

# *Delta Sigma Pi*



## *Lambda Rho Psi Colony*

*University of West Alabama*

*Fall 1999*

To: The Board of Directors of Delta Sigma Pi

From: The Members of the Lambda Rho Psi Colony of Delta Sigma Pi

We the members of the Lambda Rho Psi Colony of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, hereby dedicate this Petition for Chapter Charter to Lee James and Van White.

It was through the hard work and dedication of these two men that we were able to establish the Lambda Rho Psi Colony of Delta Sigma Pi on the campus here at the University of West Alabama.

Special thanks to Dr. Billy Ward our faculty advisor, for his time and hard work in helping us organize the Lambda Rho Psi Colony of Delta Sigma Pi on the campus here at the University of West Alabama.

We would also like to thank Dean Merle Peper for the support he has shown and for all the effort members have put forth to gain Chapter status.

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**TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY**

**DELTA SIGMA PI**

Dear Board of Directors,

We, the members of Lambda Rho Psi Colony of the University of West Alabama, do hereby petition for a Chapter Charter of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi.

The Lambda Rho Psi Colony was established exclusively for the purpose of association with Delta Sigma Pi and has styled itself after the ideas, which we continue to maintain, of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi. This is evident by our high standards of professionalism, display of enthusiasm and commitment, involvement in community, and our strong spirit of fellowship.

We promise to uphold the rules, regulations, and standards of Delta Sigma Pi as set forth in its Bylaws and Constitution in the pursuance of a Chapter Charter and further association with the Fraternity.

Thankfully, the members of Lambda Rho Psi Colony:

THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA



October 11, 1999

Mr. Dale M. Clark  
Director  
Chapter and Expansion Services  
Central Office  
330 South Campus Avenue  
Oxford, Ohio 45056-0230

Dear Mr. Clark:

Please accept this letter as approval from the Dean's Office for you and interested alumni to attempt to establish a Chapter of Delta Sigma Pi in the University of West Alabama's College of Business

Thank you for your interest in our students.

Sincerely,

Merle J. Peper, Ph.D.  
Dean

THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA



December 1, 1999

Delta Sigma Pi  
Board of Directors  
330 South Campus Avenue  
P. O. 230  
Oxford, OH 45056-0230

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As the Advisor to Lambda Rho Psi Colony at The University of West Alabama, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to recommend that the Colony be chartered by Delta Sigma Pi.

This group of students has worked dilligently to meet all of the requirements for their charter and I applaud their efforts. I am quite pleased see the type of unselfish leadership that the officers and members have exhibited in their endeavor. Moreover, they have demonstrated enthusiasm and a commitment to the ideals of the Fraternity with a spirit of cooperation and I feel that they are quite deserving of the honor of receiving a charter.

Other members of the faculty who are members of Delta Sigma Pi and I would be most gratified to see the members rewarded for their hard work with a charter. I feel that they would be an asset to Delta Sigma Pi if they were to become a chapter of the fraternity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Billy L. Ward  
Assistant Professor of Management

THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA



December 1, 1999

Delta Sigma Pi  
Board of Directors  
330 South Campus Avenue  
P.O. Box 230  
Oxford, OH 45056-0230

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am pleased to recommend that the Lambda Rho Psi Colony at The University of West Alabama be chartered by Delta Sigma Pi.

The members have worked diligently to meet the requirements established by Delta Sigma Pi. They have demonstrated commitment and enthusiasm and are very deserving of the honor of receiving the charter.

I, and other faculty who are members of Delta Sigma Pi, would be most gratified to see the chapter rewarded for their hard work with a charter. They would be an asset to the fraternity if the Lambda Rho Psi Colony were to become a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

Linda Carr  
Professor of Business (Retired)

February 20, 2000

Norman Kromberg, Grand President  
Delta Sigma Pi  
330 South Campus Avenue  
Oxford, Ohio 45056



Dear Brother Kromberg,

It is with great pleasure that I recommend the Lambda Rho Psi Colony at the University of West Alabama to you and the Board of Directors of Delta Sigma Pi for re-charter as the Lambda Rho Chapter of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi. With the submission of this petition, they have fulfilled all the requirements for charter and are prepared to join us as Brothers.

At Grand Chapter Congress, I met Colony President Lee James and recognized in him the drive and ambition needed to lead the Colony through a successful charter process. As a charter member my own chapter, I know first hand the dedication and commitment needed to start a chapter. This is the reason I asked to be appointed their District Director. After meeting the rest of the Colony, I realized that this determination and energy was the rule and not the exception in this group.

