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Alma Mater

College of love and charity
We gather 'round thy noble shrine;
We lift our voice in praise to thee,
And ask a blessing all divine.

CHORUS

FAM-U! FAM-U! I love thee!
I'll fight and win whate'er the battle be,
The Orange and the Green thy sons shall
e'er defend

And loyal to thy voice of love attend
FAM-U! FAM-U! I love thee!

On gridiron, diamond, track and field,
Thy sons the vict'ry never yield,
And while they tread a broader life
Thy love shall stay them in the strife.

(repeat chorus)

God ever keep us true to thee;
Thy faith that truth shall make men free,
Shall guide thy loyal sons aright
And fend them thru the skeptic night.

(repeat chorus)

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University College of Law



Annual Hooding Ceremony Spring 2014

Saturday, May 10, 2014
10 A.M.

Hilton Orlando
Orlando Ballroom
Orlando, Florida

Hooding Program

LeRoy Pernell, Presiding
Dean, College of Law

Processional

Meditation Mr. Dillon Chansen
Class of 2014

Welcome Dean LeRoy Pernell

Remarks Dr. Solomon Badger
Chair, FAMU Board of Trustees

Remarks Mr. Mark St. Vil
2014 Hooding Student Speaker

Introduction of Speaker Dean Pernell

Featured Speaker Honorable Alcee L. Hastings
Congressman, 20th District of Florida

Special Recognitions Dean Pernell

Hooding Ceremony Associate Professor Patricia Broussard
Professor Lundy Langston
Associate Dean Darryll Jones

Closing Remarks Dean Pernell

Alma Mater

Reflections Ms. Sanquaneice Hankerson
2014 Student Graduation Chair

Recessional

(The audience will remain seated during the Processional and Recessional.)

2013 - 2014 Candidates for Hooding

Teresa Adams ⁺	Tia Loren Crosby	Kelman E. Harrell*
Angie Alvarado ⁺	Amanda Cathleen Cummins	Kerry Warren HARRIPERSAD*
Neil Ajit Ambekar	Jessica Pitts Cunningham	Michael Lee Harrison, Jr.**
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Kenechukwu Henry Anusionwu	Betsy Ann Daniller	Steven Tylar Heintz
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Stephanie Marie Craig	Tai M. Harden ⁺⁺	Jennifer Marie Manyen

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⁺ - December 2013 (Fall) Candidate

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Academic Regalia

Patterned from medieval customs, today's academic regalia reflect the status, scholastic achievement and study discipline of its wearer. Colors are associated with different disciplines as seen in the trimmings of doctoral gowns and the edging of their hoods and in the tassels of caps worn by candidates. Distinctions between gowns and hoods indicate the type of degree held by the wearer.

The doctoral gown is faced with a broad strip of velvet and has crossbars of velvet on each sleeve. The bars may be of black velvet or of colored velvet indicative of the degree's discipline and agreeing with the border of the hood. Thus, for law, the border is purple.

Hoods are worn by those holding graduate degrees. The doctoral hood is longer and more elaborate than the master's hood. The lining of the hood is silk in the official colors of the institution conferring the degree. For instance, at Florida A&M University, the lining of the hood is orange and green. However, faculty members who hold a degree from another college or university wear the colors of his or her alma mater. The distinction should be made that the edging of the hood is in colors representing the wearer's discipline, but the lining of the hood is in colors representing the wearer's alma mater.

Members of the law school's faculty hold degrees from several institutions. Some of those institutions and their distinctive hood-linings are represented in the rainbow of colors displayed on the faculty's regalia:

Baylor University – Royal Blue, Bright Gold Chevron;
Brigham Young University – Navy, White Chevron;
Columbia University – Light Blue, White Chevron;
Duke University – Royal, White Chevron;
Florida A&M University – Orange, Green;
Florida State University – Garnet, Gold Chevron;
Harvard University – Crimson;
Hofstra University – Royal, Br. Gold Chevron;
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University of Pennsylvania – Cardinal, Navy Chevron;
University of Pittsburgh – Royal, Gold Chevron;
University of Toledo – Royal, B. Gold Chevron;
University of Virginia – Navy, Orange Chevron;
University of Washington – Purple, Gold;
University of Wisconsin – Cardinal;
Vanderbilt University – B. Gold, Black Chevron;
Vermont Law School – Bright Gold, Forest Green Chevron;
Yale University – Royal.

