Eight remain in chancellor search

The candidates to succeed Dr. Edward Fort will be interviewed this spring.

By Brian Carr
Register Staff

The field has been cut to eight candidates in the search for N.C. A&T's successor to Dr. Edward B. Fort.

The search committee met for six hours on a Saturday late last month, and gathered up a short list of candidates to interview.

"The process has gone too far to make any changes," the Rev. Howard Chubbs, chairman of the search committee, said when asked if there was still time for student input into the selection.

The search committee spent nearly 50 minutes behind closed doors, reviewing the resumes submitted by an executive search team that was originally charged with narrowing a field of more than 100 candidates to 18.

Candidate interviews will start sometime in March, Chubbs said.

UNC System President Molly Broad has said she plans to name the next chancellor by April. After the interviews, three finalists will be selected and the names will be turned over to the A&T Board of Trustees, which will submit them to Broad for the final decision.

Though the list has been shortened, Chubbs said there could be more candidates. Chubbs declined to reveal the names of the remaining eight, and would not say whether any of them are minorities.

Broad has insisted on a closed application process, explaining that an open process could scare away some top candidates who may fear losing their current jobs if information on their interest leaked out.

The search committee includes one student, student body President Nathan Ingram, who declined to comment.

The other members are trustees, faculty members, alumni and community members.

Six of the members are A&T graduates and three are women. The search committee met for the first time in September, four months after Fort announced his retirement plans.

The committee has stated the requirements of the next chancellor, including an ability to relate to students, alumni and industry executives and experience in leading a major research university.

Chubbs applauds Fort on Saturday for bringing the university up to today's standard in his 17-year reign. Before Fort came to A&T, UNC System auditors said the school's account books were unreadable.

Thanks to Fort, Chubbs said, the university is set to go higher.

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Student fees to increase for fall 2000

By Crystal L. Ward
Register Staff

N.C. A&T students will notice a fee increase beginning in the fall of 2000.

The fee increase will be used to renovate the cafeteria, build a parking deck, expand the Aggie shuttle service, provide 24-hour access to computer labs and enhance student ID cards.

The fee increase was approved by university trustees who were accompanied by Chancellor Edward Fort and his staff. Although the fee increase was approved by university trustees, final approval must be given by the UNC Board of Governors. The board will allow the university some discretion over the fees.

The parking deck addresses a long-standing student complaint, but the cure will cost. Under the fee increase plan, current parking permit prices of $60 will increase to $100.

Faculty and staff will be hit with a fee increase as well. Parking permit price of $90 for general parking and $150 for reserved will increase to $125 and $195 respectively.

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Students ticked by higher fees

By Edwin Sykes
Register Staff

Some N.C. A&T students have responded with opposition to the student fee increase that was approved last week.

"The students are already broke, and I don't see the results of the tuition that we are already paying," said Malik Dixon, a senior sociology major from Durham.

"Being I am an out-of-state student, tuition is high enough," said Jenell McKayhan, a sophomore finance major from Woodbridge, Va.

The $305 increase, which will include raising student parking permit prices from $60 to $100, was approved by the university's Board of Trustees during a meeting with Chancellor Edward Fort and his staff.

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HE SAYS: Men are "born pure"

By Edward Andrews
Register Staff

First of all, it is my duty as a male to remind you of the many, many, numerous women who have misled you in the past. Like Eve, who manipulated Adam into eating from the Tree of Life; or Delilah, who delivered Sampson in the hands of the Philistines; or Lorena Bobbit for viciously depriving John of his manhood; or Mary Ann for shipwrecking Gilligan and the rest of the crew on a deserted island; or Amanda on "Melrose Place," for sleeping with every man who ever visited (including the Domino's delivery boy); and a long list of others.

It wouldn't be fair to write this article without getting some input from our next best sex, the women of the world. So I reached out to... (includ...)

SAYS: I've been for a while now, and I've found that this is the case for many, many, numerous women. They will... (includ...)

