“If you think college should be transformative, this is it.”
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LET’S DO IT RIGHT OUT OF THE GATE.”

DAVID THOMPSON
ANNIE LOUISE HARRISON WATERMAN PROFESSOR OF THEATRE
This is a place where SCHOLARSHIP, LEADERSHIP AND GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT are not just valued—they’re a fundamental part of our culture.
Through a robust array of courses, labs, lectures and adventures, Agnes Scott students develop their leadership abilities while learning to understand complex global dynamics and navigate our increasingly interconnected world. They do this in classrooms in Decatur and on buses in Trinidad; on subway platforms in New York and on MARTA trains in Atlanta; during semesters abroad in Belfast and Chile and Thailand and any other place their imaginations can take them.

All the while, they work alongside brilliant women who passionately advocate for what they believe in. They are as quick to come together to champion shared causes as they are to respectfully disagree with one another when they encounter discord. They benefit from the mentorship of expert, invested faculty members, fostering lasting relationships with them, with each other and with the community in which they live, which encompasses a major metropolitan city and a walkable historic neighborhood. They join an accomplished alumnae network of high-ranking government officials, Grammy-award winners, CEOs and renowned writers, teachers, lawyers, doctors and professionals working across many other fields who all proudly call themselves Scotties.

THAT’S WHY WE CREATED SUMMIT.

OUR SIGNATURE APPROACH TO THE LIBERAL ARTS—SUMMIT—PREPARES EVERY STUDENT, REGARDLESS OF MAJOR, TO BE AN EFFECTIVE AND HONORABLE LEADER IN A GLOBAL SOCIETY.
SCALING YOUR SUMMIT

SUMMIT at Agnes Scott reinvents a liberal arts education for the twenty-first century by preparing every student—regardless of major—to be an effective change agent in a global society. Your SUMMIT can be as individual as you are.

Look for throughout this book to discover ways you can tailor your experience.
SUMMIT BASICS

Along with the leadership development and global learning content you will have in all your core courses, your individual SUMMIT experience will be guided by these four components:

1. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
   Complete courses and activities designed to hone your personal leadership style. Become an honorable leader by mastering five foundational skills: critical thinking, writing, public speaking, teamwork and digital literacy. Learn more on page 29.

2. GLOBAL LEARNING
   During your first year, you will begin to focus on complex global dynamics, an emphasis supported with a faculty-led study tour. You will study a non-English language of your choosing and complete courses and experiential activities designed to prepare you to navigate our increasingly interconnected world. Learn more on page 19.

3. BOARD OF ADVISORS
   You will benefit from an integrative approach to advising and receive guidance on your academic, personal and career goals. Your personalized team is made up of a SUMMIT Advisor, SUMMIT Peer Advisor, Major Advisor and Career Mentor (or for some, the opportunity to have a Career Ally). Learn more on page 13.

4. DIGITAL PORTFOLIO
   Starting with your first semester, you will begin the four-year process of creating your ongoing digital portfolio, which will serve as a digital showcase of your collegiate journey.

SUMMIT IN YOUR FIRST SEMESTER

Before you even arrive on campus, you will be introduced to SUMMIT through interactions with your SUMMIT Advisor and SUMMIT Peer Advisor. These advisors will help you get acclimated to our community and aid you in designing your course schedule. Then, as part of orientation, you will take part in Legacy, where you and the rest of the incoming class will participate in leadership workshops and activities. During your Foundational Skills Seminar, your leadership skills will be sharpened as you develop your critical thinking, teamwork, public speaking and writing skills. This will happen concurrently with Global Gateways, a foundational global learning course where you will be introduced to key global concepts, issues and ideas that set the groundwork for global learning throughout your SUMMIT experience. This first semester is also when you will begin tracking your collegiate journey through contributions to your digital portfolio.