I traveled to Livingston several times last fall to meet with the Colony. I also met with their Advisor, Brother Billy Ward, and other faculty members, all of whom strongly support this group's efforts. Nine members of the Colony attended the LEAD School in Atlanta, giving them the opportunity to see the bigger Fraternity picture and taking back to the Colony the enthusiasm of the conference.

The University of West Alabama has solid plans in place for continued growth, and is actively introducing new technology to both the classroom environments and the campus lifestyle in order to support the changing needs of today's business students. The campus supports both traditional and non-traditional student populations, resulting in a diverse student body. This will give the chapter a solid foundation from which to recruit future members.

The members of the Lambda Rho Psi Colony have worked extremely hard this year in order to meet their charter goals. The Colony currently has thirty-seven members, and twenty-two of these will be returning for at least one year after installation.

Thank you for your consideration of this petition of the Lambda Rho Psi Colony. I will consider it an honor when I can call every one of these Colony members Brother.

Fraternally,

Wendy K. Braxton, Nu Pi # 9  
District Director  
Lambda Rho Psi Colony  
Delta Sigma Pi

## THE HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA

The University of West Alabama was chartered in 1835. The first students were admitted to the church related female academy in 1839. The Civil War caused the school to be closed and it did not reopen until the late 1860's or early 1870's. It is believed that at this time a few male students were allowed to attend the college but not for very long. In 1876 the Board of Trustees made a resolution to exclude boys. This policy was followed until the beginning of this century.

From 1881 until 1910 Livingston Female Academy was under the direction of Julia Tutwiler. In 1883 Miss Tutwiler succeeded in getting a small appropriation from the State Legislature to establish normal school training. This is believed to be the first state appropriation in Alabama made exclusively for the education of women. In 1886 the first normal school diplomas were granted by the Academy.

Livingston Female Academy and State Normal College was a private institution with some State support until 1907, at this time the State assumed full control. The school remained under its own board of trustees until the Legislature created a State Board of Trustees for all the normal schools in 1911. In 1919 this board was abolished and all state normal schools were placed under the supervision of the State Board of Education.

In 1929 Livingston Female Academy and State Normal College became State Teachers College, Livingston, Alabama. With the name change came the authority to confer the degree of Bachelor of Science. In 1947

the authorization was given to grant the Bachelor of Arts degree. At this time the school remained predominately female although male students had been allowed to attend the school since the early 1900's.

In 1957 the name was again changed, this time to Livingston State College. With this name change came the authorization to confer master's degrees in the field of professional education. In 1967 an act of the Legislature created Livingston University and with this the University was granted its own Board of Trustees.

In 1995 the Board of Trustees realized it was not a college that served just Livingston, Alabama, it served a much larger community, the whole West Alabama region. The name was changed once more to The University of West Alabama.

Today the University of West Alabama has 1270 Students enrolled in five colleges on the campus in Livingston, Alabama. There are 363 students enrolled in the College of Liberal Arts, 735 students in the College of Education, 348 students in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, 134 students in the College of Nursing, and 427 students in the College of Business.



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## HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

The College of Business was established in 1967 during the reorganization attending the name change from Livingston State College to Livingston University. The College was organized into the Department of Accounting and General Business. The Department of Computer Science was added in 1982 and the Division of Technology was transferred from the College of Education during the 1994 reorganization. In 1996 the name of the College was changed to the College of Business.

The College of Business presently is organized under Dean Merle Peper into two departments, one division, and two centers. The Department of Accounting and Business Administration offers courses in accounting and also offers courses in business administration, economics, management, and marketing. The Department offers majors in accounting, business administration, and management as well as minors in marketing and management.

The Department of Computer Information Systems offers courses in computer information systems with a major and a minor in computer information systems.

The Division of Technology offers majors in technology and in industrial technology, and an associate degree in industrial maintenance.

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) enhances economic growth in the local region by making small businesses in the service area more competitive through the provision of entrepreneurial assistance. The Center for Business and Economic Services (CBES) enhances the economic development of the service area. The Center provides information and training to new industry and assists existing industries with further development.

The College of Business provides educational opportunities and experiences in general education and in specialized fields of business and technology. The College is committed to producing graduates who are knowledgeable and competent, and who have the skills to enable them to assume positions of leadership in their communities.

Currently the University of West Alabama has 427 students enrolled in the College of Business.

