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**NSU Engineering Professor Keynote Speaker at the 2009 Beta Kappa Chi/National Institutes of Science Conference**

This year, Norfolk State University along with Hampton University hosted the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint Meeting of the Beta Kappa Chi/National Institutes of Sciences Conference. The four day event was held at the Norfolk Sheraton Hotel, Norfolk State University, and Hampton University. On Friday, March 27, 2009, Dr. Arlene P. Maclin, Professor of Engineering and Director of the NSU Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence served as the keynote luncheon speaker. The Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence also sponsored the luncheon for almost 300 attendees. Her presentation, entitled “Integrity, Intelligence, Imagination, and Innovation” addressed issues of integrity, failures in science, methods of intelligence collection, imagination and innovation over the last 30 years, and predictions for future research areas. She inspired undergraduate students in the audience by indicating that it is will be up to the next generations of scientists, mathematicians, and engineers to build on the body of knowledge that now exists, and encouraged them to do so with integrity and a sense of ethics.



**Norfolk State University’s IC-CAE Named Top Producer of Internships and Jobs Among the Ten IC-CAE Schools in the Nation.**

Dr. Arlene Maclin, Professor of Engineering and Director of the NSU Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence (IC-CAE), recently traveled to Lansdowne, Virginia to participate in the Senior Advisory Board Meeting for the IC-CAE. During the conference, hosted by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Professor Maclin gave a description of the NSU IC-CAE and delivered a presentation showcasing program highlights and initiatives. Also at the conference the NSU IC-CAE was featured as being the top producer of internships and jobs among the ten IC-CAE schools across the country last year. The other IC-CAE schools include: California State University San Bernardino, Clark Atlanta University, Florida International University, Tennessee State University, Trinity University, University of Texas El Paso, University of Texas Pan American, University of Washington, and Wayne State University. Florida International University’s funding from the ODNI ends this year, however, FIU has just signed an MOU with SouthCom to continue the initiatives of the IC-CAE program. The ODNI plans to assist each IC-CAE institution with continuity funding based on performance.

The purpose of the NSU Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence is to prepare students for leadership positions in government service with emphasis on developing skills needed for a career in the intelligence community. At NSU, students participate in symposiums, seminars, undergraduate research during the academic year, and participate in summer internships and summer study abroad programs. This is all done with the support of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, through a grant which was awarded to Norfolk State University in 2006. See our website at <http://www.nsu.edu/iccae> for further information.

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