PEAK WEEK

Much of what you will learn throughout your SUMMIT experience culminates with Peak Week, when you and your fellow Scotties will spend one week fully immersed in shared global, leadership and personal development activities. Learn more on page 27.
We are proud to offer our students a rich academic experience that is strongly grounded in the liberal arts. Scotties pursue their interests in small classes led by accomplished faculty who, in the words of Jamila Surpris ’17, work to create an environment in which people are “actually concerned with your opinion and wanting to know what you think…”

Scotties are intrigued by a variety of MAJORS and MINORS. Here’s what they choose from:

**MINORS**
PARTNERSHIPS

GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
M.B.A. Program
Bridge to Business Program
Dual Degree in Engineering

EMORY UNIVERSITY
Master of Public Health Program
Dual Degree in Nursing
Dual Degree in Computer Science

AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY
Clinical Nurse Leader
Accelerated Graduate Program

ARCHE
Cross-Registration Opportunities

OTHER AREAS OF STUDY:
CHINESE
JAPANESE
PRE-LAW
PRE-MEDICAL

MAJORS

Africana Studies
Art–Art History
Art–Studio Art
Astrophysics

Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
Biology
Business Management

Chemistry
Classical Civilization
Classical Languages
Computer Science Dual Degree

Dance

Economics
Engineering Dual Degree
English Literature
English Literature–Creative Writing

French

German Studies
History

International Relations

Mathematics
Mathematics–Economics
Mathematics–Physics
Music

Neuroscience
Nursing Dual Degree

Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Public Health

Religion and Social Justice
Religious Studies

Sociology & Anthropology
Spanish
Student-Designed Major

Theatre
Women’s Studies

EXPLORE OUR MAJORS
AT MAJORS.AGNESSCOTT.EDU.
“I love that our Scotties are so fierce and engaged, and they challenge me, and they teach me something new every single day.”
HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE professors who inspire fearlessness, help you navigate Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and make sure your voice is heard on campus?

“OPEN, AVAILABLE AND INTELLIGENT” are the words Sydney McClure ’18 uses. Sydney, who is a psychology major, describes Wallace M. Alston Professor of Bible and Religion Tina Pippin as “on that next level of intelligence,” but says that doesn’t mean she’s inaccessible. Quite the opposite, actually: “She invited our religion class to her house. She made us chili.” Professor Pippin might seem like an outstanding example of a teacher whose intellectual creativity is matched only by her capacity for care, but the truth is, that’s a common combination here.

That’s because Agnes Scott professors believe in you. They believe enough to push you to be your best, to help you realize your potential and to prepare you to lead and contribute in a global society.

Your professors can be found in their offices, on alt-country music blogs, on national television, on iTunes and in line for ice cream at the dining hall.

Professor of Music Tracey Laird published Austin City Limits: A History, which indie music blog No Depression named one of the “Best Music Books of 2014.” Charles Loridans Professor of Psychology Jennifer Hughes discussed her research on the psychological effects of commuting on Fox News Live. Charles A. Dana Professor of Astronomy Christopher G. De Pree talked about the significant contributions of amateur astronomers during a KCBS interview for iTunes U. In other words, Agnes Scott professors are renowned for their intelligence, and you will benefit from their tutelage.
THIS IS THE DNA OF AGNES SCOTT. LITERALLY.

The Mary Brown Bullock Science Center features a three-story mural of the DNA of Agnes Irvine Scott, for whom the college was named. Scott’s great-great-great-granddaughter, Lisa Harvey Lepovetsky ’73, provided the DNA sample.

RESEARCH GROWS FROM STEM

The Goizueta Foundation STEM (GFSTEM) Scholars Program—funded by the Goizueta Foundation and the Frances Marx Shillinglaw Women in Science Fund—is an innovative program supporting faculty–student collaborative research for undergraduate STEM majors at Agnes Scott College. Through the GFSTEM Scholars Program, more than 25 Scotties will have the opportunity to make the most out of their summer by working alongside expert faculty to build their professional research skills and learn about research ethics. Research fields included are physics, astrophysics, biology, chemistry, mathematics and neuroscience.
The sensation of perception. Zoonotic diseases (you know, the ones contracted by humans from animals). The effects of endometriosis on indigenous populations. The Walking Dead and the decay of Southern culture. How children can learn science skills by playing with dinosaurs on the Internet. These are just a few of the research topics Agnes Scott students are exploring.

In fact, most Agnes Scott students will conduct research before they graduate. Many will present the results at SpARC—Agnes Scott’s Spring Annual Research Conference (more than 200 Scotties presented last year); others will present at regional and national conferences; still others will publish in peer-reviewed journals. All will gain valuable experience that will prepare them for graduate school or the careers of their choice.

ASHLEY’S RESEARCH TOOK HER TO HARVARD—AND THE EDGE OF THE UNIVERSE.

