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ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY'S NEW HIRES

Human Resources

The ECSU Vikings would like to greet the following Faculty and Staff Members to our family and to older members in new positions, congratulations:

Division of Academic Affairs

General Studies

W. Beatrice Beasley, Reading Specialist

Division of Business & Finance

Housekeeping

Ms. Linda Dewald, Housekeeper

Division of the Chancellor

Athletics

Mr. Fred Batchelor II, Instructor/Head Women's Basketball Coach

Mr. Jeremy Henry, Lecturer/Assistant Football Coach

Ms. Stacy Sage, Athletic Trainer

Mr. Marcus White, Lecturer/Assistant Football Coach

Division of Enrollment Management, Planning, Research & Outreach

Small Business Technology & Development Center

Mr. James Whitley, Small Business Specialist

Division of Student Affairs

Residence Life

Mr. Warren Basket, Director of Residence Life

School of Arts & Humanities

Language, Literature & Communications

Dr. Joseph Lisowski, Associate Professor

Dr. John Luton, Associate Professor

Ms. Ida Muldrow, Assistant Professor

Music

Ms. Amelia Harris-Horne, Assistant Professor

Dr. Penny Kwiatkowski, Assistant Professor

Social Sciences

Dr. Melody Brackett, Visiting Assistant Professor

Dr. Margery Coulson-Clark, Associate Professor

Dr. Rebecca Seaman, Associate Professor

School of Business & Economics

Dr. Joe Barrett, Associate, Professor

Mr. Harvey, Beasley, Lecturer

Ms. Joyce Green, Visiting Assistant Professor

Dr. Freda McBride, Associate Professor

School of Education & Psychology

Dr. Sandra Copeland, Assistant Professor

Dr. Linda Lisowski, Associate Professor

Mr. Terry Mitchell, Diagnostic Testing Coordinator

Mrs. Anne White, Associate Professor/Middle School Education

School of Math, Science & Technology

Biology

Dr. Camellia Okpodu, Marshall A. Rauch Distinguished Professor

Ms. Crystal Saunders, Lecturer

Chemistry & Physics

Dr. Lei Zhang, Visiting Assistant Professor

Geological, Environmental & Marine Sciences

Dr. Ms. Katheen Fischer, Assistant Professor

Ms. Elizabeth Noble, Project Coordinator

Mr. John White, Visiting Assistant Professor

Math and Computer Science

Dr. Nwojo Agwu, Assistant Professor

Mr. Melvin Anderson, Instructor

Dr. Jamiiru Luttamaguzi, Assistant Professor

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Mr. Antonio Rook, Instructor

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Dr. Howard Price, Visiting Associate Professor

ECSU ADDS TWO NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS

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At a meeting on March 6, the Board of Governors of the University of the North Carolina System voted in favor of the establishment of two new bachelors degree programs at Elizabeth City State University- one in Mass Communications and the other in Aviation Science.

The School of Arts and Humanities, which encompasses the Department of Language, Literature, and Communication, will offer a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mass Communications.

A committee was formed to recommend that there be a new degree program, which was approved by Dr. Velma L. Blackmon, Chairperson of the Department of Language, Literature, and Communications. Once the recommendation had the approval of Blackmon, the proposal went to a Planning Committee. After that, the idea was later presented to the Board of Trustees. From the Board of Trustees, the proposal had its final approval by the Board of Governors.

According to Blackmon, the department's new Communication Studies Program will enable students to concentrate on studying Mass Communications and its spe-

cialty areas.

"The students who are in the communications studies are no longer required to take Shakespeare, Literary Criticism, History of the English Language, English Literature, and American Literature, but they will be able to take course that will steer them in the direction of the Communications Master's or career in communications," said Blackmon. "Students will need course in Communications Law, Communications Theory, Communications Management, and other courses that will make them more marketable as they pursue a degree."

The Mass Communications program will also increase internship opportunities for students and better prepare them for professional media careers.

"Hopefully, we can sponsor additional internships for students where by they will be more prepared going into the work force; rather than one internship they would have two," said Blackmon. "They will have more courses under their belts in the field of mass communications. Students will be better able to go into management and other different new media courses. They will be better prepared to go into industry as communications professionals, such as public relations specialists, media specialists and technical writers."

In order to accommodate the anticipated number of students who will be majoring in Mass Communications, many changes will take

place.

1. Johnson Hall will be renovated and refurbished. Moore Hall, which currently houses the School of Business and Economics as well as The Department of General Studies, will make provisions for the faculty and staff of the Department of Language, Literature, and Communications. The Department will temporarily operate out of Moore Hall during the construction at Johnson Hall.

2. ECSU is seeking new faculty members. Prior to January, the University had posted openings for faculty positions. A committee was formed to help review prospective applicants. The committee included Mr. Shawn Smith, Language Arts Instructor and Director of the University Players, Dr. Venus Deonanan, Spanish Professor, Dr. Samuel Moore, Language Arts Professor, and Mr. Stephen March, Language Arts Instructor and Advisor for *The Phoenix* Magazine.

There will be a new program that will offer a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Aviation Maintenance Management with one of three concentrations; Computer Science, Business Administration, and Electronics. Students with a B.S. degree in Aviation Science can pursue a career in Air Traffic Management, Air Craft Manufacturing, Air Craft Manufacturing, Air Craft Operations, Maintenance Facilities, Safety and Aviation Weather Reporting.

According to Dr. Carolyn Mahoney, who is now the Vice

Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the program has been in the making for about a year.

"We started thinking about bumping this up as a major program about a year ago," said Mahoney.

In designing and developing, and implementing the Aviation Science degree program, the department of Mathematics, Science, and Technology collaborated with Elizabeth City's Coast Guard to better assist students and expand their academic opportunities.

"We're pretty excited about the Aviation Science Program," said Mahoney. "We think that being in Elizabeth City with the Coast Guard Base, and that being that the Coast Guard Base here in Elizabeth City is one of the largest Coast Guard bases in the nation, the new program will be well aligned with what students want to do. We had a wonderful opportunity to partner with the Coast Guard and collaborate with them."

Mahoney would recommend this program to students who are interested in the whole aviation science industry.

This is a very strong program of preparation for that," Mahoney added.

The course guidelines for the new programs will be featured in the 2002-2004 ESCU Catalog.