## The History of Lambda Rho Psi

In the fall of 1998, Dr. Bill Ward, Lee James, Van White and Tammie Newton were four people with a purpose. They wanted to see a Colony of Delta Sigma Pi on the campus at the University of West Alabama. The dream these people had soon became a reality with the formation of the Lambda Rho Psi Colony.

Through the hard work and effort of these four people we have seen the Lambda Rho Psi Colony of Delta Sigma Pi on the University of West Alabama grow from three interested members and an advisor to twenty-nine active members within one year.

The Colony has been active in community functions such as the petting zoo for children at Livingston's City Fest, moving the city library, and other community activities.

The Colony has also been honored to have special guest speakers such as the Mayor of Livingston Mr. Tom Tartt, the owner of Suttles Trucking, Mr. James Suttles, the President of Regions Bank in Livingston, Mr. Fred Walburn, and others.

This semester began with a welcome back pizza party and recruiting event. We have also had an opportunity to participate in the toys for kids program along with the Marketing Club on campus and the Livingston Lions Club. On December 3, 1999 we held our first Christmas banquet, this was the first Christmas banquet ever held by any group on the campus of the University of West Alabama. We have also participated in several raffles and fund raising events.

The President of the Lambda Rho Psi colony, Lee James, attended the Grand Chapter Congress in Houston, Texas. Upon his return from Houston, Lee brought with

him much enthusiasm which he passed on to the members. There were several members who accompanied Lee to Atlanta, GA for the LEAD (Leadership and Excellence Academies for Deltasigs) school. The members who attended returned with lots of ideas and energy and were eager to begin work and see the Colony gain Charter status.

The excitement of petitioning to become a full-fledged chapter of Delta Sigma Pi has complimented a semester filled with fun, new experiences, and hopefully the beginning of traditions to be followed in years to come.

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**Lee James**  
**Major: Management**  
**Graduation: May 2000**  
**Hobbies: Internet and Sweet Water Football**

*Nigel's Harris*  
*Major: Business Administration*  
*Graduation: December 2000*  
*Hobbies: Spending Time With Friends*



**Marilyn Harris**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: December 2000**  
**Hobbies: Spending Time With Friends**

