

Dr. Juliette Bell named Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

FSU Press Release

A biochemist who was valedictorian of her high school and college graduating classes, and was once cited as a "Giant in Science" will be the new Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at Fayetteville State University (FSU).

Dr. Juliette B. Bell, dean of the College of Basic and Applied Sciences, professor of chemistry, and director of the Biomedical Research Program at FSU was confirmed for the appointment today during a meeting of the University of North Carolina Board of Governors in Chapel Hill. Bell was selected for the position after a nationwide search.

"Dr. Bell is a renowned scholar and a highly qualified administrator," said FSU Chancellor T.J. Bryan. "We are extremely fortunate to have someone of her caliber assist Fayetteville State University in becoming one of the nation's preeminent institutions of higher education. She will play a vital role in FSU's quest to increase its academic offerings at both the undergraduate and graduate levels."

Bell, a native of Talladega, Alabama, earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry from Talladega College. She earned a doctorate in chemistry with a concentration in biochemistry from Atlanta University in 1987.

That same year, she joined the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Biochemistry and Nutrition. While at UNC, Dr. Bell was named a Carolina Minority Postdoctoral Scholar and also received a National Research Service Award Postdoctoral Fellowship from the National Institutes of Health. In 1990, Dr. Bell joined the

Laboratory of Molecular Genetics at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina as a Senior Staff Fellow.

After serving in that capacity for two years, she joined the faculty of FSU in 1992 as an associate professor and later as director of the Biomedical Research Program. Dr. Bell

was appointed as interim dean of the newly formed College of Basic and Applied Sciences in January 2004 and as dean in July that same year.

As dean, Dr. Bell has lead FSU in development of new 21st century programs including biotechnology and forensic science.

She lead in the development and accreditation of the new B.S. degree in nursing and has been a key player in the cutting-edge fire science partnership between FSU, FTCC, Fayetteville Fire Department, and Cumberland County Schools.

In her role as Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, Dr. Bell will serve as the chief academic officer, responsible for all matters related to academics at the university.

"It has been my pleasure to be a part of the FSU family for the past 13 years.

I am extremely excited to have this opportunity to serve FSU in an even greater capacity," Bell said. "In my role as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, I will work diligently to facilitate FSU's path to preeminence.

As an educational institution, our successes are measured in the number of students that we touch, encourage, and influence. Our job is to change lives for the better."

Bell is a prolific grant writer, having garnered more than \$6 million in grants to support biomedical research at FSU.

She has also trained numerous undergraduate and master's students to enter biomedical professions.

Her research on enzymes involved in DNA biosynthesis and mutagenesis has been presented at national conferences and has been published in professional journals.

She is an active member of several national professional organizations including

the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, where she serves as the chairperson of the Minority Affairs Committee.

She serves as an expert consultant on research and minority program issues to public, private, and governmental agencies such as the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation.

Safe Sex: Better for Your Health

By Latoya Brown and Jaron Goodson

We've all heard the saying "Abstinence is the best medicine." Safe sex is always preached in college, but few choose to listen to it.

Research has shown that more than half of college students use condoms consistently, and almost 25 percent has never used them at all.

Research has also shown that more than half of students with a history of sexually transmitted diseases had sex while infected, and 25 percent of them continued doing so without informing their partners.

Seemingly, college students consistently underestimate their risk for sexually transmitted diseases, and engage in risky sexual behavior anyway. That is the reason the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that 9.5 million, or half, of the 19 million new cases of STD's this year, will be among people aged 15-24 years old.

Estimates entail that one in every two sexually active people will contract an STD by the time they are 45 years old. While statistics are climbing a message seems to be very clear, you need to make USE OF CONDOMS.

To help translate safe sex knowledge into actual skills, practice the

following tips:

- Having sex while intoxicated significantly increases your risk for STDs. Between 30-50 percent of college students report having sex while intoxicated without using protection.

- Many people are embarrassed to admit their sexual histories and it is easy to underestimate a partner's sexual experiences. One study reported that 30 percent of college students had ten or more partners.

- Use condoms during every sexual encounter and use them properly. Just because someone says they are STD free, doesn't mean they are. Less than half of adults 18-44 years old have ever been tested for an STD other than HIV. Also, many STDs like, chlamydia, genital herpes, and HPV infection, to name a few, have no visible symptoms.

Stop making excuses and protect your bodies. There is no excuse for anyone having a sexually transmitted disease these days. "The condom doesn't fit me" line does not work any more.

The smallest condom can fit around an adult's fist; proving this myth is UNTRUE! Protect yourself, and protect others.

21 Questions to consider

by Fayetteville State University Students

1. Did Winston cheerleaders not realize "Go sit down" was a direct clue to what we wanted them to do?
2. Are we the only school smart enough to know that you don't dance to a direct diss?
3. How are you going to be wearing a mink, but ordering off of McDonald's Dollar Menu?
4. Why were people mad because they didn't get a t-shirt at the basketball game?
5. Did you know that "Dirty Dicks" was a seafood restaurant at Myrtle Beach?
6. Don't you wish Spring Break was during the CIAA now that it's in Charlotte?
7. How in the world do the Greek plots get messed up EVERY year without witnesses?
8. Do the Greeks need to hire a full-time officer for plot detail?
9. Have you ever been to an SGA meeting?
10. If SGA is a popularity contest, then how come no one shows up to the meetings to see who won?
11. Did you know that the SGA President could play ball?
12. Who told the Greeks they were too good to chant at the basketball games?
13. Don't ya'll know the first colors you wore were blue and white?
14. Aren't the equipment upgrades in Spaulding Infirmary a waste of time since we don't have the staff to operate them?
15. What if a cure for AIDS were in a book all of this time?
16. Have you voted Kaity Parson MISS CIAA yet?
17. Aren't you glad every school plays in the CIAA tournament, regardless of regular season records?
18. Is George Bush listening to your phone calls or reading your e-mails?
19. Why are you at the Basketball game looking like your going to the club?
20. Did you know that employers are now looking on Facebook and denying jobs to people with scandalous pages?
21. Have you been turned down for a job lately?

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