About This Feature: "Battle of the Sexes"

Since the beginning of time, there have been debates. At the center of any debate is controversy. We have learned over time that certain questions can never be answered without controversy. For instance: Does it taste great or is it less filling? Which came first, the chicken or the egg? Did O.J. do it? Are you sure it was him? And of course, When are we going to get married?

Questions like these have been and will be debated for centuries. Unfortunately, another one of these philosophical questions demands our immediate attention. We must all come together as human beings, Americans, young adults and Aggies in order to address this question.

Help report campus events.

Join The Register staff.
We will meet at the Register House (located across from Graham Hall) on Tuesday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m.

SHE SAYS: Sincerity on women's side

By Jamie Wiggins
Features Editor

I've been to rate sincerity in rela-
Onions who would be the most
sincere, women or men? Female
students at N.C. A&T and UNC Greensboro seem to agree that they are more sincere. In fact, men who they say lack openness and honesty.

"Women get emotionally attached sooner than men," said Kristi Brown, a junior majoring in psychology. "Also, men have trouble showing their emotions or situations in any situation (death, sickness)...."

In a study conducted by Alan Feingold (1990, 1992) at Yale University, he summarized the results under differences in romantic attraction.

"The evidence is clear that women place more emphasis on their romantic partners' intelligence, character and education; men place greater emphasis on physical attractiveness."

How fickle are men? These results show that compared to women, men go into a relationship for all the wrong reasons. No wonder they can't remain sincere, their too busy looking for "another fine girl to get with."

Correction

The Music Review that ran in the Jan. 29 issue of The Register was written by John Atston.

Other females say men lack the maturity of women in dealing with relationships.

"Women mature faster, they tend to think more logically and are more confident towards the male," said Angel Shephard, a sophomore computer technology major from Selma.

"Women share the common beliefs that women are easily attacked and more open in relationships than the male. The women who shared their experiences and insights provided adequate information to back up their thoughts.

"Women become more physically, mentally and emotionally connected while they are in a relationship than the man does," said Shavonne Joyner, a sophomore psychology major from Wilmington.

"Women usually go into a relationship ready to give everything, whereas men go into the relationship with their guards up," stated Denna Ericson, a junior at UNCG majoring in nursing.

"Women are more trustworthy than men," said Quandra Moore, a UNCG freshman majoring in biology. "In relationships they end up getting their hearts broken because they expect more than men do."

"Women are looking for a commitment while men are looking for someone to just be there," said Takisha Little, a freshman at UNCG majoring in biology. "They are content being with their boys while women need someone to actually love."

Though everyone seems to agree that women are more sincere and dedicated to the male, that viewpoint is not universal.

"Most women are more sincere than men, however in the 90's we have a lot of women who do not give a damn about relationships, like most men," said Theresa Lloyd, a senior from Red Springs.

Although the question of who is more sincere is not applicable, it depends on the parties involved. As individuals, it is left up to our own standards and preferences to choose sincerity over dishonesty.
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$225, respectively.

"The increases in parking fees, meal
tickets, etc., also known as user fees,
have been increased in direct response
to our students requesting additional
services and in some cases a higher
quality of service," Fort said. "The in-
crease in parking fees is related to stu-
dents concerns for more accessible
parking, providing quicker access to
student facilities and increased stu-
dent/campus safety initiatives.

Additionally, the continuing in-
creased popularity of the university's
shuttle system which, given the need
for expansion, also necessitated a fee
increase. The increase reflected in din-
ing services will provide a quality fa-
cility where students can enjoy their
dining experience.

"Currently, student meal tickets are
$1.75, but after the service fee is ap-
plied, the meal tickets will increase to
$1.80.

The increase is geared toward the
expansion of the cafeteria and student
union. The hope is that students will
benefit from more food choices on
campus, as they have from food courts
at UNC Greensboro and other schools.
Included in the food court will be res-
aurants such as Kentucky Fried
Chickens.

