



# STUDENT Features

## New dean of health sciences looking ahead

**By Claresa Simmons**  
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As the new dean of the School of Health Sciences, Dr. Sylvia Flack said she "would just like for [students] to know about the career opportunities there are out there [in health sciences]."

The new dean makes this her primary goal as growth and advancement are a huge issue in her department.

Flack began her first semester as dean of the School of Health Sciences last fall. She has been on

the campus of Winston-Salem State University for 12 years. She has contributed to the department in the capacities of Coordinator for Nursing, Division Director for Health Sciences, and interim dean of the School of Health Sciences.

While speaking of her contributions to the department, Flack said, "There were things that I had not completed that I still wanted to do here."

Now, her position as dean has given her the status to start working on



Photo courtesy of Health Sciences Dept.  
**Sylvia Flack has worked at WSSU for 10 years.**

those things to enhance the growth of the depart-

ment. She is trying to establish programs for students to receive Master's Degrees in Nursing or Bachelor's Degrees in Healthcare Administration.

Although the School of Health Sciences is undergoing construction in the F.L. Atkins building, the improvements may not be enough with all of the implementations of new educational programs.

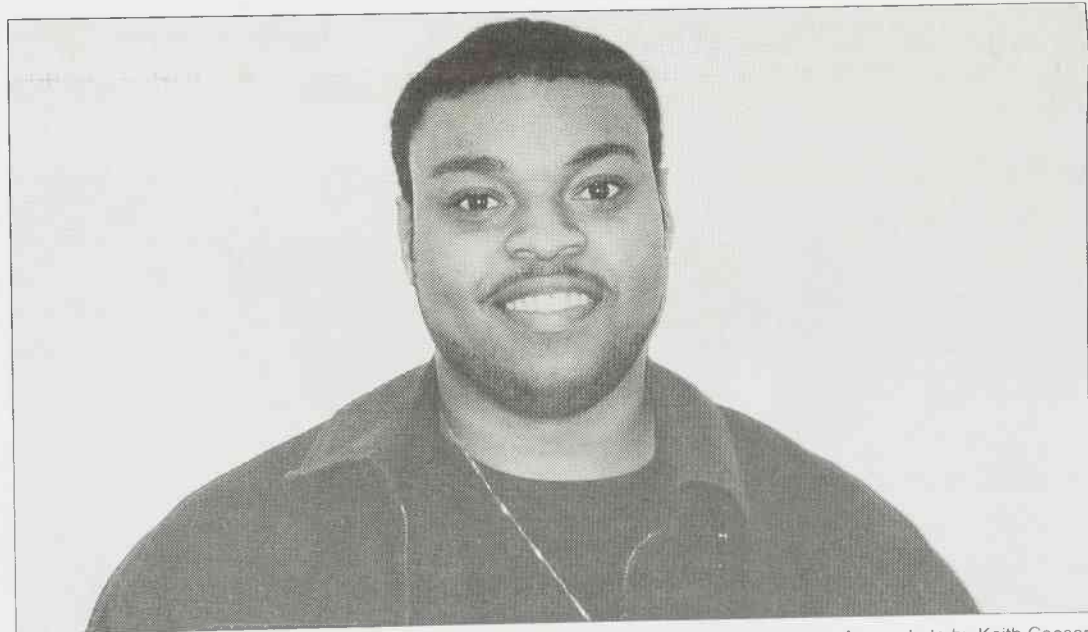
"We're just busting at the seams," said Flack of the growth of the department. "It's all long over-

due."

The addition to the building is designed to house components of programs she helped to establish in the areas of physical therapy and occupational therapy while providing more room for clinical laboratory sciences and nursing, which are all programs that are continuing to flourish.

At present, Flack has a desire to inform others

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Mass communications major Donnell Holmes credits his professors with preparing him for his trip to New York.

## WSSU student's essay earns him a trip to N.Y. ad conference

**By Nakida McDaniel**  
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Mass communications major Donnell Holmes and professor Sherrie Wallington went to New York City to participate in the American Advertising Federation's Most Promising Minority Students' Conference on Feb. 6.

Holmes became eligible after he wrote an essay concerning a minority pioneer in advertising, completed

the application process, and submitted his resume.

"I benefited a lot from the conference. I was able to make some lasting connections," said Holmes.

Over the weekend, Holmes and the other 24 finalists attended resume workshops and met and interviewed with recruiters from major corporations nationwide, including Heineken, Saatchi &

Saatchi, Darcy, and ABC.

Holmes said that preparing for the trip was tedious but he feels he was adequately prepared, thanks to Wallington and other professors in the mass communications department.

"Ms. Wallington and Ms. Roseboro are excellent professors and students should take heed

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## Some common names have deep meanings

**By Janell J. Lewis**  
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Deborah, Martha, Doris, Bernadette ... sound like the names of any of your friends? Chances are, probably not.

Some of the names that African-Americans hold today have been labeled as weird, crazy or just ghetto. What is in a name?

A great significance is attached to the naming of a child in Africa. It is believed that the name chosen will exert an influence for better or for worse on the life of the child. The question has been posed as to where some of the black names of today are coming from. Are parents getting ridiculous with these names, or is there meaning behind them?

It is not uncommon to meet a black female today named after a car or an alcoholic beverage with such names as Champagne, or Mercedes. Are these true African-

### AFRICAN NAMES

- Armani - Derivative of Imani, meaning faithful
- Aja - High priestess of Mecca
- Aisha (I-ee-sha) - She is life (Swahili)
- Ayana - Beautiful flower
- Chalondra - Smart
- Gina - Powerful mother of black people
- Imani - Faith

American names? Are they from television shows or a they maybe biblical names?

For some reason, there is a large amount of black females with names ending in "a" such as Latonya, Jaquita, Rolonda, and Devona. Why?

Well, if one were to look into it a little deeper, he or she could see that in Africa, Jaquita means bold, black, and beautiful. There is a man by the name of Juyuna (who-na),

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