University supports fifteen NCAA varsity sports, which have brought the Institution more than eighty-five conference championships and seven national titles.
May 12, 2006

To the Graduating Class of May 2006:

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of May 2006. Your graduation today evidences your commitment to serve as productive citizens in a global society. You represent the future of our communities, our state, the nation, and even the world. The members of the administration, faculty, and staff are honored to have provided you with a quality education that ensures successful careers in your chosen fields of study. Continue to build upon the knowledge and experiences that you have gained during your matriculation at the University. Go forth as leaders and contributors to our ever changing society and as ambassadors of our beloved Alma Mater by building upon your SCSU rich heritage and proud legacy. I congratulate you and celebrate your achievement. The world awaits your much anticipated arrival.

Sincerely,

Andrew Hugine, Jr.
President
The Program
Dr. Andrew Hugine, Jr., President ~ Presiding

PRELUDE ................................. Symphonic Band

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL – War March of the Priests  Mendelssohn ................................. Symphonic Band
(Audience is requested to remain seated)

POSTING OF COLORS-National Anthem ................................. ROTC Color Guard

SCRIPTURE AND INVOCATION ................................. Dr. John H. Corbitt
Member, Board of Trustees

MUSIC – “Hallelujah” from the Mount of Olives  L. van Beethoven ................................. Concert Choir

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ................................. Dr. Roderick McDavis
President, Ohio University

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS ................................. President Hugine and Dr. Jo-Ann D. Rolle,
Vice President for Academic Affairs

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES ................................. DOCTOR OF FINE ARTS
Mr. Philip Simmons
Renowned Artist

CONFERRING OF DEGREES ................................. President Hugine and Dr. Rolle

READERS:
Dr. Harriett Gregg, Associate Professor of Speech Pathology and Audiology
Dr. M. Evelyn Fields, Assistant Professor of Family and Consumer Sciences

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS ................................. President Hugine

INDUCTION OF GRADUATES INTO THE
NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ................................. Ms. Patricia B. Lott, President
South Carolina State University National Alumni Association
(Inside back cover)

REMARKS ................................. President Hugine

ALMA MATER ................................. Audience, Concert Choir and Symphonic Band

RETIRING OF COLORS ................................. ROTC Color Guard

BENEDICTION ................................. Dr. Corbitt

RECESSIONAL - Pomp and Circumstance  Edward Elgar ................................. Symphonic Band

Graduates and Guests: Please remain seated until the platform party and faculty have recessed. At the conclusion of this program, please proceed to the President’s Reception in the Fine Arts Center. The Reception will begin no later than thirty (30) minutes following the conclusion of the commencement exercise.

Audience: Please join in the singing of the Alma Mater (Inside back cover).

Mace Bearer
Dr. Isa Saliman

Concert Choir
Dr. Richard Beckford, Director

University Bands
Mr. Eddie Ellis, Director

Marshal
Dr. Jo-Ann D. Rolle

Commencement 2006
Dr. Roderick J. McDavis became Ohio University’s 20th president on July 1, 2004. A native of Dayton, Ohio, he received a bachelor’s degree in social sciences in secondary education from Ohio University in 1970, making him only the second university alumnus to lead the university as president. He received a master’s degree in student personnel administration from the University of Dayton in 1971, and a doctorate in counselor education and higher education administration from the University of Toledo in 1974.

Dr. McDavis served as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, as well as Professor of Education, at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Va., from 1999-2004. He was Dean of the College of Education and Professor of Education at the University of Florida from 1994-1999. He was Dean of the College of Education and Professor of Counselor Education at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, from 1989-1994. He served as the Director of the Arkansas Academy for Leadership Training and School-Based Management from 1992-1994. He was Professor of Education in the Department of Counselor Education at the University of Florida from 1974-1989 and an Associate Dean of the Graduate School and Minority Programs at the University of Florida from 1984-1989.

Dr. McDavis has served as Chair of the Board of Directors of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE). His primary interests and publications include restructuring teacher education programs, improving public schools and districts, counseling ethnic minorities, recruiting and retaining minority students and faculty, and evaluating student personnel programs. He has authored or co-authored chapters in books, monographs and articles in professional journals and other publications.

Dr. McDavis has served as a consultant and keynote speaker for universities, community colleges, public school systems, human service agencies, professional associations, community organizations and churches. In 1995, Dr. McDavis was named Person of the Year in Education by The Gainesville Sun. He was named the 1996 Outstanding Alumnus of the College of Education at Ohio University. He also received the Post-Secondary Outstanding Educator Award from the North Central Florida Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa in 1996. Dr. McDavis also received the 1997 Black Achiever’s Award in Education from the Florida Conference of Black State Legislators.
Recipient of The Honorary Doctorate of Fine Arts
Mr. Philip Simmons, Renowned Artist

Artist Philip Simmons, now the most celebrated of Charleston ironworkers, was born on Daniel Island on June 9, 1912. A Charleston resident since 1919, he attended local schools but received his most important education from local blacksmith Peter Simmons, who ran a busy shop at the foot of Calhoun Street. Here Philip Simmons acquired the values and refined the talents that would sustain him throughout his long metalworking career.