Ten dollars of the increase will go
toward enhanced student ID cards.
The new card will be upgraded to a
higher quality bar code which even-
tually can be used for dormitory ac-
cess, meal cards and banking services.

The cards will also allow deposits
into bank accounts, from which stu-
dents can simply withdraw refund checks
rather than endure the infa-
mous long lines.

Students have had substantial input
on the fee increase, Fort said.

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"Students are looking forward to a
number of improvements that will
come from these increases," Fort said.
Among the plans are cafeteria reno-
vations, a new, 400-car parking deck,
an improved Aggie shuttle system, 24-
hour computer lab access and hous-
ing improvements. Students inter-
viewed said if an increase is inevitable,
it should be used for improved park-
ing and housing.

"It should definitely be designated
for parking," said Tamara Ross, a
sophomore marketing major from
Durham. "Parking is a big problem.
Housing and the cafeteria also need
improvement."

Eric Waddy, a computer science
major from Columbus, Md., cast his
vote for "raising the housing stan-
dards, better lighting in the stadium,
and for the upgrading of computer
networks."

Disson pointed to a number of areas
that need improvement.

"The money should be used for ser-
ices such as lecture series, career ser-
cices, counseling, and the development
of a religious studies program," he said.

The Student Government Associa-
tion sponsored a meeting for students
and university staff last week to dis-
cuss the proposed fees. Students gen-
erally dislike fee increases, said
Nathan Ingram, SGA president, but
when fees are necessary, students want
more information about how they will
keep student fees as low as possible.
Fort said. But consistent demands for
an increase in services may indicate a
need to change priorities.

"Under our current administration,
the goal has been to keep our student
fees as low as possible," Fort said.
"Also it should be noted that the North
Carolina State Constitution di-
rects the institutions of the University
of North Carolina System to keep tu-
ition and fee costs as low as possible,
thereby making education more ac-
cessible to all individuals.

"Our administration here at A&T, as
well as the Board of Trustees, have abided by this policy whenever deci-
sions are made concerning tuition and
fees. Traditionally, A&T University
has been one of the most accessible
of the 16 member institutions, while con-
tinuing to provide unparalleled aca-
demic excellence.

"In conclusion, students have re-
quested additional services and a
higher quality of services. In order to
facilitate the requests of the students,
certain fees have to be increased. The
student fee increase will definitely
benefit students and in turn benefit the
University."

Ingram was also submitted a ques-
tionnaire concerning the proposed
fees. The questions, and Ingram's an-
swers were:

How soon will the outcome of the stu-
dent fee increase become noticeable?
The outcome has varying timetables
depending on the project.

How will the money be distributed
among the different projects that are be-
ing discussed?
I do not have the figures on hand,
but $1.5 million must be raised by the
staff to aid in the development of the
parking deck.

Why can't the fees just apply to new
and transfer students?
Not all fees apply to everyone. For
example, only certain students will be
affected by the parking permit, and
meal ticket increase. If the student
doesn't park or eat on campus then
that student doesn't have to worry
about those particular fees. However,
all students will be affected by the ath-
etic, education technology and stu-
dent activity fees.

Although everyone may not use the
shuttle service, everyone has access to it.

A&T's goal in the past has been to
improve student experience.

"The students have significant input
regarding fees for services on cam-
pus," he said. "The first forum is that
of the SGA President who serves on
the University Fee Committee that is
charged with the annual review of all
fees.

"This fee committee is made up of a
cross section of individuals repres-
senting all areas of the campus, in-
cluding students, academics, and ad-
imistration. After this committee
reached a consensus on cost effective
fee increases, members of the commit-
tee met with the students in a forum
set up by the SGA so that concerned
students could review the fees.

"Lastly, the cabinet reviews the fees
and Board of Trustees grants final ap-
proval of the Chancellors recommen-
dations."

Nathan Ingram, the student body
president, conducted a meeting in con-
junction with the SGA for students
and university staff to discuss the pro-
posed fees.