At the urging of Chris De Pree, Charles A. Dana Professor of Astronomy, Ashley Zauderer ’02 spent the summer after her sophomore year conducting astronomy research sponsored by the National Science Foundation. After receiving her bachelor’s degree in Astrophysics at Agnes Scott then going on to complete her master’s and Ph.D. in Astronomy at the University of Maryland College Park, Ashley now serves as an Assistant Director for the John Templeton Foundation, where she leads a team in unearthing the great mysteries of deep space through her highly specialized work in observational radio astronomy. “I had a major shift in thinking about what was possible and available to me due to my summer research experience. Agnes Scott opened up not just the world to me, but quite literally the universe.”

INTELLECTUAL CURIOSITY IS THE NORM.

Scottie examine the Lewis A. Beck telescope located in our Bradley Observatory.
SOME SCOTTIES INTERN WITH:

- ACLU of Georgia
- Amnesty International
- Atlanta Magazine
- AT&T
- Blanchard Collins Law
- The Carter Center
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- City of Atlanta
- CNN
- The Coca-Cola Company
- Creative Loafing
- Decatur Arts Alliance
- DeKalb County Board of Health
- Deloitte China
- Emory Hospital
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
- FIFA World Cup Foundation
- Georgia Aquarium
- Georgia Legislature
- High Museum of Art
- Kroger
- NASA
- NPR (StoryCorps)
- Pfizer
- Seventeen Magazine
- Shanghai Red Cross
- The Smithsonian Institution
- Southern Company
- Turner Broadcasting
- UPS
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Naval Research Laboratory
-Whitespace Gallery
- World Affairs Council

77 PERCENT OF SCOTTIES INTERN BEFORE THEY GRADUATE

The Office of Internships and Career Services has three certified coaches on staff plus an internship coordinator to help guide you through the wide range of internship opportunities that will be available to you.

SUMMIT.AGNESSCOTT.EDU/OUTCOMES
Kristina Terziyska ’19 wanted an internship that would help pave the way for a future career in sales and marketing. She knew such internships existed, but she was not sure where to find them. However, with help from Director of Internship and Career Development Dawn Killenberg and Internship Coordinator Tomeka Stephens, Kristina was able to discover multiple internship opportunities that aligned with her interests and aspirations. To prepare her for interviews, she received coaching and guidance over a series of practices with Career Coach Catherine Johansson. Armed with the confidence and support she needed, Kristina found the exact internship she was looking for during spring of her sophomore year. “I accepted an offer as a Sales and Customer Relationship Management Intern at the UPS world headquarters, right here in Atlanta,” said Kristina. “I am very excited to begin working and learning many new skills over the summer.”

Kristina is not the only Scottie to benefit from the resources in the Office of Internship & Career Development. In fact, most do. Which is why 77 percent of Scotties land internships during their time at Agnes Scott.
YOU MIGHT CALL THEM YOUR BRAIN TRUST; WE CALL THEM YOUR BOARD OF ADVISORS.

During your time at Agnes Scott, you will work with a Board of Advisors, built by you, based on your individual needs, interests and goals. Your SUMMIT Advisor will begin working with you before you even arrive on campus and will remain a guiding presence throughout your undergraduate experience. SUMMIT Advisors are certified academic coaches who will assist you in making the most of your Agnes Scott experience, offering counsel about academic and extracurricular goal setting. For SUMMIT Advisor Mathavi Strasburger, her work is all about helping students find the best opportunities.

“One of the things we really want to do as SUMMIT Advisors is to learn about our students’ passions and dreams,” she says. “Then we can use that information to find opportunities for them so that their overall experience is really meaningful once they’re here at Agnes Scott, and after they graduate and explore new opportunities.”

For your first semester, you will also be assigned a SUMMIT Peer Advisor, a trained upper-class student who will work under your SUMMIT Advisor and will help you acclimate to life on campus. SUMMIT Peer Advisors reflect the diversity of our community and draw from a wide array of backgrounds, campus involvements and academic interests. Their role is to connect you to the resources you need to be successful in your first semester. You can meet with them during their assigned office hours, in group activities on campus and during fun outings off campus.
Upon declaring a major, which typically happens before the end of sophomore year, you will select your **Major Advisor**, who will provide you with discipline-specific expertise. This will be a faculty member from your chosen field who can assist you with practical questions about things such as major requirements, mentored research, internships, professional networking and graduate school.

