Kennesaw State University

Commencement

July 28, 2016

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College of the Arts
Michael J. Coles College of Business
WellStar College of Health and Human Services

7 p.m.
Graduate College
Originally from Albany, Georgia, Dale Hughes grew up “all over” as his father was a career military man, so he thrives in new situations, embraces diversity and ideas, and loves taking on a challenge. A graduate of Emory University (B.B.A., Accounting) and The University of Georgia School of Law, Dale has been working with businesses of all sizes — including some of Georgia’s most respected companies — for 30 years in the roles of providing legal counsel, advising private shareholders, managing real estate initiatives, and serving in various corporate capacities. He was managing partner for the Atlanta office of the national law firm, Dow Lohnes. He was a Senior Vice President at Cox Enterprises, where he worked with the legal department, the real estate department, the family office/foundation and the energy department during his time at Cox.

Now, he and his wife Cindy run a family business named Jeremiah Consulting that focuses on historic buildings, community projects including new business incubation and mentoring. Among their incubation investments are community restaurants, a soccer company and a learning and work performance software company named one of the “Coolest New Businesses in America” by Business Insider. In their real estate and consulting efforts, they focus on renovation and revitalization in historic downtown areas.

He also teaches Business Law and Business Ethics as an Adjunct Professor. His priority, however, is family, and he is very proud of his three children: Lauren, Lindsey and Luke. Dale is also a mentor to individuals and businesses and has a love for investing in others through volunteering in programs with focuses on the needs of our local communities and individuals. His favorite pastime is driving around in his truck with his daughters’ dogs, Scout and Lucy, thinking about ways to grow and build community.
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JULY 28, 2016

7 p.m.
Houston Davis, Interim President
Presiding

PRELUDE  KSU School of Music Brass Ensemble
David Kehler, Conductor

The audience is requested to stand as the processional begins and remain standing throughout the singing of the national anthem.

PROCessional
Ode to Joy
Ludwig van Beethoven
Bagpiper  Tom Crawford
Chief Faculty Marshal  Ana-Maria Croicu

NATIONAL ANTHEM
The Star-Spangled Banner
John Stafford Smith
Francis Scott Key, Lyrics
Emily Crisp
Audience

TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE
Scott C. Johnston

WELCOME
Houston Davis, Interim President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Keisha Hoerrner, Dean
University College

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES
W. Ken Harmon
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Graduate College
Mike Dishman, Interim Dean

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES
Houston Davis, Interim President
Kim West, Associate Vice President and University Registrar
Merle S. King, Narrator

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES
Houston Davis, Interim President

ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVE
Steve A. Ellis, Political Science '03

ALMA MATER
Gaudeamus Igitur
Anonymous, 18th Century German Melody
Lyrics by Cynthia Parks '82
Emily Crisp
Audience

RECESSIONAL
Scotland the Brave
Tom Crawford, Bagpiper

POSTLUDE
KSU School of Music Brass Ensemble
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Dr. Keisha L. Hoerrner is the Dean for University College, an academic unit at Kennesaw State University that houses the Department of First-Year and Transition Studies, the Department of Leadership and Integrative Studies, the Michael A. Leven School of Culinary Sustainability and Hospitality, the Advising Office for New and Exploratory Students in Transition (the NEST), and Orientation and Transition Programs. The college is also the academic home for the Center for Student Leadership, a shared entity that is also part of the Division of Student Affairs.

This month marks Dr. Hoerrner’s 16th anniversary as a member of the KSU faculty. She will be leaving the university, which is also her alma mater, to transition to a position at the University of Central Florida in Orlando. Formerly Chair for what was then named the Department of First-Year Programs from 2007 to 2012, Dr. Hoerrner was named Associate Dean for University College in March 2012 and assumed the Interim Dean position in January 2014 before being named Dean in April 2015. In her role as Dean, Dr. Hoerrner oversees the college’s personnel and fiscal resources, promotes new degree programs and certificates, leads the strategic planning process, and represents the college to internal and external constituencies.

While Department Chair, the department was honored by the Board of Regents in 2009 with its Excellence in Teaching – Program Award. She was personally honored in 2013 as an Outstanding First-Year Student Advocate by the National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition.

In addition to her work with incoming students, Dr. Hoerrner is also dedicated to community engagement. She served as the co-faculty advisor for the KSU chapter of the ONE Campaign, a national grassroots advocacy group working to end extreme poverty and hunger. She was appointed the 2007 Chair of the Darfur Urgent Action Coalition of Georgia, a statewide coalition of faith-based, human rights and advocacy groups. She has held leadership roles in modern-day abolitionist organizations working to end human trafficking locally, nationally, and internationally. More recently, she served as Vice President of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Kennesaw, a civic organization working to better the lives of children and families in the local community and across the globe.