"Students generally dislike fee in-
creases, but when they are necessary
the students want to make sure they are
getting something for their money," Ingram said.
Take your hat, your coat — and leave

By Sonia Clark
Managing Editor

The headline may be the traditional chant at HBCU sports exhibitions, but it also describes the ugly attitude of some Aggies.

The Jan. 23 match-up against Delaware State was the worse display of blue and gold sportsmanship by the fans and the players. We were mean, rude and downright nasty. It was indeed a bittersweet victory. I walked away from Corbett Gym with a bad taste in my mouth.

Granted there were several unfavorable factors in motion. And while two wrongs do not make a right, let’s recap some of the events leading to the madness. Topping the list is the undeniable fact that the referees calling the game are legally blind. Who hired these guys?

These refs made just a couple of ill calls in the first minutes of the game. However, it was the ref’s technical call on A&T’s Tony Mitchell’s slam-dunk that caused the crowd to become extremely agitated.

Clearly, there was a Delaware State player under the hoop and prolonged hang time by Mitchell was a safety precaution. Had he not held on, he probably would have broken the boy’s back. (Smart move, Mitchell.)

Mitchell handled the call like a man, but the crowd, myself included, did not give up so easily. The boos continued for several minutes. From there the ref’s continued to call fouls every 2 to 3 minutes, sometimes in even shorter time spans.

The bad calls began to affect both benches, and the players came close to blows. On top of that, the game could not flow because of all the interrup-
tion. I walked away from the crowd’s responsibility at a game is to cheer their team on to victory, not incite violence. The latter is what the Aggie crowd at this game opted for. Aggies began to make rude gestures and shout obscenities that would make the average sailor cringe.

There was even a fan behind me, who through-
out the entire game, kept shouting, “Break his leg!” At a game filled with tension, this was truly an ir-
responsible sort of “rah rah rhah.” Thank God Aggie players ignored the bothead’s words of encour-
agement.

Despite the wack calls, the crowd should not have added fuel to the fire. This only gives the refs more rea-
son to make stupid calls. It also creates an unhealthy atmosphere.

And a word for the team (thought we were go-
ing to leave you out, huh?), don’t allow the crowd,

the refs, the circumstances or anything else push you into a fight. Corbett Gym is “our house” and you don’t have to punch on the other team to prove that.

And when it came down to crunch time, the Aggie fans were lazy and stingy with the support. While we did a good job picking at the opponents, we were half stepping with the motivation. Nobody asked the question, “Hey Aggies how you feel? Do you feel like gettin’ up?”

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What is appropriate behavior at college games? Columnist says Aggies need to learn how to be more polite to opposing teams.

• Why did the SGA president shave his head?  
• Why do the motorcycle guys come out with the sunshine?  
• Are you tired of eating processed food from the cafe?  
• Why was Master P cut?  
• Don’t you spend most of your money on food?  
• Why don’t we have Cinemax or HBO on campus?  
• Doesn’t it seem like you always break up with your significant other around this time (Valentine’s Day)?  
• As long as you have a sticker, why can’t you park anywhere you want?  
• Why buy a parking sticker when you can’t always park?  
• When is that Student Union Renovation Project going to begin?  
• Why is it so hard to find a computer on campus that will print and have at the same time?  
• How many times have you been spat on by the air conditioners as you pass Himes Hall?  
• Why does Marcop insist on hiring so many rude ghetto kings and queens to serve us in the cafeteria?  
• Why do professors set strict deadlines for assign-
ments and then take a month to grade and return them?  
• How come students are too lazy to take up their trays in the cafeteria?  
• How many professors speak English as a first language?  
• Is it just us, or does the shuttle system always make you late for class?  
• What is the purpose of the alarms in the fe-
male dorms that go off regardless of who goes in or out?  
• How many times have you fooled yourself into thinking that you were going to the library to study?  
• How many times have you waited until the night before to start on a 20 page term paper?