Moving into the specialized fields of ornamental iron in 1938, Simmons fashioned more than five hundred decorative pieces of ornamental wrought iron: gates, fences, balconies, and window grills. The city of Charleston from end to end is truly decorated by his hand.

In 1982, the National Endowment for the Arts awarded him its National Heritage Fellowship, the highest honor that the United States can bestow on a traditional artist. This recognition was followed by a similar award by the South Carolina state legislature for “lifetime achievement” and commissions for public sculptures by the South Carolina State Museum and the City of Charleston.

Simmons was inducted into the South Carolina Hall of Fame in Myrtle Beach, SC on January 31, 1994. The “Order of the Palmetto” the highest award given in the state, was presented to him by Governor David Beasley in 1998. In May of 2001, Philip Simmons received the Elizabeth O’Neill Verner Governor’s Award for “Lifetime Achievement in the Arts.”

Pieces of his work have been acquired as well by the National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution; the Museum of International Folk Art in Santa Fe, NM; the Richland County Public Library, Columbia, SC, the Atlanta History Center, Atlanta, GA, and the Daniel Island Company, Daniel Island, SC.

In 1989, the vestry and congregation of his church (St. John’s Reformed Episcopal Church, 91 Anson Street in downtown Charleston), dedicated the grounds of the church to develop a commemorative landscaped garden as a tribute to his exceptional mastery of wrought iron and in recognition of his inspirational character and self assurance.
Candidates for Undergraduate Degrees

The academic honors of Summa Cum Laude (3.75-4.00), Magna Cum Laude (3.50-3.74), and Cum Laude (3.00-3.49) are designated in the commencement program for undergraduate students with outstanding scholastic records based on their current cumulative quality point averages where A=4, B=3, C=2 (See page 13).

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- Tracy Mershelle Wise
- Shondra La’Trese Woodard

**Magna Cum Laude**
- Rachel Denise Bradford
- Karelle Nicole Clark
- Deaneille Reena Dean
- Chanell Lakia Harris
- Jennifer Rene Sanders
- Roxanne Angela Sargeant
- LaToya Aisha Ann Wellington
- Tiffany Denise Willis

**Cum Laude**
- Olive Aneno
- Bridget Belcher
- Adrienne Denise Butler
- Bridgette D’Larice Butler
- Faith Nicolette Cohen
- Stacey Ann Gleaton
- Melissa Lee Diggles Hamilton
- Melanie Shaunte Hodge
- Ronald Quintrell Holman
- Takeria Nicole McCallum
- Shadeeka Mendez
- Lesha Burns Miller

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Keristen Sarah Nelson
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Joni Ann Still
Geronda Melissa Stroman
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Ketuni Meshay Webb
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Rhonda Chanell Williams
Shonda Ternell Williams

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**Summa Cum Laude**
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Deidrick Rashad Capers
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Tremaine Sherri Robinson
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Kiera-Nicole Elaine Lee
Cheneir Alexandria Neely

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Andrew Alexander Thompson
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from the Class of May 2006

Eddie Bryant
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Erik Jones
Benjamin Nakamura

The Symbols of Learning

The Academic Procession
The academic procession of today’s commencement exercises is
made up of candidates for degrees, members of the faculty, members
of the Board of Trustees, and members of the platform party
marching in that order. After the ceremony, the order of march is
reversed except that graduates are dismissed at their seats.

The order of march is in accordance with academic protocol
which was established centuries ago when academic ceremonies
were predominantly directed by the clergy. In keeping with the
familiar order of the religious procession, the younger and newer
groups precede the older, and the place of highest honor is at the
end of the procession.

Academic Attire
The academic costume worn at American college exercises today
dates back in its essential features to the Middle Ages. The oldest
universities of northern Europe, such as Paris and Oxford, grew out
of church schools. Students and faculty wore clerical garb, largely
borrowed from the monastic dress of their day.

The head-covering of the academic costume developed out of
the skull cap worn by the clergy in cold weather. In the universities,
this skull cap acquired a point on top which gradually evolved into
a tassel. In this country, it has been replaced by the familiar mortar-
board, which still retains the medieval tassel.

The hood was originally worn over the head, and otherwise
dropped onto the shoulders, like a cowl. Today, each college or
university has its distinctively colored hood-lining, by which its
graduates may be recognized in academic processions.
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Harry Briggs*  Doctor of Laws  2004
Eliza Briggs*  Doctor of Laws  2004
Levi Pearson*  Doctor of Laws  2004
Essie Mae Washington-Williams  Doctor of Education  2004
Earl G. Graves  Doctor of Laws  2004
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Concert Choir

**Sopranos**
- Elizabeth Barrett
- Diandra Britton
- Crystal Brown
- Andrea Calloway
- LeKeatra Daniels
- Latisha Holloway
- Derrell Jenkins
- Courtney Johnson
- Amadi Jones
- Avril Robinson
- Crystal Simmons
- Jocelyn Weston

**Altos**
- Finee Brooks
- B. Oreal Conyers
- Chasity Lamb
- Devonnia Miller
- Lesley Peace
- Kadina Sangster
- Deana Scott
- Geronda Stroman
- Glenda Toms