Dr. Hoerrner holds a Ph.D. and an M.A. in mass communication from the University of Georgia and a B.S. in communication from Kennesaw State College. She was a member of the faculty at Louisiana State University before moving home to KSU in 2000.
LELAND and CLARICE C. BAGWELL COLLEGE of EDUCATION

DOCTOR of EDUCATION

Laura Leduc Barrett

Dissertation Title: Development and Validation of the Mathematical Problem-Solving Dispositions and Beliefs Scale

Dissertation Chair: MeiLin Chang, Ph.D.

Lea Campos+

Dissertation Title: Development of a School Network Accessibility for Parents (SNAP) Scale: An Exploratory Factor Analysis

Dissertation Chair: Nita Paris, Ph.D.

Donna Marsh

Dissertation Title: Using Manipulatives to Investigate ESOL Students’ Achievement and Dispositions in Algebra

Dissertation Chair: Kim Gardner, Ph.D.

Jennifer McKinney+

Dissertation Title: Personality, Interests, Self-Efficacy, and Anxiety of Female STEM Majors: A Description, Comparison, and Prediction of Female STEM Majors

Dissertation Chair: MeiLin Chang, Ph.D.

Cherry Stanard

Dissertation Title: A DisCrit Narrative Case Study: How are the Cards Stacked in Alternative School for African American Students with Disabilities?

Dissertation Chair: Joya Carter-Hicks, Ph.D.

COLLEGE of HUMANITIES and SOCIAL SCIENCES

DOCTOR of PHILOSOPHY

Candidate: Maureen Erinne-Kperogi

Dissertation Title: From the Creeks to the Community: The Reintegration of Ex-combatants in Nigeria’s Niger Delta

Dissertation Chair: Akanmu Adebayo, Ph.D.

Amanda Guidero

Dissertation Title: Perilous Decisions: Humanitarian Security and Risk Management in a Complex World

Dissertation Co-Chairs: Maia Hallward, Ph.D. and Volker Franke, Ph.D.

Catherine Odera+

Dissertation Title: Peacebuilding in the Context of Displacement: Women’s Groups in Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) Settlements in Kenya

Dissertation Chair: Akanmu Adebayo, Ph.D.

Pranaya SJB Rana

Dissertation Title: Refugee Resettlement and Peace Building: Exploring the Roles of Human and Social Capital of Caseworkers in fulfilling Grassroots Refugee Needs

Dissertation Chair: Sherrill Hayes, Ph.D.

LELAND and CLARICE C. BAGWELL COLLEGE of EDUCATION

SPECIALIST in EDUCATION

Theresa Cole Anschutz+

Instructional Technology

Terres Hardeman Bailey+

Instructional Technology

Nakeia Nicole Barber

Instructional Technology

Anthony Brian Booker+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Thomas Eric Bradley+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Joseph Brigham

Secondary Education

Alzey Regina Browder

Instructional Technology

Kristie N. Bryan+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Joaquin Armonic Byrd+

Instructional Technology

Anthony Joseph Cayetano

Teacher Leadership

Bailey Harrison Dawson, Jr.

Educational Leadership for Learning

Kia L. Dennis

Educational Leadership for Learning

Kimberly Freedman+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Heather Danielle Fuller

Teacher Leadership

Ashley Clarice Garden+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Clayton Lawrence Gunter

Educational Leadership for Learning

Jennifer Byrne Hall+

Instructional Technology

Katherine Elaine Hammontree+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Eric William Hazell+

Middle Grades Education

Allicia Parks Hinson

Instructional Technology

Sarah Bluestein Holcomb

Secondary Education

Joy Susanne Hovis+

Instructional Technology

Cleopatra Sorina Iliescu

Special Education

Ebony Jackson

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Tony Denard Jones

Instructional Technology

Shaleen Marie Kappel+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Termerion McCravy Lakes+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Clatrina Lane+

Educational Leadership for Learning

Lisa Levy+

Instructional Technology

Suzanne Nicole Martin

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Celine Marie McBrayer+

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Erica Washington McDonald

Middle Grades Education

Madison Lashiva McDuifie+

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Educational Leadership for Learning

Anitra Paige+

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Michael Lewis Strickland+

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Willis Mychal Sudderth+

Instructional Technology

Danielle L. Tatarka+

Special Education

Keith Tadashi Toda+

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Thao Nguyen Tran+

Instructional Technology

Linda Jean Turner+

Secondary Education

TaiShara Marissa Twyman+

Instructional Technology

Dawn Denise Westerfield

Curriculum and Instruction

Shana Vidal White

Instructional Technology

Anna K. C. Williams

Instructional Technology

COLLEGE of ARCHITECTURE and CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