Submit any rhetorical questions pertaining to the university or the community to The A&T Register’s city submissions box. We reserve the right to reject or edit materials. Entries will not be attributed to the writer, nor will they be returned.
SPORTSMANSHIP
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There were at least two times that Corbett was almost silent except for the sound of the ball and sneakers hitting the floor.

What kind of message does that send our team? Every time an Aggie has the ball in his hand the crowd should be on its feet. Less jeering, more cheering.

Another element adding to all this madness was the fact that the Delaware State coach was out of control. It seemed pretty clear early on in the game that he probably could have benefited from a MaMox moment. The fans, particularly those in the Dog Pound, began to ridicule him.

Even after receiving a technical foul, he continued to act a fool. Eventually, he closed his mouth and sat down. But before showing out for the Dog Pound. Had we taken the high road and left this man alone, we could have avoided 10 minutes of unpleasantness.

When the Delaware state fans (mostly members of their women’s basketball team) began to berate a few of our players, we took grand offense. It is true that you can not allow anyone to disrespect you in your own house. The bottom line is that you can put folks in check without pulling the welcome mat out from under their feet.

Someone behind me asked why is it that of late, the visiting teams do not bring their band, cheerleaders, etc. Another person replied:  “Probably scared.” I beg to differ. After observing the Howard, Central and Delaware State games, my theory is that AggieLand has a rep for a rude host.

The Delaware State crowd should have felt free to cheer their team on and perhaps take a few jobs at us. Because honestly, the last and key point in the game was that Delaware State can play.

Two forwards, Barrington Clarke and Darien Robinson, have sweet shots, nice moves and really gave the Aggies a run for the money. In fact, under different circumstances, the Hornets probably would beat the tar out of us.

I was sorry that I took my impressionable 5-year-old and 7-year-old to this game. It was supposed to be Youth Day. This is the kind of behavior I expected at the Howard and Central games. But alas the atmosphere there was more of unity and fellowship. Does the Aggie code of congeniality change because the other team is beating us or the calls aren’t going our way?

Even on our home turf we need to give props when the other team is better than we are.

Being a sore loser should not be an Aggie trait.

N.C. A&T Calendar

February 11
Volunteer Tax Assistance
MU Room 106 Noon – 2 p.m.

February 11
Urban Film Festival
MUB 4 p.m. – Midnight

February 12
Movie Night:
African-American Producers MUB 7 p.m.

February 13
A&T vs. Hampton University Men 2 p.m., Women 5:30 p.m.

February 14
YMCA Collegiate Sing-Out
For more info contact: 334-7817

February 15
A&T vs. Norfolk State University Men 7:30 p.m., Women 5:30

February 16
Relationship Series II – The Family
MU Room 101 7 p.m.

February 18-22
Richard B. Harrison Players present “Paper Dolls”
Robeson Theater. $8 General/$5 Students/3 A&T Students, 8 p.m.

February 22-26
African-American Book Sale
MU 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

February 23
Black Women in the Visual Arts
MU Room 101 Noon

February 24
Business and Finance on the
Web Workshop
IRC Computer Lab room 102 9 a.m.

Every Monday
Tutoring Sessions for
Standardized Examinations
Crosby Hall, Room 201, 5 – 6 p.m.

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You have the most beautiful eyes I have ever seen in my life!!!!
To: Joy Burns
From: B.W
I love you.

To: Bryce McClain
From: Yetta
Thank you so much for being there for me whenever I needed you.

To: Jeron Howie
From: Unknown
I still love you Boo!

To: My sisters of Aggie Land
From: K. Moses
Happy Valentines Day to all my Aggie sisters and may the Lord Bless You!

To: Ebony L. Artis
From: Secret Admirer
Happy Valentines Day, beautiful

To: Courtney A. Davis
From: Tomekia L. Quinn
Happy Valentines Day Baby!