Finally, in your third year at Agnes Scott, you will have a **Career Mentor** to guide you toward your desired career path. You will also have the opportunity to complete an application and be matched with a **Career Ally**—an alumna or a person who has worked in your target industry (or both)—who will prepare you for the professional world over the course of a 6-month mentorship.

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“My SUMMIT Advisor tried really hard to get to know me as a person, and not just be someone there to tell me what courses I have.”

**Anoushka Pant ’20**

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*Your Career Ally will be available your junior year as well.
WELCOME TO

92 MILLION PEOPLE PASS THROUGH ATLANTA EACH YEAR.

LOCATED IN DECATUR, GEORGIA, just a 12-minute ride by MARTA train from downtown Atlanta, Agnes Scott College gives you immediate access to the resources of one of the most vibrant cities in the country.

- Catch a concert at the historic Fox Theatre, CenterStage, the Tabernacle or Eddie’s Attic
- Explore the shops and restaurants in Buckhead, Decatur, Little Five Points and Midtown
- Serve with AID Atlanta, YWCA or Habitat for Humanity
- Supplement your in-class learning with trips to the High Museum of Art (one of the most visited art museums in the world), the Georgia Aquarium, the Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site, The Breman Jewish Heritage and Holocaust Museum or the National Center for Civil and Human Rights
- Intern with the Atlanta Braves, TBS, Home Depot (one of many Fortune 500 companies with headquarters in Atlanta) or any one of the thousands of nonprofit organizations located throughout the city
- Connect with thousands of college students at 19 colleges and universities that call Atlanta home
- Arrive and depart from Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, the world’s busiest airport, serving 150 U.S. airports and more than 75 international destinations in 50 different countries

To learn more about Atlanta, visit summit.agnesscott.edu/location.
WELCOME TO THE

You can board a MARTA train in Decatur to get into Atlanta any time you want, but if you’d rather shuttle into town, we’ve got you covered. Every weekend, the Scottie Shuttle takes students back and forth between campus and such places as Target, Lenox Square Mall and Your Dekalb Farmers Market. You can also make use of the shuttle to get to special events like an archery workshop (yes, seriously), the annual Atlanta Dogwood Festival or a Salsa Night hosted by Georgia Tech in cooperation with Agnes Scott and Emory.
There are others like you...

AND THEY LIVE ON
AGNES SCOTT’S
CAMPUS
In fact, 87 percent of Scotties live on campus. And who could blame them? Our campus is so beautiful that more than 30 movies and television shows, including *The Blind Side*, *Driving Miss Daisy* and *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, have been filmed here. But even better than the stunning Gothic architecture are the lifelong friendships you’ll forge when you live in close proximity to more than 800 brilliant, diverse women.

Whether you choose to live in Main Hall (the first building built on campus in 1891), Inman Hall (known for its spacious loft rooms), Winship Hall (a dedicated first-year residence hall), Campbell Suites or any one of the seven options available, you’ll find that living on campus places you at the heart of the Agnes experience.

**THEME HOUSES**

In addition to traditional residence halls, you may also apply to live in one of the college’s three Theme Houses. Each of these renovated Victorian homes is designed to bring together a small group of students who share a common interest. As a resident of a Theme House, you’ll plan activities based on your theme that are open to the entire campus. Past themes have included Eco House, Africana Studies, Evolutionary Woman and Cross-Cultural Awareness.
YOU KNOW THAT OLD ADAGÉ ABOUT HOW PROFESSORS MAKE THE BEST TRAVEL COMPANIONS?

NO? THAT’S NOT AN ADAGÉ YET?

WELL, IT WILL BE WHEN WE’RE DONE WITH IT.

During GBL 102: Journeys, a foundational SUMMIT course taken by all first-year students, your professors will become your fellow travelers as you embark together on off-campus adventures. In the months leading up to this travel experience, they will immerse you in the study of a foreign culture and its customs before leading you on a journey in which you will actually experience both for yourself. Because the travel component occurs during the middle of the course, you will have time to reflect on the experience as a collective when you return.
You will have many opportunities to study abroad, and we hope you will take them.

Scotties understand the influential effect that studying outside of their country of origin can have on their lives and careers, so they value abundant international experiences. Some follow their research or professional interests overseas, studying dance in Argentina or interning with the Bank of China... in China. Some return to their homelands to serve. All return to Agnes Scott as global citizens with fresh perspectives on what they're studying, how they're living and their place in the world.