**Tenors**
- Christopher Andrews
- Myron Bess
- Jamaal Brown
- Thomas Davis
- Antwane Harrison
- Marcellus Holt
- Derrell Jones
- Stephon Miller
- Johnny Richardson

**Basses**
- Adam Alimi
- Christopher Brown
- Tavares Brunfield
- Michael Cherry
- Steve Frost
- Jatannio Grier
- Darris Jackson
- Allen Lester
- Joshua Owens
- McKenzie Singley
- Travis Thompson
- Brandon Williams
- Edward Woods

Symphonic Band

**Trombone**
- Ashley Lattimore
- Zelverick Gordon
- Sitha Lam
- LaDaisia Glen
- Mark Robinson
- Tiara Vaught
- Jonathan Whitfield
- Brandon Miller
- Kendrea Hodges
- Lionel Brooks
- Roderick Holland

**Clarinet/Bassoon**
- Nicholas Bratcher
- Reneicia Walker
- Mark Watts
- Sylvia Lee
- LaQuita Alford
- Cecilia James
- Kristen Charles
- Tiara Gordon
- Xyvina Williams
- Candace Gordon
- Tamika Greenwood
- Quentin Turner
- Auriel James
- Jennifer Goodwin
- Lanishia McClintock
- Sophia Taylor
- Courtney Thomas
- Paula Johnson
- Amber Freeman
- Gail A. Pennant

**Flute**
- Larissa Jones
- LeKretia Gonzales
- Stephon Miller

**Trumpets**
- Jessica Jeffrey
- Brittany Deas
- Venetia Lyles
- Quanti Mims
- Doneshaia Reynolds
- Mia Roetherford
- Ashley Brown
- Jekela S. Burgess
- Tiffany Grant
- Joy Noel Vaughn

**Baritone**
- Kendall Crawford
- Tina Webb
- Jerone Mikell
- Zelverick Gordon
- Shaun Lampkin
- Albert Shuler
- Larry Bowden, Jr.
- Marvis President
- Jennifer Buie
- Benjamin Jones
- Mark Wilson, II
- Chris Simpson
- Deondre Holmes
- Daron Breland
- Chris Phillips

**French Horns**
- Deniese Thomas
- Darvin Harvey
- Emmanuel Barnette
- Crystal Mungin
- Scott Epps
- Treymane Fritz
- Jimmy Williams
- Joseph Rouse
- Candace Grier

**Saxophone**
- Ollie L. Taylor
- Michael Trickey
- Derek Williams, II
- Cierra Reaves
- Angela Whetstone
- Sharad McNutty
- April Cox
- Shedric Pierce
- Amy Simmons
- Chris Floyd
- Gabriel Anderson
- Kenneth Brabham
- Treasure Holland
- Tyrone McCollum
- Yewston Myers
- Brandis Howard
- Delvin Boswell

**Tuba**
- Desmond Williams
- Yolanda Bennett
- David Hughey
- Brandon Lilienthal
- Nathaniel Simmons
- Garrick Rivers
- Brandon D. Hopkins
- Brendan Glaze
- Desmond Scott
- Michael Turner
- Kelly Wiggins
- Allen Hunter
- Robert Jackson

**Percussions**
- Daniel Jones
- Devin Jenkins
- Fernandez Brown
- Irvin Stegall
- Prince Brewington
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2006 SUMMER TERM
Registration - Wednesday, March 22, 2006 - Monday, May 29, 2006
Classes begin - Session I - Tuesday, May 30, 2006
Late Registration - Tuesday, May 30, 2006

2005 FALL TERM
Registration - Wednesday, April 5, 2006 - Tuesday, August 1, 2006
Late Registration begins - Wednesday, August 2, 2006
Classes begin - August 23, 2006
**STATEITE CREED**

As a member of the community of scholars at South Carolina State University, I obligate myself to the pursuit of academic excellence, model citizenship, and cultural and social inclusiveness.

As a Stateite . . .

- I will assume personal responsibility for my intellectual, cultural, and social growth.
- I will practice academic integrity.
- I will value the individualism and the dignity of all people.
- I will respect the rights and property of others.
- I will work for the common good of South Carolina State University in both my speech and actions.

As a South Carolina State University scholar, I affirm and embrace the above principles and ideals.

**ALMA MATER**

Sing the praise of Alma Mater
Let us rally to her call
Lift our voices, send them ringing
Thru the groves and classic halls.

Hail! Hail! Dear Alma Mater
Hail! Hail! Dear S.C.C.
We’ll defend and honor
Love and cherish thee.

We are loyal sons and daughters
Proud to own the name we bear
For the truths that thou has taught us
Ready all to do and dare.

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I hereby solemnly pledge allegiance to my Alma Mater in appreciation of the opportunities for development afforded me at South Carolina State University. I pledge active membership in the National Alumni Association wherever I may be. Through association with my fellow alumni, I shall forever do my best to uphold the ideals and traditions of my Alma Mater. I pledge to exemplify high ideals by rendering positive and dignified service to the community, state, nation, and world, thus living to bring honor and respect to my Alma Mater.
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