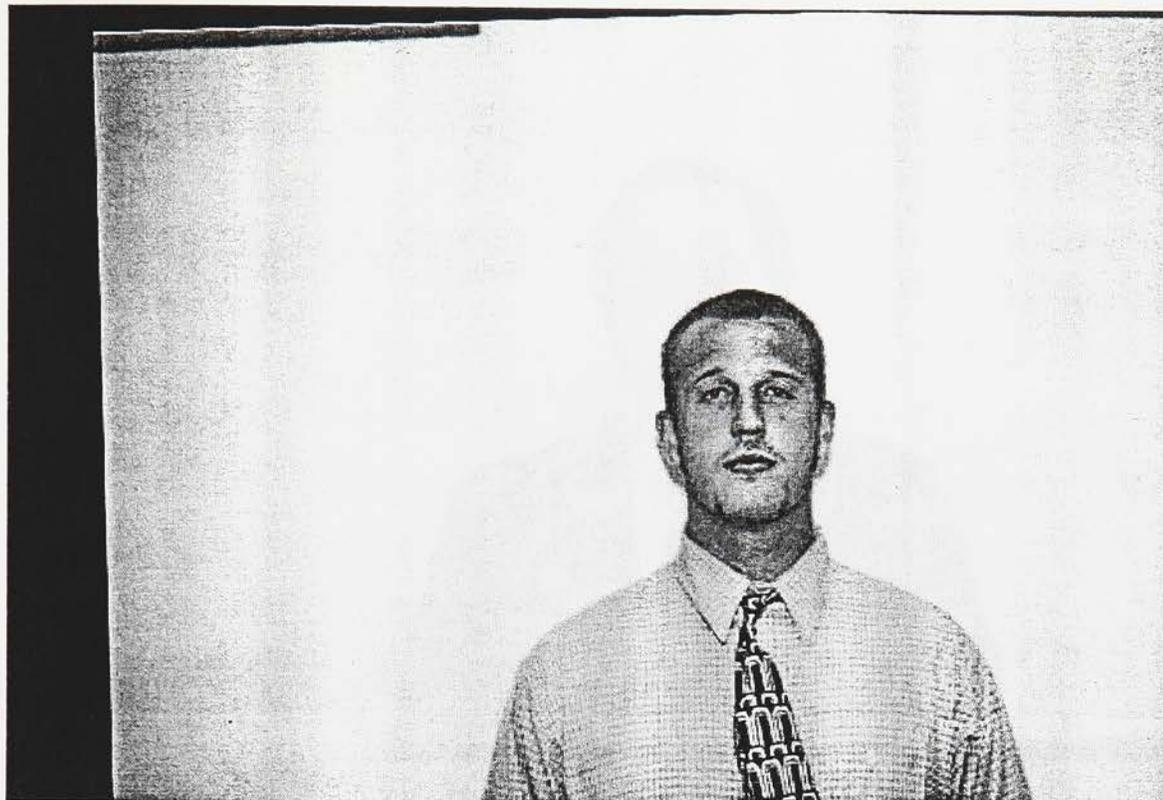


**Van White**

**Major: Computer Information Systems**

**Graduation: May 2001**

**Hobbies: Scuba Diving, Golf, and Hanguns**



**Douglas J. Lance**  
**Major: Business Management**  
**Graduation: May 2000**  
**Hobbies: Golf, Football, Fishing, and Family**



**Bert Weeden**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: December 2000**  
**Hobbies: Pingpong, Football, and Basketball**

*Hobbies: Canoeing, Fishing, and Swimming*



*Hobbies: Hunting and Riding Horses*

**Tammie Newton**

**Major: Business Administration**

**Graduation: May 2000**

**Hobbies: Canoeing, Fishing, and Swimming**



**Wendy Weedon**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: May 2000**  
**Hobbies: Hunting and Riding Horses**



**Tahomah