As a Scottie abroad, you can choose from more than 150 universities in more than 50 countries, including, among others:

Argentina  Australia  Chile  China  Czech Republic  Fiji  France  Germany  Ghana  Hong Kong  Hungary  Iceland  India  Italy  Japan  Lithuania  Poland  South Africa  Spain  Thailand  Uruguay

Douglas Falen, Professor of Anthropology, says that one of the greatest joys of the trip is that “the sense of discovery is shared” by professor and student alike. “We want our students to take risks, so we better model it,” he said.

“What we’re teaching them is not just to be tourists, but to go beyond tourism and establish connections with people and an awareness of how other people live so that we are not just consumers of other people’s cultures, not just objectifying other people’s cultures, but developing empathy and understanding with people around the world.”

One student’s recent Journeys course took her to Manitoba, Canada, where a desire to push her “physical boundaries in the name of adventure” led her to experiences she’ll never forget. During her trip, Rachel Farnsworth ’20 found herself in the harsh conditions beyond the arctic tree line, building igloos during blizzard-strength winds, while also having incredible, life-changing moments like seeing the northern lights for the first time. “It is because of my Journey,” Rachel says, “that I can definitely tell you... pushing your limits is one of the best ways to expand your mind and develop your best self.”
We are so dedicated to being an environmentally responsible campus that we have a Director of Sustainability whose role is to help us systematically lower our greenhouse gas emissions, encourage widespread recycling and energy efficiency and oversee green building initiatives. The renovation of Campbell Hall, our former science building turned living-learning community, encompasses all of those measures and then some. It is a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certified Building that features geothermal heating/cooling, water bottle refilling stations and highly visible recycling bins. We also have five solar arrays on campus, generating enough clean energy to power 31 average U.S. homes.

Director of Sustainability Susan Kidd ’78 is pleased with this progress but keeps an eye toward the future. “One could say that sustainability is a way of life here at Agnes Scott. I’m thrilled every time people call our office to ask about a sustainable solution to a problem they’re facing,” she said. “But there’s still a long way to go. In fact, the hardest work—retrofitting energy and water systems, renovating historic buildings to be high performing, reaching an increasing number of students—is still in front of us.”

**MORE THAN 80 PERCENT** of Agnes Scott students are actively involved in community service—not add-a-line-to-your-résumé involved, actively involved.

There are **thousands of ways to serve** at Agnes Scott. Here are a few of the most popular:

**Scotties for Change** organizes multiple service projects each month that benefit the local community.

Students routinely tutor and work at **The Global Village Project**, an innovative school for refugee girls located minutes from campus.

Through **Alternative Service Experiences**, Scotties spend their spring, summer and fall breaks serving in areas such as North Carolina, Mississippi and New Orleans.

**Strong Sistas Mentoring Program** pairs Agnes Scott mentors with at-risk women at nearby Decatur High School.
Busy Bees in Community Service

Christiana Joseph ’18 has always had a stinging passion for bees. That’s why she founded the Bee Society to educate the school and local community about bees and the vital role they play in our natural environment. The club builds awareness with campus events like Bee Week, documentary screenings and beekeeping lessons. “The Bee Society was created [to preserve] one of humanity’s most important symbiotic relationships,” Christiana says. “Our end goal is to get Agnes certified as a Bee Campus.”
WHAT DO SCOTTIES DO FOR FUN?

Some call them Zorb Balls, some call them Giant Hamster Balls, we just call them fun.
Practice pilates in the quad, run around in giant hamster balls on the soccer field during our May Day event, attend concerts here and at neighboring universities (and make friends with students who attend those universities), eat from the food trucks we routinely bring to campus and

TAKE SELFIES WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE.

That kind of stuff.

When Fatimah Austin ’16 served as president of Programming Board, her mission was to keep Agnes lively. She and her fellow “ProBo” staffers (as she called them) planned a diverse range of activities from TGIF parties that would jump-start the weekend to concerts with artists like the WERC Crew, a local DJ collective, to the annual Red Light Green Light dance, which brought hundreds of students from neighboring colleges to the Agnes Scott campus. If your experience turns out to be anything like Fatimah’s was, you may even find yourself at an on-campus event taking a selfie with the college president.

