

# NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY

## A&T Is The Place To Be



**explore. discover. become.**

In a perfect world, all students aspiring to higher education at N.C. A&T State University would walk into the admissions office with all their requirements met, stellar exam scores and money in the bank saved up to pay.

They would have carefully thought out goals for the future and have completed exhaustive research on several schools most likely to help them meet those goals, then chosen the best - A&T - prepared to take full advantage of its abundant academic and extra-curricular offerings.

"College is about more than going to class and taking exams - it's taking a person from who they are now and transforming them into who they want to be," says Lee Young, A&T's assistant vice chancellor for enrollment management and director of admissions. "This is a process that really should start in the eighth grade."

This also is the real world, and nobody understands that better than Young and the team he leads - a team dedicated to extending the magic of an Aggie education to as many students as they can. Prospective students of all types - young or older, rich or poor, fully prepared or needing a little help - are welcomed at A&T.



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Chancellor James C. Renick says A&T has quality educational opportunities for students. "We invite parents and students to visit our campus and see all the wonderful advantages of an A&T education. Our faculty and staff are very serious about preparing students for challenging careers in a highly competitive, global arena."

Central to the Aggie educational experience are strong academic programs in the university's eight schools and colleges, and the interdisciplinary programs that cross their lines, such as new certificate programs in global studies, entrepreneurship and motorsports.

Dr. Carolyn Meyers, the university's provost and chief academic officer, has made maintaining a challenging academic environment A&T's foremost priority.

"We consider it a sacred trust when students commit their educational yearnings to A&T," she says. "The promise we make is to provide them with the high-quality teaching and learning they need to ensure success in their future endeavors."



Provost Carolyn W. Meyers

From increasing the number of online degree programs to keeping the F.D. Bluford Library open 24 hours, A&T is a player in the emerging global information economy and is utilizing the required new approaches to higher education that emphasize engagement, discussion and relevant practical experiences - at home and abroad.

At the same time, however, the university remains rooted to its legacy of providing personal advising and nurturing.

With an average 20:1 student-faculty ratio, classes at A&T are small enough to allow for personal attention. And while 95 percent of full-time faculty hold doctorate or other terminal degrees, none are so highfalutin that they don't have time to talk with students.

Still, academics are only part of the experience at A&T, which has the same high standards for its athletics, bands, ROTC, and other student activities.

"We have tons of student organizations, fraternities and sororities, intramural sports and Lyceum events," Young says. "If you don't take advantage of all of that, then you really do cheat yourself out of a total Aggie education."

Part of Young's mission is to make sure students aren't cheated by not knowing about A&T and all that it offers. That work increasingly requires him and other members of the enrollment management team to travel.

"We have a traveling group of university representatives who go to selected cities and talk to parents and students about what it takes to be an Aggie," Young says, citing such requirements as grades, scores and attitude. "We talk to them and explain about the variety of student services that are available to make their transition from high school to college seamless and easy."

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