Bell**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: May 2001**



**Chad Bingham**

**Major: Business Management/Administration**

**Graduation: May 2000**

**Hobbies: Hunting , Sports, Fishing, and Spending Time with Fraternity  
Brothers**



**Shafonte Burrell**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: May 2002**



**TERILYN DENSON**  
**MAJOR: COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2001**

CRYSTAL DUBOSE  
MAJOR: COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS  
GRADUATION: MAY 2001



**CRYSTAL DUBOSE**  
**MAJOR: COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2003**

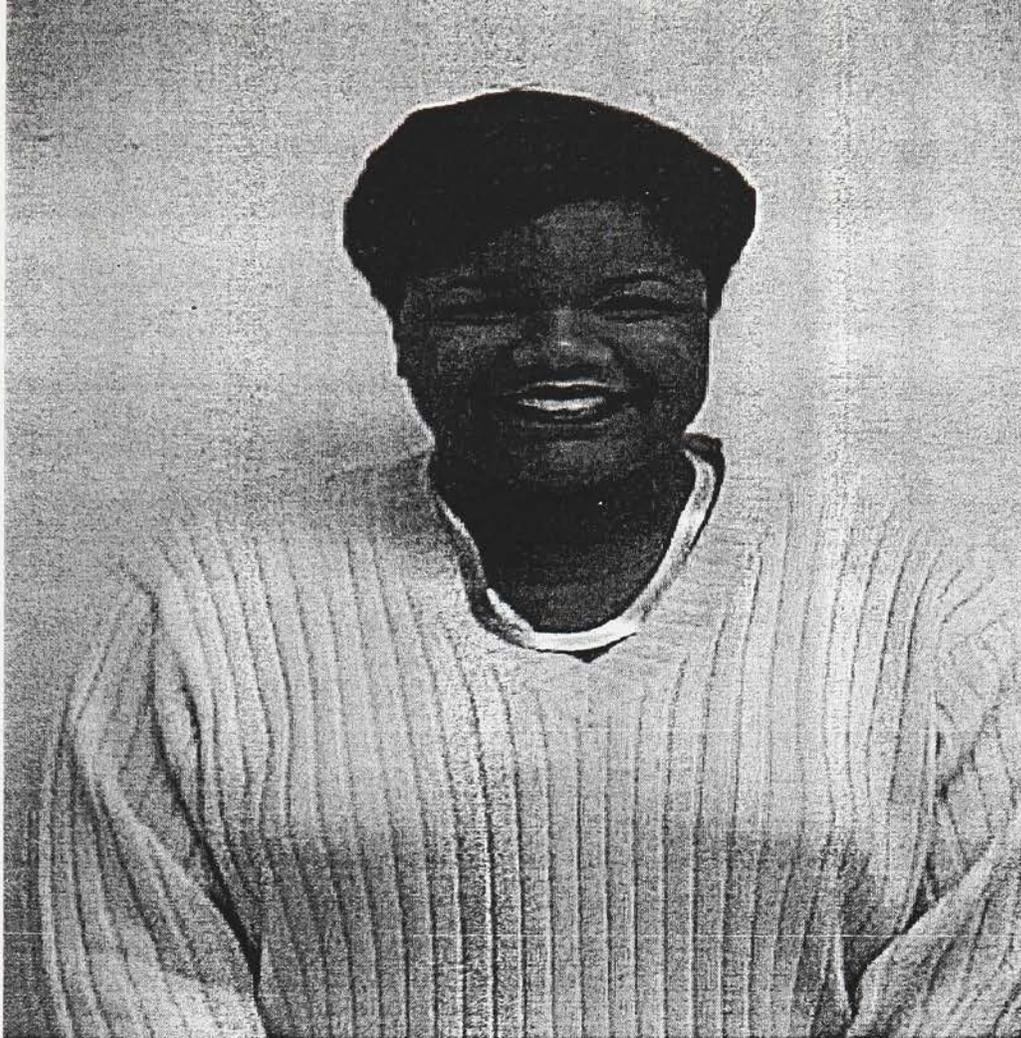
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**Erin Eckert**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Minor: Marketing**  
**Graduation: May 2002**



