

THE GRAD GAZETTE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE WSSU GRADUATE COLLEGE

WELCOME TO THE DEAN'S CORNER

Dear Graduate Scholars, Alumni, Faculty, Staff and Supporters,

As we approach the well-earned respite of spring break, I encourage each of you to take this time to **rest, reflect,** and **recharge**. The demands of graduate studies are rigorous, requiring not only intellectual stamina but also personal resilience. This break provides an opportunity to step away *momentarily*, find balance, and return with renewed energy to finish the semester strong.

Use this time in the way that best serves you—whether that means catching up on reading, advancing research, or simply pausing to enjoy moments of relaxation. Prioritize self-care, reconnect with your goals, and remind yourself why you embarked on this academic journey.

When we return, let's refocus our efforts, support one another, and push through the final stretch with determination. The finish line is in sight, and I have no doubt that each of you has the strength and perseverance to reach it successfully.

Wishing you a restful and rejuvenating break!

WARM REGARDS,

Montrale Boykin

INTERIM DEAN OF THE GRADUATE COLLEGE



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HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST MONTH

CIAA

The Graduate College made its way to Baltimore, MD to celebrate the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) tournament alongside our beloved Rams! We couldn't have asked for a more exciting time as we cheered on our team, embraced school spirit, and connected with prospective students.

It was an unforgettable experience—whether it was shouting for our team for encouragement or engaging in conversations about the incredible graduate programs we offer, the energy was electrifying! Our staff was thrilled to represent the Graduate College and share how our academic opportunities can help propel students forward in their careers, all while surrounded by the excitement of CIAA!



SHAW & RADFORD

The Graduate College Team traveled to Radford University for the Graduate College Expo. We had the incredible opportunity to connect with alumni and prospective students eager to learn more about our programs and explore their future at WSSU! Then it was off to Shaw University to attend their Inaugural Graduate College Fair. We met so many prospective students and some who had already committed to WSSU for the Fall!





WSSU RANKS TOP 20 ON REGISTEREDNURSING.ORG!

WSSU's Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) was ranked #12 in the United States for 2025 on *registerednursing.com* for best online MSN programs. This ranking is a testament to the dedication and commitment to academic excellence that is cultivated by our faculty and staff to produce Nursing Leaders.

TAMIA KALE

AMERICAN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



Occupational Therapy Student, Tamia Kale has been awarded the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) scholarship. Tamia exemplifies academic excellence, leadership, and a deep commitment to advancing the field of occupational therapy. ***Congratulations!***

THE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (GSA) IS NOW ON INSTAGRAM!



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WSSU RESEARCHERS AWARDED NEARLY \$300,000 NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) GRANT

A research team, led by Dr. Muztaba Fuad, is using mobile apps and crowdsensing technology to improve healthcare efficiency. Funded by a nearly \$300,000 NSF grant, the project tracks healthcare workers' movements in hospitals and clinics to optimize workflow and resource use. The study, co-led by Dr. Nancy Smith, focuses on the movements and postures of physical therapists to prevent injuries, optimize space, and reduce healthcare costs. WSSU students, both graduate and undergraduate, are involved in collecting real-time data on posture and location via Bluetooth signals to support the research.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HERE WE GROW AGAIN!

March 18, 2025:
Money Moves: Financial Planning
Career Spotlight - **Hill Hall L05**

March 20, 2025:
Money Moves: Financial Planning
Career Spotlight - **VIRTUAL**

May 7, 2025:
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Partner for: **Business After Hours**

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Our new Graduate
Admissions Recruiter



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