MASTER of SCIENCE

Kyhla Lynette Pollard

Construction Management

MASTER of SCIENCE in ARCHITECTURE

Janelle Marie Gaines

Master of Science in Architecture

MICHAEL J. COLES COLLEGE of BUSINESS

MASTER of ACCOUNTING

Samuel Mitchell Babcock

Master of Accounting

Brandon Barton

Master of Accounting

Megan Elizabeth Beeston

Master of Accounting

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Honors Statement

Students announced as Honors Scholars have completed the requirements of Kennesaw State’s undergraduate honors program and wear red and gold epaulets on their left shoulder to signify this extraordinary academic accomplishment.

Final Degree Audits

Degree completion and honor designations are contingent upon final degree audits. Because the names must be provided to the printer in final form several days prior to commencement, one or more candidates listed herein may have been unable to complete all requirements for the degree. Inability to remove a name at the last moment from the commencement program does not commit the university to grant the diploma to a person thus listed. Similarly, honor status as printed in this program was determined at the end of the previous semester. Final honor status will be noted on the diploma and on the official permanent record.

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Beginning with spring commencement 2008, graduation ceremonies are individually numbered.
He is involved in research projects and writing in the areas of higher education access, governance, economic development, and accountability issues in higher education and serves on several national advisory groups on higher education policy, degree completion, academic preparation, and accountability.

A native of Clarksville, Tennessee, Davis received his Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University, a bachelor’s in political science from the University of Memphis, and a master’s in education from Tennessee State University.

ABOUT KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

Since its founding in 1963, Kennesaw State University has been known for its entrepreneurial spirit and sense of community. Kennesaw State is Georgia’s third-largest university, with more than 33,000 undergraduate and graduate students — nearly 5,200 residing on campus — representing 130 countries. Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Kennesaw State offers nearly 150 bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees.

A comprehensive university, Kennesaw State is dedicated to research, teaching and service and provides a unique blend of academic excellence, vibrant student life and world-class facilities. Kennesaw State has been recognized for its First-Year Experience program and as one of the most innovative universities in the region by U.S. News & World Report. The University’s nursing program is the largest in Georgia. Its nursing students are highly sought-after in the medical community and have some of the highest passing rates on the statewide licensing exam. The Bagwell College of Education is the second-largest producer of teachers in the state, and the Bagwell College of Business boasts one of the top 50 part-time MBA programs in the country as ranked by U.S. News & World Report.

Davis also worked in the areas of fiscal and academic affairs for the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (1997-2001) and as a regional student recruitment and advancement representative for the University of Memphis (1995-1997).

In addition to his professional duties, he served in the role of director for the National Educational Needs Index project from 2004-2011, an initiative measuring educational, economic, and population pressures in the 50 states that influence policy and planning at local, regional, and national levels.

Davis was selected as part of the 2005 class of the National Center for Higher Education and Public Policy Associates program, a mid-career leadership opportunity for professionals engaged in policy impacting higher education.

THE COMMENCEMENT

Rather than an ending, commencement — both the word and the ceremony — represents a beginning. It is appropriate that an occasion marking the beginning of a new phase of life should be conducted with pomp and circumstance, stateliness and tradition. The ceremony of commencement celebrated at colleges and universities throughout the world has its roots in the scholastic traditions of the Middle Ages. It is an ancient, dignified and highly symbolic ritual of conclusion and emergence, a rite of passage into a new life.

MARSHALS/BATONS

Faculty members from each college are chosen to serve as marshals and to assist with the ceremony. These marshals carry KSU batons — created for the inauguration of President Daniel S. Papp — as they lead the procession. The baton is a symbol of social order and tradition. The four batons, created by biology professor Bowman Davis, are hand-turned staff made out of walnut, featuring a hand-carved, stylized owl, complete with an ebony finish to reflect the styling of the mace. Gold and black tassels complete the batons.

THE DAIS PARTY

The dais party is the last group in the procession to enter the hall. The group consists of the president, the provost and vice president for academic affairs, cabinet members, the registrar, deans of the colleges and invited honored guests, such as the commencement speaker and recipients of awards. When members of the dais party reach their seats, the procession ends. The chief faculty marshal declares the candidates for graduation to be assembled and the ceremony begins.

