

The Many Concerns of a College Senior

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Ready...set...graduate! This concept seems pretty simple right? Not for many.

As a senior, I have three major concerns.

The first is pursuing my career after I have completed my undergraduate studies.

At this time, like many others, I am weighing options concerning entering the workforce or continuing into postgraduate studies.

I've seen first hand what the corporate setting has to offer and being that I grew up just making it, the perks are very tempting.

The actual task of just

obtaining a position in corporate America is a regular 9 to 5.

Attending full-time graduate school supports my philosophy of "getting things over with," but hopefully, this last year will offer the insight needed to make the proper decision.

My second concern is actually receiving my degree on time.

There's no worse feeling in the world than inviting your entire family to a graduation that you have just learned that you will not be attending.

I've seen this happen the week before graduation to too many of my friends and

I'm determined to let them serve as my example.

The advisor and department secretary meetings are great, but a timely school audit is priceless.

The emotional price for still needing that one class to fill degree requirements and having to wait another five months to graduate is something that I would wish upon no one.

My solution? Whatever I need to do, the earlier the better.

Preparation is the key to success.

Lastly, I know that I'll never make it through this last year unless I enjoy

myself. Senior year is usually a bitter sweet nine months.

I plan to suck all of the sweetness out of it that's possible.

The bitter side comes second semester as we near graduation and realize that we'll be departing from our close friends.

My impression left on others during this last year is ultimately the one that will have the most impact and will be remembered the most.

Some of these relationships will carry on with us for the rest of our lives.

Others may be the

relationship that helps us get the jobs we want or just provides that needy recommendation.

Whatever your "senior concerns" are, make sure that you give them the proper attention.

Some individuals have been known to experience senior year more than once.

This group is allowed the chance to correct any errors from the previous year.

My advice is to make your senior year just that—a senior year.

Leave the "s" to make "award" plural during honors and awards day in April.

FSU Student Leaders Extend a Warm Welcome to the Class of 2006

Welcome to the home of Bronco Excellence Class of 2006.

My name is Arkeem L. Fleming and I am the Student Government Association Student Senate President Pro Tempore.

To the freshmen, I wish you well in all of your endeavors.

You have made a great step in your lives that will allow you to excel past some of your peers who have chosen not to attend college.

You must never take this experience lightly. Many of you have arrived here and embraced this opportunity.

Be sure not to misuse this freedom. Attend your classes, join organizations, and most importantly, voice your opinion on issues that affect you as freshman and your fellow collegians.

Some of you may be wondering what the position of senate president pro tempore entails.

Basically, I am the assistant to vice president.

I oversee the Student Senate's committee chairpersons, and I am the vice chairman of the Student Elections Board.

I congratulate all freshmen that participated in the recent student elections, especially those

who won the positions.

I am a firm believer in the slogan, "From Fayetteville State, You Can Go Anywhere."

I challenge you all to become involved with your dorm councils and your class officials that you may well become effective and stellar members of the Bronco Community.

On behalf of the FSU Student Government Association, I extend a warm greeting to all of my new Broncos.

I am your SGA Attorney General, Brandon K. Bittle.

My job consists of representing the Student Government Association concerning all legal matters, overseeing all impeachment procedures, and assisting the President and Vice President in everyday obligations and duties.

As Attorney General, I also have a seat on the Executive Board of SGA.

My first obligation is to you students, helping and assisting you all with problems you may experience.

If there is anything that the Student Government Association and/or myself can assist you with, don't hesitate in giving us a call at 910-672-1708.

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What is your most memorable moment at FSU?

Watching the class of 2000 graduate, and when the first student came back to FSU to say "hello."

What is your favorite FSU tradition or event?

Homecoming week and graduation. I have the chance to see students plan and organize on a social level and then on an academic level.

How do you see FSU in five years?

In five years I believe FSU will be recognized as a three-dimensional university that reaches out the community and aggressively embraces students with the best faculty and staff.

What is your inspiration?

God is my inspiration. The longer I live I have a greater appreciation for who He is and what he does in my life and the lives of others.

What keeps you smiling?

Spontaneous, unscripted actions of students.

Describe your teaching style. How do you feel others respond to it?

I believe I am fair and consistent. I listen to what others are saying even though I may not agree with them.

What are your short-term and long-term goals?

My short-term goal is to finish the Doctoral Program in Higher Education Administration with a concentration in College and University Leadership from North Carolina State University.

What is your personal motto?

My personal motto is Proverbs 3:5: Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. Remember the Lord in everything you do, and He will show you the right way.