**Philip Etheridge**  
**Major: Computer Information Systems**  
**Graduation: May 2001**



**Christina Figures**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: May 2003**

David J. Harmon  
Major: Business Administration  
Graduation: May 2003



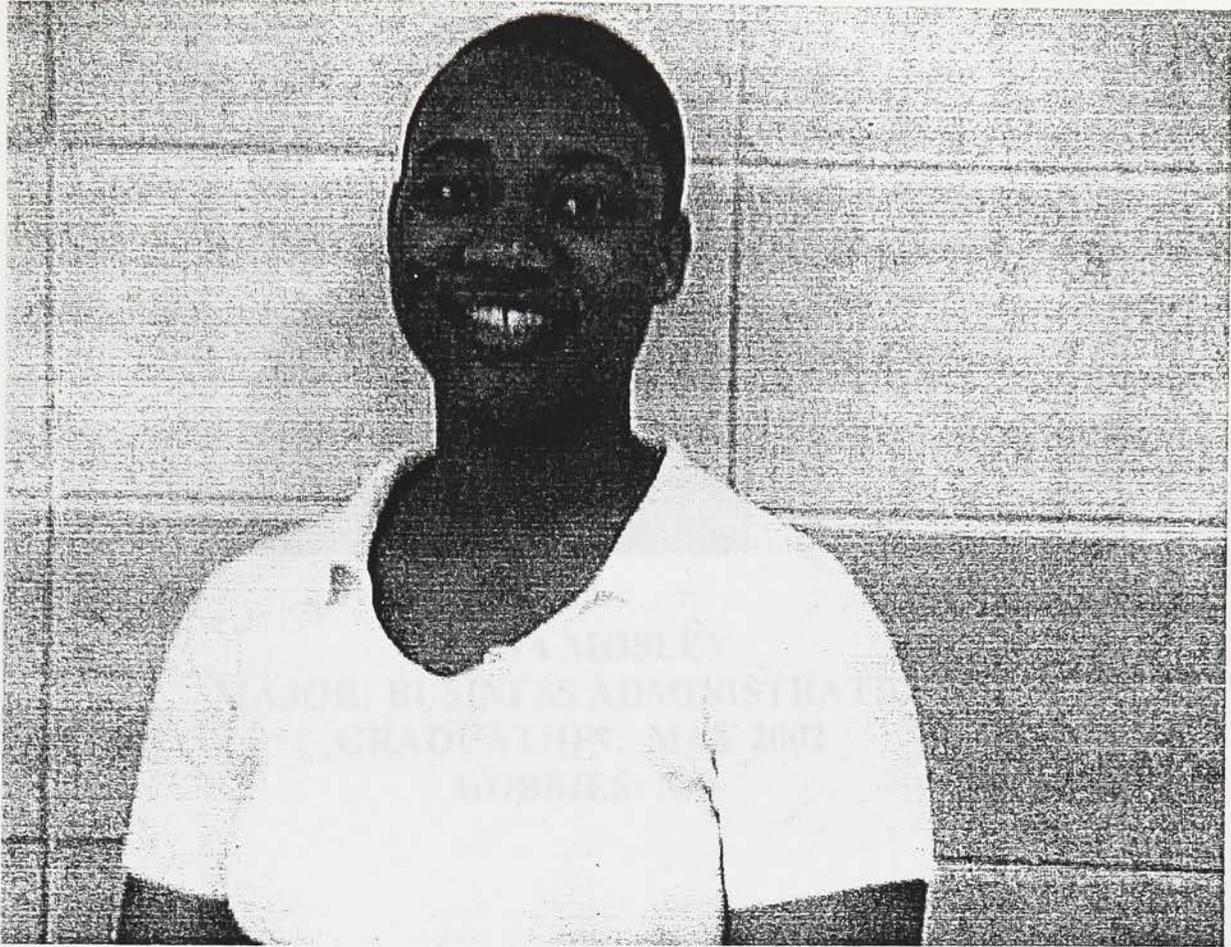
**Ronald L. Harrison**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: May 2001**



