

## LANCE EXCLUSIVES

**How do you feel about St. Andrews becoming a University?**

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In *The Lance's* Feedback Poll, respondents had the option of revealing their name, and based on what some of you said, I can see how you wouldn't want to do that.

In any case, any change requires adjustment -- even for those of us in favor of it. In a lot of ways, we all know it won't be easy. And in a lot of ways, we all know that there's still more to find out. It's all part of the continual evolution of St. Andrews. We are evolving! This change puts us from center into the 21st century, so just think of the possibilities!

Regarding the graduate programs, they will happen. If you take a look at our front page article, you'll see what the president says about that. But, all good things take time, and it will be worth the wait. As far as the issue with the sports teams go, we have been told that none of you will lose your scholarships, and things will work out favorably. But we must be supportive of St. Andrews, if that can happen. But you must believe in your place here, if you want to maintain it. St. Andrews needs your support, and it will support you in return.

Obviously, this name change and change in status has some of us thinking nostalgically. Many of us who arrived here as students of a college will leave here as graduates of a university. Many others will always think of themselves as part of the college, and what is now an important part of the institution's history. That being said, look to *The Lance's* "Exclusives" in the coming months for some interesting trivia on the history of St. Andrews, including a recurring fea-

ture focused on the history of *The Lance*.

Then, not only will you know where we came from, you might just get a sense of where we're going! Look for all this and more, in upcoming issues of *The Lance*.

**Responses:**

Now you need to offer Graduate Degrees in Business and Education. - Anonymous

I think it is definitely a good thing and was probably being planned months ahead of time, but the timing of it being announced right after the NCAA situation made it look like St. Andrews is just trying to keep the doors open. I know that was simply coincidental, but I'm sure it affected the way a lot of students viewed the announcement. - Will McCandless originally class of 2011

University designation is more reflective worldwide of all we offer. - Dr. Brown

I am excited that my first year teaching here involved college and university teaching!

How are student athletes supposed to excited, when the school failed to follow up and maintain NCAA status? In addition, we are now a university with out a single established Graduate Program! Bad timing, bad foresight, lack luster to say the least. - Anonymous

Losing the NCAA Division II status has had a greater impact than the name change announcement. - Anonymous

As an alumnae of SAPC, I was delighted to have been present at the Founders Day Picnic. I hope that the new name of SAU will prove to be a great asset to our School. We must all remember that change, although at times challenging, is a good thing and

often a necessary part of progress. - Anonymous

Yes we are now a university but we are no longer NCAA - Anonymous

Seemed like a genuine effort to detract our attention from the negativity, rather than a calculated move for the better of the university. And it was frikkin' raining. - Anonymous

It is so great for both St. Andrews and the St. Andrews community that we are now a University. What wonderful opportunities it will bring for the current population here and for many generations of new students to come! - Colin Armstrong 2014

This action better positions us nationally and in the world as a quality four-year institution. The name St. Andrews is magic while the university part denotes a more comprehensive array of programs and degrees. - Anonymous

The educational image that goes with "university" will be a plus. The verdict is still out about possible impact created by dropping the word "Presbyterian". John Gay class of 59 and 78

I was glad for the step up and opportunity for higher education. I was however upset about losing the NCAA status, it was the main reason I enrolled in here. - Anonymous

For people that are graduating this year it may feel odd to come back and it may even feel like coming to a completely different school. On the other hand I do feel like we've never truly been a Presbyterian institution and the name change does work through that aspect. - Ceaira Griffin -c/o 2011

It is a great move - WOW what opportunities - Anonymous

With no graduate programs of our

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