

# A profile of the 2010 commencement speakers

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**Ian Townson**, a four year senior from Boiling Springs, SC majoring in Business and Organizational Leadership will

be speaking at graduation. He currently lives off campus, in Brevard.

**Megan Street:** How do you feel about getting chosen to speak at graduation?

**Ian Townson:** I feel that it is a once in a lifetime opportunity and I am deeply grateful for being chosen.

**MS:** What do you plan to say?

**IT:** Wouldn't want to ruin a good speech by giving away the ideas, but, it will follow convention and hopefully serve to be uplifting and congratulatory.

**MS:** How do you feel the audience will take what you say?

**IT:** I hope that the audience is receptive and responsive. I would hate to be that guy who told bad jokes during a graduation speech.

**MS:** How will they feel?



**IT:** As far as my fellow seniors go, I hope they feel as though I am speaking for them and about them. I do plan on making references and intend to leave no graduating student out.

**MS:** How are you going about researching what to say?

**IT:** I have been listening to famous speeches to find the right flow and possible quotes. I have always enjoyed history and I think it is appropriate to keep a good quote at the ready.

**MS:** What is your motivation?

**IT:** My motivation will be that, for the most part, graduating seniors will be finished with their academic careers and therefore it will be a day of remembrance.

My goal will be for all the seniors to look back and remember a speech that not only congratulated them on their accomplishments but also inspired them to keep going in a quality direction.

**MS:** What is your plan about speaking?

**IT:** My plan is to approach this as a professional as it is a very serious day. However, I really want to have fun with it and make it special so hopefully it won't be too dry.

**Jami Perry** is speaking at graduation and is a fifth year senior from Greenville, SC majoring in elementary education. She is currently back home student teaching and

preparing for her new life in the world of teaching.

**Megan Street:**

How do you feel about getting chosen to speak at graduation?

**Jami Perry:**

I am looking forward to speaking and feel extremely honored to have been asked.

**MS:** What do you plan to say?

**JP:** I plan to talk about the past four years at Brevard, all the changes and transitions we have encountered, as well as look towards the future.

**MS:** How do you feel the audience will take what you say?

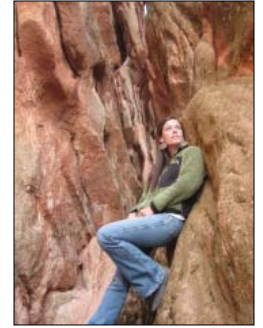
**JP:** I hope the audience will be inspired as well as encouraged.

**MS:** How are you going about researching what to say?

**JP:** I am going to speak from my experiences as well as our class as a whole.

**MS:** What is your motivation?/What is your plan about speaking?

**JP:** I plan to get insight from Dr. Hamlett and practice A LOT!



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