**Thomas Jackson Jr.**  
**Major: Computer Information Systems**  
**Graduation: May 2002**  
**Hobbies: NA**

Major: Computer Information Systems  
Graduation: May 2002

Hobbies: Listening and Playing Music, Shopping, Spending Time with  
Friends and Searching the Web



**Melissa Jackson**

**Major: Computer Information Systems**

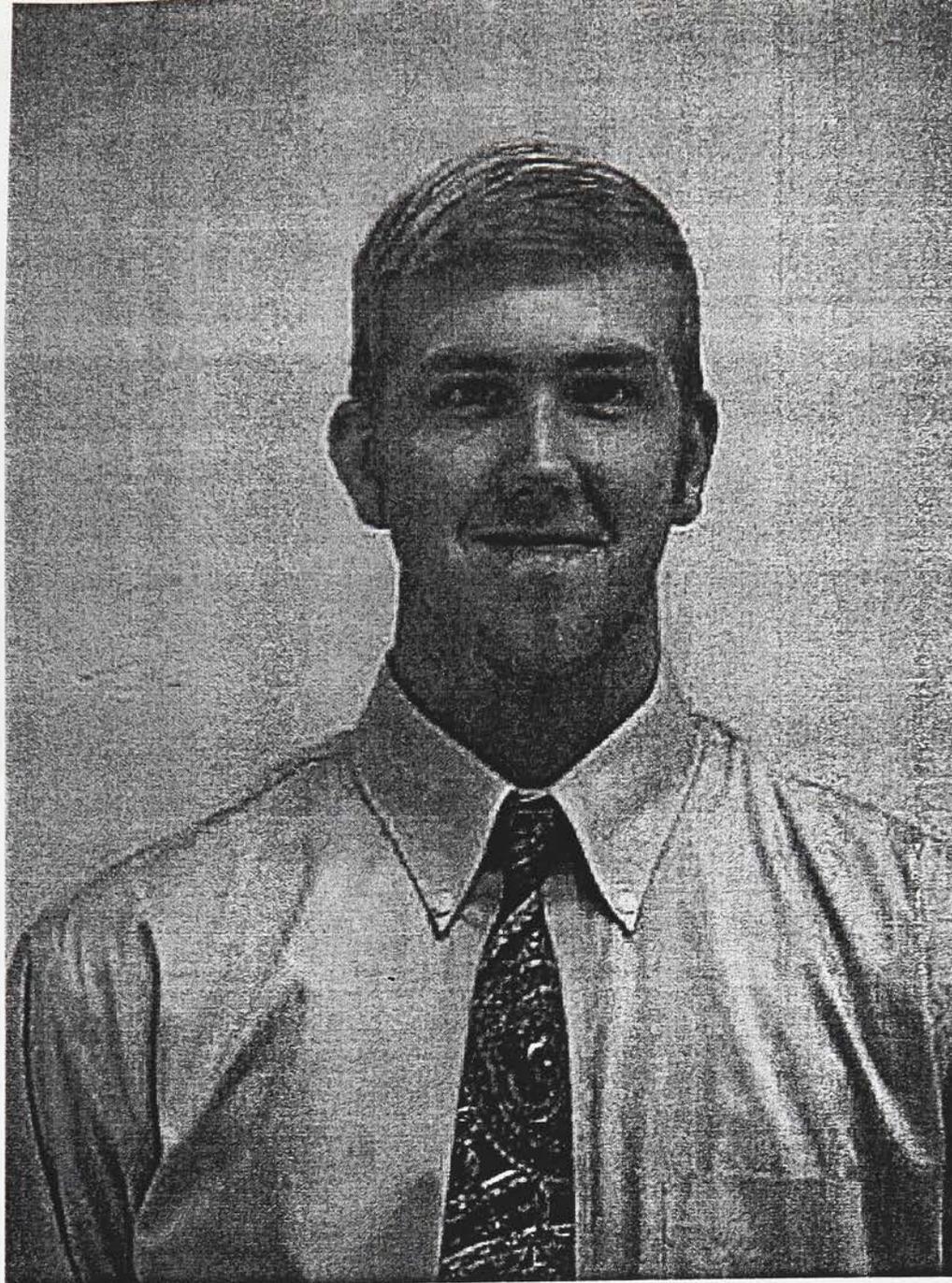
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**Hobbies: Listening and Playing Music, Shopping, Spending Time with  
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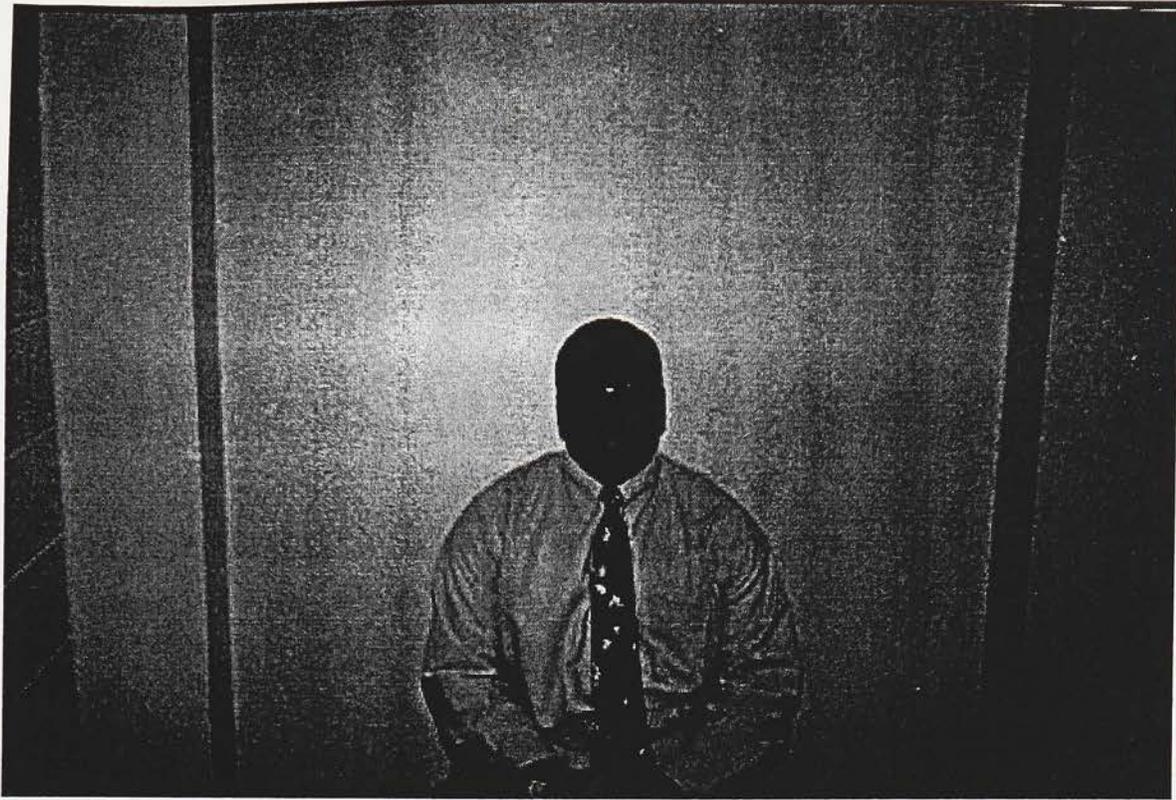


