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## Joelle Davis To Head SGA 1993-94

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A Middle Grade education major from Oxford, N.C. will preside over WSSU's Student Government Association during the 1993-94 academic year.

Joelle Davis, who has served twice as President of the class of 1995 (freshman and sophomore years) will be WSSU's fifth female SGA President since 1985.

On April 5th, Davis gave her acceptance speech before WSSU's student body, while other candidates were giving their campaign speeches. In her speech she outlined a plan which involves "a pilgrimage to a new

WSSU."

On this pilgrimage Davis will first get rid of student apathy. She plans to do this by having the student body work with her. Secondly, Davis wants Black History Studies to become a requirement at WSSU. She feels that all historically black universities should teach about the heroes of our great culture just as we know other great achievers. Next, Davis wants community involvement and also the support of alumni. She wishes to have funds and support in areas like the band and female athletics. She also wants to use the black entrepreneurs in our community to invest their "black" dollars into the university.

Lastly, Davis wants the freshman to be guided by the upper class students, student leaders, SGA, faculty and administration. She is concerned about their feelings as they come into college life. Davis thinks that they sometimes feel lost and need to discover a new identity therefore, they may need guidance from the people that surround them at the university.

Ironically, Davis ran unopposed for the top student position on campus. Alvin Cates, SGA Vice-President 1992-93, had previously entered the race, but later withdrew his name.

Outgoing SGA President William "C.C." Carter said he thinks Davis will bring "flavor to

the cabinet".



Joelle Davis, SGA President

Davis feels she has the ability to carry out the duties of SGA President and says, "If you don't scale the mountain you will not see the view."

## Mel Watt To Keynote WSSU Commencement

Office of Public Affairs

U.S. Congressman Mel Watt, D-NC, who was elected to the newly established 12th Congressional district in 1992, will deliver the keynote address at Winston-Salem State University's commencement exercises at 9:45 a.m., Saturday, May 8th, at the

Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

An attorney and a businessman, Watt is a former state senator. He



Mel Watt

was the manager of Harvey Gantt's campaign for the Charlotte City Council, Mayor of Charlotte and the 1990 challenge against U.S. Senator Jesse Helms.

Watt, whose 12th Congressional district includes Winston-Salem State, serves on the subcommittees of two

powerful House Committees, Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs and Judiciary.

He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He received the juris doctor degree from Yale University in 1970.

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