

CAREERS

Briefly

Program reaccredited

Livingstone College's Social Work Department, under the leadership of Chairman Dr. Timothy C. Okeke, has been reaccredited until 2022 by the Council on Social Work Education's Commission on Accreditation. The reaccreditation follows the addition of three social work evening and weekend courses.

Social work is one of the more popular majors at Livingstone, graduating 19 students last year. Currently, the College has 80 students majoring in social work, and several of them are in the process of obtaining internships at various agencies and organizations in Salisbury and Rowan County.

"In today's society when, unfortunately, many families are fragmented and the job market continues lagging, social workers are becoming increasingly more important," said President Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins Sr. "Our social work department continues making great strides toward preparing students for the vital work they're going to be performing after they graduate. I am confident the numbers of students choosing to major in social work here at Livingstone College will continue growing, and also that the department will continue adequately preparing them for the noble profession."



Jenkins

Recently, seven social work students were inducted into the Lambda Xi chapter of Phi Alpha Honor Society. To become a member, students must maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA, and many of Livingstone's social work graduates go on to obtain master's degrees and Ph.D.s, according to Okeke.

LWS seeks applicants

Leadership Winston-Salem, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary, is accepting applications for the nine-month 2014-15 Flagship Program.

Enrollees develop rich relationships while discovering ways to use their unique talents to help Winston-Salem and Forsyth County thrive. The program offers rare, behind-the-scenes insights into our community.

Those interested in learning more about the program may attend an information reception on Thursday, April 24 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required as space is limited. Register at leadershipws.org. Information and the program application are also available on the web site.

Selection for the program is based on a variety of criteria designed to select a class of participants who reflect the demographic diversity of Forsyth County. Previous classes have included existing and emerging leaders from business, government, education, health-care, and the non-profit sector as well as a mixture of ethnicity, age and gender. An ideal candidate will also have demonstrated experience in community involvement, an interest in learning more about Forsyth County and a strong desire to improve the community.

Inmar settles in downtown

Winston-Salem-based Inmar hosted a grand opening celebration at its new downtown Team Support Center and Headquarters on March 31. During the celebration, which included an appearance by the Winston-Salem State University band, Inmar Chairman and CEO David Mounts and leaders from the Innovation Quarter announced a collaborative effort with neighboring Wake Forest School of Medicine's Division of Public Health Sciences (PHS).



Mounts

In January and February, Inmar relocated approximately 900 associates to renovated RJR Tobacco Company buildings formerly known as 90-1 and 90-3. The buildings were transformed to a LEED-certified Platinum facility that accommodates Inmar's technology-centered product and service offerings and its highly skilled technologists, data scientists and retail experts.

Eric Tomlinson, CIO of Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center and President of Wake Forest Innovation Quarter, shared that the first meeting between Inmar and PHS generated an idea that could deliver more efficient mechanisms for clinical trial recruitment. The result has the potential to reduce significantly the time-to-market for life-changing treatments for patients and generate revenue for the businesses involved.

"Tenants of the Innovation Quarter such as Inmar and the Division of Public Health Sciences are collaborating to accelerate innovation and bring valuable, sought-after products and services to market faster and more effectively," Tomlinson said.

Several promoted at WSPD

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Winston-Salem Police Chief Barry D. Rountree has promoted seven police officers and two non-sworn personnel.

Lt. Catrina Thompson was promoted to captain and will command the Criminal Investigations Division.

Thompson is a 20-year veteran of the Police Department. During her career, she has served in the Field Services Bureau/Patrol Division, the Recruiting Unit, the Training Division and the Criminal Investigations



Thompson

Division. She has a bachelor's degree from Wayne State



Penn

University and a master's degree from Appalachian State University. She is a

graduate of the West Point Leadership Program and the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association's Command and Executive Institutes.

Sgt. William Penn was promoted to lieutenant and Corporals Kevin Bell and Eric Johnson were promoted to sergeants. Officers Mark Grant, Christopher Rakes and Kevin Shay were promoted to corporals.

Tonya Joyce was named the supervisor of the Forensics Services Squad, and Ouida Patten was named Senior Administrative Assistant.

Pride has new role at A&T

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Nicole Pride has been appointed the chief of staff at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University by Chancellor Harold L. Martin Sr.

In this role, Pride will serve as the principal liaison and adviser to the chancellor, as a member of the chancellor's executive cabinet, and will provide strategic and operational support for internal and external constituencies.

"Nicole has a proven track record as a dynamic leader and strategic thinker who understands the mission and vision of North Carolina A&T and the pathway to Preeminence 2020, the university's long-range strategic plan," Martin said. "Her contributions to this university have been outstanding and I am confident that she will be a significant asset in her new role as chief of staff."



Pride

In collaboration with other members of the cabinet, Pride is now responsible for planning, organizing and driving the initiatives and activities of the Office of the Chancellor, as they relate to the internal operations and the external relationships of the university. The other duties of the position include managing and overseeing the Chancellor's Office and his day-to-day engagements, coordinating and supporting the Board of Trustees and Board of Visitors and serving as the liaison between UNC General Administration and the campus community.