Alcee L. Hastings



Alcee L. Hastings represents his native state of Florida by serving as Congressman for District 20, which includes parts of Broward, Palm Beach, and Hendry Counties. Congressman Hastings was first elected in 1992 and is currently serving his 11th term in the Congress. Born in Altamonte Springs, he attended Florida's public schools, and graduated from Fisk University in 1958. He earned his law degree from Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

Known to many as "Judge," Alcee Hastings has distinguished himself as an attorney, civil rights activist, judge, and now Member of Congress. Appointed by President Jimmy Carter in 1979, he became the first African-American Federal Judge in the State of Florida, and served in that position for 10 years. Since his election to Congress as the first African-American from Florida since the post-Civil War period, Congressman Hastings has been an outspoken advocate for Floridians and our nation as a whole. Throughout his lifetime, Congressman Hastings has championed the rights of minorities, women, the elderly, children, and immigrants.

In the 113th Congress, Mr. Hastings' legislative priorities include continued efforts to create jobs and provide greater economic opportunities for middle class and working poor Americans; make our country safer and more secure; ensure that our election systems are easier and more fair; support small businesses; invest in green energy and infrastructure; increase access to quality, affordable health care for all; ban assault weapons; fund Head Start and other education programs; strengthen and improve Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid; protect the environment and pursue environmental justice; and provide family and medical leave to all workers. Furthermore, known throughout the world as an expert in foreign policy, Mr. Hastings continues to advocate for diplomacy before military action to settle disputes with established and emerging nations.

Among Congress' most respected voices in international affairs, Congressman Hastings is Ranking Democratic Member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Commonly referred to as the Helsinki Commission, this independent U.S. government agency was created in 1976 to monitor and encourage compliance with the landmark human rights and democracy-building treaty signed in Finland the previous year. Members of the Commission are appointed by the Speaker of the House, the Majority Leader of the Senate, and the President. In 2007, Congressman Hastings became the first African-American to chair the Commission and continues his work in the areas of human rights, economic development, regional security, and parliamentary diplomacy.

Congressman Hastings is a senior Member of the powerful House Rules Committee, which has broad jurisdiction over determining the terms and conditions, known as "special rules" or "rules," under which legislation is considered. The Committee also considers "original jurisdiction" measures, which commonly represent changes to the standing rules of the House, or measures that contain special rules.

With over 10 years of experience in the intelligence community, Mr. Hastings remains committed to ensuring our national security and protecting the American people. In the 111th Congress, Mr. Hastings served as Vice Chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and was a member of its Subcommittee on Terrorism, HUMINT (Human Intelligence), Analysis, and Counterintelligence, as well as the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management. Previously, he also worked to improve our electoral system in his capacity as Vice Chairman of the Democratic Select Committee on Election Reform.

Congressman Hastings is the proud recipient of numerous honors and awards bestowed on him from organizations both at home and abroad. His governing philosophy is simple: he firmly believes that progress and change can be achieved through mutual respect and appreciation, and that individuals and communities can see beyond the limits of parochialism, enabling them to better understand each other.

History of the FAMU College of Law

The College of Law's rich tradition of excellence dates back to its original founding. On December 21, 1949, a division of law was established at the then Florida A&M College, and the first class was admitted in 1951. In 1966 the Florida Board of Control (later known as the Board of Regents) withdrew its permission for the institution to admit law students, and two years later, the law school graduated its last class and closed its doors. Between 1954 and 1968, the law school graduated 57 students -- men and women who have gone on to make significant contributions to the legal profession both within the state and throughout the nation.

The 2000 Florida Legislature unanimously passed legislation establishing a law school at Florida A&M University and on June 14, 2000, Governor Jeb Bush signed the bill into law. The College of Law admitted its first class in fall 2002. The degree of Juris Doctor was conferred upon members of the first class of the reestablished law school on April 30, 2005 in Tallahassee, Florida.

The College of Law opened at its permanent location in January 2006. The \$30 million building was designed by Rhodes + Brito Architects, where partners Max Brito and Ruffin Rhodes are FAMU alumni. The four-story building includes 160,000 gross square feet, has 20 classrooms and 50 faculty offices, and an elaborate Moot Court Room used for mock trials, competitions and special events. The Law Library occupies half of the space and features over 300,000 volumes, one of the largest civil rights collections in the Southeast, and volumes from the original College of Law that were given to Florida State University in the late 1960's.

The FAMU College of Law received full accreditation from the American Bar Association in July 2009. During the 2013-2014 academic year, the College of Law had an enrollment of 514 students in its day and evening programs.



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