THE KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY MACE

The honor of leading the academic procession as chief faculty marshal is given to a distinguished Teacher of the Year. Faculty members from each college are chosen to serve as student and faculty marshals and to assist with the ceremony. The ceremonial staff carried by the chief faculty marshal of the academic procession is a symbol of the rich traditions of higher education. The practice of carrying a mace dates back to the Middle Ages, when the mace was designed to be used as a weapon. It was carried by a respected senior member of the community who was chosen to protect and guide the leaders as their group traveled through crowded streets. Kennesaw State takes special pride in its mace, which was designed by Patrick Taylor, former chairman of the Department of Visual Arts, and handcrafted on campus. The polished bronze handgrip is actually a stylized owl. In addition to being Kennesaw State’s mascot, it is the symbol of Athena, the Greek goddess of wisdom. The globe near the top of the mace represents graduates going out into the world. Topping the globe is the traditional symbol of higher education — a lamp of learning, with a flame representing the quest for knowledge. A large bronze medallion displaying the university seal is part of the globe and the festive ribbons streaming from the crown that cradles the globe represent the university colors.

THE CHAIN OF OFFICE

The president of the university wears a gold chain and medallion around his neck, denoting the supreme authority over the university. The medallion bears the official university seal. The Kennesaw State University seal is an adaptation of the state seal of Georgia with Kennesaw Mountain in the background. M. Thompson Salter, III, professor emeritus of art and a charter member of the faculty, designed the seal.

GONFALONS

The third presidential inauguration at KSU ushered in many new changes, including the academic gonfalons. Banners suspended on a crossbar, gonfalons are another piece of medieval history that have been incorporated into academic tradition. Originally designed by Molly Miller, the gonfalons were redesigned following Consolidation to include all 13 colleges at Kennesaw State University.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The caps and gowns worn at commencement connect contemporary graduates with scholarly tradition that dates back as long as universities have existed. Clerics, ecclesiastics and scholars wore hoods or caps and heavy gowns at European universities during the Middle Ages. Beginning in the middle of the 14th century, scholars at English universities wore an academic costume of “bunge- and sand-colored habits.” A costume for commencement has been a tradition since the beginning of higher education in America. In 1895, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was created and a standard code of academic dress for commencements was adopted. It calls for the existing cap and gown (the traditional bachelor’s gown with long, open, pointed sleeves) and the master’s gown (with its long sleeves hanging down from the collar) to set apart the graduates. The doctoral gown has bell-shaped sleeves, with three velvet stripes on each sleeve.
HONOR SOCIETIES
Students who are members of honor societies at Kennesaw State University are eligible to wear the following designations of their respective society at graduation:

- Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology – teal honor cord
- Alpha Psi Omega, Theater – blue and gold cords
- Beta Alpha Psi, Accounting – red ribbon with medallion
- Beta Beta Beta, Biology – green ribbon with medallion
- Beta Gamma Sigma, Business – blue and gold honor cords
- Gamma Theta Upsilon, Geography – light blue stole
- Kappa Delta Pi, Education – green, purple and gold honor cords
- Lambda Alpha, Anthropology – white stole
- Lambda Pi Eta, Communication – red and white honor cords
- Nu Delta Alpha, Dance – burgundy and gold honor cords
- Omicron Delta Epsilon, Economics – blue and gold honor cords
- Pi Delta Phi, French – blue and red honor cords
- Pi Kappa Lambda, Music – white and gold cords
- Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science – purple and gold honor cords
- Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish – gold and red honor cords
- Sigma Theta Tau, Nursing – orchid and white honor cords
- Tau Upsilon Alpha, Human Services – gold with royal blue lettering
- Phi Alpha, Social Work Honor Society – gold honor cord
- Phi Alpha Theta, History – red and blue honor cords
- Phi Delta, International Scholars Society – medallion with red and gold ribbon
- Phi Eta Sigma – black and gold cords
- Phi Kappa Phi, all majors – gold, white and blue medallion with royal-blue ribbon
- Phi Lambda Upsilon, National Chemistry Honor Society – red and gold epaulets
- Psi Chi, Psychology – blue and gold honor cords
- Blue Key National Honor Society – blue honor cords
- Golden Key International Honor Society – gold honor medallion with blue and gold ribbons
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars, all majors – burgundy and gold cords

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Nestled in the Georgia pines,
What a special place you hold,
Treasured in this heart of mine.
For the candles you set burning,
Lighting paths of love of learning,
For the gifts you have given me,
Kennesaw, I will cherish thee.

Kennesaw, dear Kennesaw,
Fairest of the Southland’s fame,
Sons and daughters gathered here,
Stand to praise thy lovely name.
For the friendships that were made here,
For the dreams we dared to dream here,
Kennesaw, we will cherish thee,
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