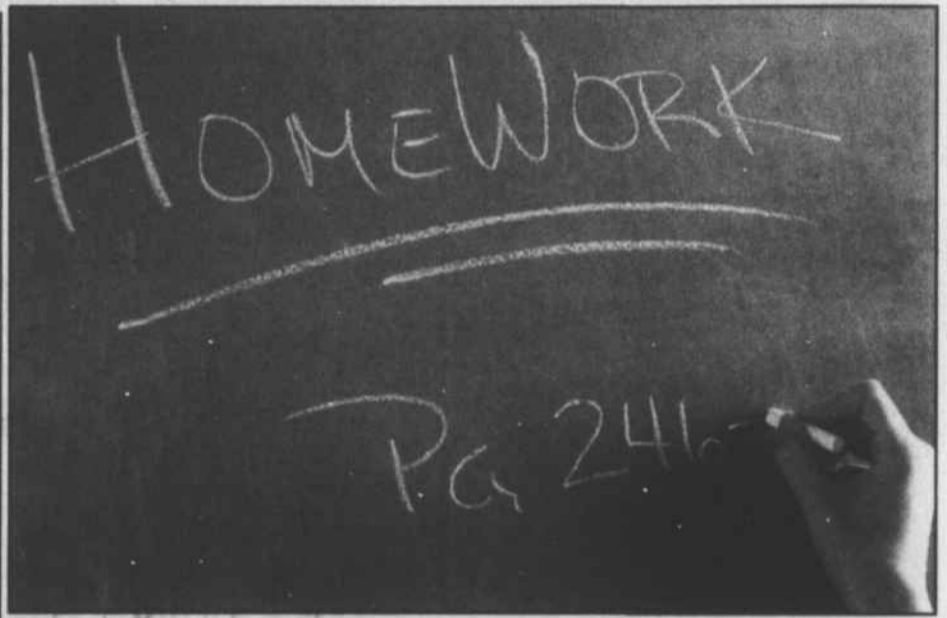
Pride joined N.C. A&T in August 2010 as the associate vice chancellor for university relations.

In August 2013, Pride began serving as interim vice chancellor for the Division of University Advancement. Pride also serves as a member of the university's senior leadership team, executive director of the N.C. A&T Foundation and an ex-officio member of the Aggie Athletic Foundation and National Alumni Association boards.

Prior to joining A&T, Pride served as vice president for development and communications for the Child Care Services Association in Chapel Hill. For almost a decade, she also served in numerous capacities at IBM, including marketing program manager, corporate learning division and manager of corporate community relations and public affairs. Before IBM, she was an assistant director of alumni relations at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

A native of Orange, N.J., Pride received a B.A. degree in business management and B.A. degree in economics from North Carolina State University and her M.A. degree in corporate and public communications from Seton Hall University. She is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in organizational leadership at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Pride has two sons, Turner Jr. and Todd.

"It is an honor to be selected as chief of staff for North Carolina A&T State University," said Pride. "I look forward to the opportunities and further engagement with students, faculty, staff, alumni and our external stakeholders to fulfill the strategic mission of this university."



Local teachers awarded grants

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Eighteen local teachers have received grants from Winston-Salem Foundation. A total of \$26,934.00 was granted to the teachers, who were picked by a selection committee made up of professional educators.

The grants are intended to offer innovative and results-oriented educational experiences for teachers to improve their teaching ability and enhance the subject or content being taught in the classroom.

The following teachers received grants:

- Kelly Capps, Easton Elementary School, \$1,565 to attend the International Society for Technology in Education conference;

- Jenni Carowan, Jefferson Elementary School, \$500 to attend the North Carolina Reading Association conference;

- Kelly Cavanaugh, Career Center, \$2,500 to engage a well-known speaker on organic farming to work with students;

- Karen Evans, Career Center, \$2,000 to study art history in Italy;

- April Gamble, Ashley Elementary School, \$2,000 to participate in the Creativity Workshop;

- Steve Hanf, R.J. Reynolds High School, \$600 to attend the Gettysburg Yearbook Experience;

- Anna Hartgrove, Hanes Magnet School, \$234 for online courses on technology; the Creative Classroom and Teaching Students with Autism;

- Ashley Hayes, Hanes Magnet School, \$215 to attend the North Carolina Music Educators Association annual conference;

- Marie Antoinette Kurucz, Smith Farm Elementary School, \$1,800 to attend the Two-Way Bilingual Immersion Conference;

- Virginia Mahrle, Bolton Elementary School, \$1,800 to attend Camp Snowball;

- Melissa Moore, Parkland Magnet School, \$1,800 to attend the International Baccalaureate Conference of the Americas;

- Linda Morris, Parkland Magnet School, \$1,800 to attend the International Baccalaureate Conference of the Americas;

- Laurel Naughton, Career Center, \$2,500 for a learning opportunity on the Blackfeet Reservation;

- Brad Rhew, Walkertown Elementary School, \$1,100 to bring National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration professionals to work with students;

- Laurie Schaefer, Mt. Tabor High School, \$2,100 to attend the Council of Teachers of English annual convention;

- Landon Sims, R.J. Reynolds High School, \$1,500 for a cultural exchange in Costa Rica;

- Amy Whicker, Northwest Middle School, \$1,120 for Tinkerplots software;

- Raquel Witmer, Smith Farm Elementary School, \$1,800 to attend the Two-Way Bilingual Immersion Conference.

Curry gets White House internship

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Bennett College's Shemiah Curry, a junior elementary education major/sociology minor from Chicago, was selected to participate in the White House Internship Program. The White House Internship Program provides a unique opportunity to gain valuable professional experience and build leadership skills.

The hands-on program is designed to mentor and cultivate today's young leaders, strengthen their understanding of the Executive Office, and prepare them for future public service opportunities.

She will serve as an intern during the upcoming spring semester.

"(I'm) elated, overwhelmed and appreciative of the selection," she said. "This means something! It feels like a dream come true."

A long-term career goal of hers is to be able to advocate for effective policy-making concerning education. As a product of the Chicago Public School System, Curry knows firsthand that the reason some students fail is because there is minimum effective policy in place to protect their academic and personal needs. She hopes her experience as a White House intern will teach her a little bit more about how education and politics correlate with one another.

"At the end of the day, I just want to absorb as much I can from this experience so that I can help this world be a better said."



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Shemiah Curry will begin internship later this year.