To: Teresa Green
From: Andrea Lewis
Happy Valentines Day

To: Amar Johnson
From: Amina Johnson
I love you and wish you much success and love, Happy Valentines Day!

To: Terrell
From: Octavia S.
I love you.

To: Jason G.
From: Michelle M.
Ptolemy wasn't completely inaccurate when he said that the universe evolves around the earth. For you are my earth and the center of my life! Before I met you everything was at a standstill. However, now that you've come along I'm spinning all day because you are in my life and this geocentric view of things is excellent.

To: Darlanga McMillan
From: Joni Joyner
Baby, we have been together for almost two years. I know that we have been through some bad times but I want you to know that I will always love you. Other than God, you are the best thing that has ever happened to me and I hope that you will be around for a very long time. Happy Valentines Day!

To: All the Aggie Men
From: Unknown
Brothers, I wish you and yours the best may this day of luv be memorable and worth every penny you spend!!!! HVD!

To: Jamie Wiggins, Sonia Clark and Sharky Gomes
From: Jaimee Canty
Thanks for struggling with me. What would I do without you? Happy Valentine's Day!
Contact

Bitter sweetness is what I feel,
My feelings I know I cannot conceal.

I focus on the things I touch,
Not knowing that I needed so much.

Blinded by the things I see,
Somehow it was the vision imbedded within me.

Wishing it wouldn't be like this,
But I always seem to take too many risks.

Pushing myself further to do the best I can,
Trying not to make the same mistakes again.

Falling into a deeper hole,
The fear in my heart I cannot control.

Please, will you lend me a helping hand,
Before I give up all that I am.

Why do you feel you have to get some?
Do you call me only to see if I will come?

What is going on inside of your head?
Are you only out to get me in bed?

I only ask these question because I'm confused,
I willingly gave you what was mine, but it has been wrongfully misused.

If only I could say what I want to say to you face to face,
I wouldn't look at myself with such disgrace.

The reason why I feel this way is because of a simple fact,
It is the feeling I felt when we first made CONTACT.

— Eboni Duke

Valentine’s Day Poem

Can I be in your spotlight? Your light shines so bright in my life.
When I think of you I feel no shame, pain, nor strife.
I’m taking this time to show you that I have so much to share.
I can’t talk to you when you’re near, so I blush and stare.
In silence, I sit and wonder how I can express myself.
Or should I just store my feelings for you like books on a shelf?
Well, I couldn’t go on without trying, for your are worth your weight in gold.
Your skin is so light and soft, I don’t think it could ever grow old.
I’ve already pinched myself, and it hurt, so you are more than a dream.
Smother than cappuccino, and sweeter than any flavored ice cream.
No one has complete rule over my mind, body and soul.
But there is room in a chamber of my heart, so take control.

You are adorned in A&T Blue and Gold, cheering on Aggie Pride.
I sit on the sidelines at work, and I get your smile, and I can’t hide.
The fact that I may want to take you in my arms and sour.
My high comes down and later, I find myself alone on the gym floor.
Everyone’s gone after two teams have fought for victory.
The only thing there beside me is your memory.
A picture centered on my mental frame, but it is unnamed.
See, I don’t know who you are, and I have myself to blame.
I’ve been so shy that I can’t help but let you walk away.
I can only hope and wish that I can see you and speak each day.
From head to toe, from your legs to your lovely mole, I know you’re the one.
So, I’m going to ask you to give me a chance, before my heart is done.
That is all I can do now, besides hope that you will respond.
Charlotte Queen, the two of us will go above and beyond.

One love.
— The Waterboy, Tyler Ball

My Point of View

I’m a problem
medicine has never seen before.
Taking more lives
than the Viet Nam War.

All over the globe
people are afraid of me.
But if they took the time to think,
they wouldn’t have to be.

Oh yes, I’m a heartless killer
and it doesn’t matter who I get.
Young, old, black, or white
still haven’t avoided me yet.

And what I can do to a relationship
the possibilities are endless.
Once people discover you have me,
I can leave you friendless.