**JULIA MOSLEY**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2002**  
**HOBBIES: NA**

*Julia Mosley*  
*Business Administration*  
*Graduation: May 2002*

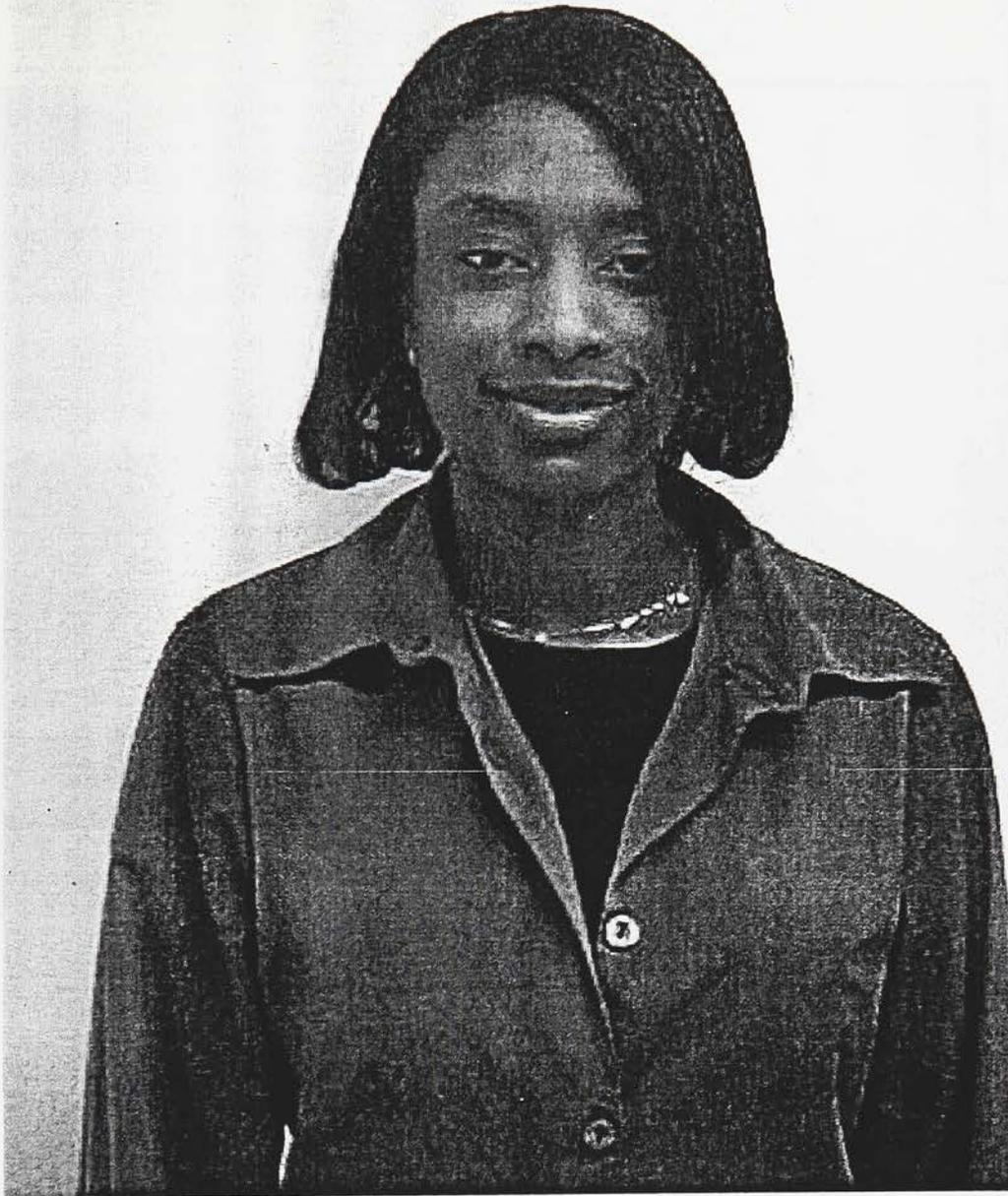


**Kurt Peper**  
**Major: Accounting**  
**Graduation: May 2003**



**Arthur Robinson**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: May 2001**  
**Hobbies: NA**

Charles ...  
Major: Computer Information Systems  
Graduation: May 2001



**Sharlene Sterling**  
**Major: Computer Information System**  
**Graduation: May 2002**



**Julie Wallace**  
**Major: Business Administration**  
**Graduation: Summer 2000**  
**Hobbies: NA**

*Yolanda Williams*  
*Computer Information Systems*  
*May 2001*



**Yolanda Williams**  
**Computer Information Systems**  
**May 2001**

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**AMBER D. ELLIS**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 6, 2000**  
**HOBBIES: RUNNING**

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**AUGUSTA HOLLOWAY**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2003**  
**HOBBIES: NA**

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**BRIAN SWANSON**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2003**  
**HOBBIES: NA**

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**JENNIFER PERRY**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: AUGUST 2000**  
**HOBBIES: NA**

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**ASHLEY IVORY**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2001**  
**HOBBIES: NA**

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**ANGELIA TATE**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: MAY 2002**  
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**BRYAN AUSTIN**  
**MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**GRADUATION: DECEMBER 2000**  
**HOBBIES: NA**