Just like my buddy cancer,
I’ll ruin your life.
But unlike him,
I’ve been spread from husband to wife.

Although I’ve been charged for many deaths,
Why should I care?
I’m one serial killer
that will never face the electric chair.

Maybe one day
you’ll manage to beat me.
But that won’t happen
until you have a cure or an effective way to treat me.

So keep on sharing needles
and indulging without wearing protection,
To increase your chances of suffering
from my lethal infection.

— Edward Andrews

We want your poetry & short stories
Submit entries to the stories submission box
on the Register House door.  

Keep it clean
“I hit my niche. I knew that teaching was what I wanted to do,” says Giselle Jones.

By Tanya Martin
Register Staff

Giselle Jones is a woman who wears many hats—wife, mother, professor, playwright and newspaper editor—and she is determined to wear them all well.

Jones was born in Germany, but spent most of her life in High Point. She has been married to Ronald J. Jones since October 1995, and her marriage is something that Jones does not take for granted. She realizes that God blessed her with a perfect example of a Godly man.

Her husband also speaks highly of his wife. “She is a very caring person,” says Ronald Jones. “I like the fact that she is highly intelligent and creative.”

Giselle and Ronald Jones have a 1-year-old daughter named Ashley Madison Jones.

Jones received her undergraduate degree at Spelman College in English and a minor in management organization. She returned to Greensboro upon graduation and worked in the accounting department at American Express.

“This job provided me with excellent training,” says Jones. “I grew in the areas that helped me there and in other places.”

Jones received her master’s degree in English from NC A&T in 1991. She is currently six hours into her educational leadership and foundation doctoral program at UNC Greensboro.

While pursuing her master’s degree, Jones taught as a graduate assistant at Bennett College. Along the way, a light came on.

“I hit my niche,” says Jones. “I knew that teaching was what I wanted to do.”

Jones taught freshman composition, research writing, African-American literature and creative writing at Bennett for five years before coming to A&T last year.

She also held a special five-week seminar on women in journalism for two years.

“I loved that,” Jones says. “People really grew and we learned a lot about ourselves.”

Jones also writes plays, a few of which have gone into production. The first, with a cast of about 60 kids from the Triad, was performed in 1989. Titled, “Celebration in Black America: A Religious Experience,” it was used to promote a United Way Campaign at Bennett. A second play, “Ebony Dreams,” was produced in 1991.

In 1990, Jones had the opportunity to visit five countries in Africa, living among the poorest and richest people there. “It was a very unique experience,” Jones says, “I saw two very different lifestyles.”

Jones takes full advantage of her experience and is quick to share it with others. Year-round, but especially in February, she visits schools and speaks on Africa. Her purpose, she says, is to let the children know that the people there are just like us.

“I was naive when I went and thought that I was going to see lions and elephants everywhere,” Jones says. “They had dogs and cats just like us.”

Her most recent accomplishment is a newspaper entitled “Our Voices Matter.” The first issue was published in January of 1998 and monthly editions are planned.

The paper was established as a forum for students to showcase their work and voice their opinions. “I felt like my article was hot,” says Kenneth McNeil, a junior civil engineering major from Brooklyn, N.Y. “And I wanted to show everyone else what I could do.”

Jones’ students speak highly of her as a person and as a professor.

“She uses teaching aids effectively to show examples of how to do work,” says Masha Hunter, a junior public relations major from Durham. “She is always there when you need her.”

Jones believes in an open-door policy between herself and her students.

“She kept the lines of communication open between her and the students,” says Yelena Edwards, a junior computer science major from Winston-Salem. “She is very nice and empathizes with the things that the students are going through.”

Jones is a woman with many talents and she knows how to utilize them all. She credits her relationship with God as the foundation of all her success.

She is seen as a woman on the move who will continue to follow her dreams.

“She has innovative ideas,” says her husband. “If anyone can do something, she can.”

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