With nearly 100 student organizations to choose from, and the ability to start your own at the drop of a hat, you’ll have plenty of chances to find your own niche on campus.

GET INVOLVED POLITICALLY through ASC Libertarians, ASC Young Democrats, College Republicans or Amnesty International.

EARN REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE writing or designing for The Profile, Agnes Scott’s independent student newspaper, Aurora, the student literary magazine, Her Campus, the online campus publication or the Silhouette, the yearbook.

PERFORM with the Community Orchestra and String Quartet or the Collegiate Chorale.

CELEBRATE DIFFERENT CULTURES by joining the International Student Association, which puts on an annual fashion show, or Masala-SACE, which sponsors the annual Holi Color Festival.

GROW IN YOUR FAITH through nine student-led religious groups, including Hillel, Newman, UKirk and the Muslim Student Association and Religious Life Council.

LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF AND OTHERS through Think, Live, Engage, a six-week program of facilitated intercultural dialogue.
At Agnes Scott, women sit down with competing theories and conflicting ideas and wildly diverse perspectives and they hear each other out. They learn from one another’s differences. In fact, difference is the tie that binds them. As President Kiss puts it, we’re “a community that’s small enough so that there truly are opportunities to build friendships and collaborations across these lines of difference.”

Students from 44 states and 26 countries bring myriad cultural experiences to bear on the Agnes Scott community, literally bringing the world to campus. You’ll experience a culturally vibrant campus community that fosters personal growth and the opportunity to form lifelong friendships.

"My students come in with all these backgrounds that are so unique and so different that I wind up learning so much from them—as much as I hope they learn from me.”

**Mathavi Strasburger, SUMMIT Advisor, Dual Degree in Engineering and Computer Science Advisor**

"Agnes Scott College is in itself very diverse, not just in terms of people who are here but also viewpoints. That’s what makes Agnes so strong; you can have friends with really different ideas, but also they’re very cohesive. We focus a lot on freedom of sexual orientation and female empowerment.”

**Jamila Surpris ’17, Environmental Science and Sustainability**

"I purposefully looked for a diverse school. That was something I wanted. I came here because I wanted to know what other people think.”

**Sydney Delaney ’18, International Relations and Business Management**

**INCLUSIVE DIVERSITY**
“ONE OF THE THINGS THAT DREW ME TO AGNES SCOTT IS ITS REMARKABLE DIVERSITY. THIS IS SOMETHING WE HAVE BUILT INTENTIONALLY. WE REALLY LOOK LIKE AMERICA—AND THE WIDER WORLD.”

President Elizabeth Kiss
Signing your name to the Honor Code is a sacred and time-honored tradition at Agnes Scott.

During Peak Week, Scotties participate in activities such as IMPROVe Your Leadership, where they learn the fundamentals of Improv comedy.
THE SCOTTIE RITE OF PASSAGE

Some call it the “Scottie Sisterhood”; others call it the “Black Ring Mafia.” All students count the Sophomore Ring Ceremony, in which they receive their black onyx Agnes Scott class rings, as one of the most memorable events in their college careers. Some never take their rings off. Ever. “The Ring is a big part of being a Scottie,” said sophomore Yasmine Green, who just received her ring this year. “Once I had it, I felt like I was really a part of the bigger community of Agnes. As students, we are part of the community from the day we move in, but having a prominent symbol of the school that you wear every day makes you feel it just a little bit more.”

THE SOPHOMORE RING CEREMONY IS ONE OF MANY DISTINCTIVE TRADITIONS AT AGNES SCOTT, INCLUDING:

LIVING HONORABLY
Through the Honor System at Agnes Scott, every student signs an honor code pledging herself “bound by honor to develop and uphold high standards of honesty and behavior; to strive for full intellectual and moral stature; and to realize my social and academic responsibility to the community.”

BLACK CAT WEEK
From field-day competitions to midnight decorating of Woodruff Quad to the Black Cat Formal, this nearly 100-year-old tradition helps welcome each class to the campus community.

ALUMNAE WEEKEND
During one long weekend each year, graduated Scotties return, en masse, to campus to celebrate their friendship, accomplishments and shared interests alongside current students at dinners, receptions and lectures. Which is why for 2017, the Princeton Review recognized Agnes Scott as one of the schools on their list of “Best Alumni Network.”

RINGING THE BELL
One of Agnes Scott’s longstanding and proudest traditions, each year members of the senior class who have received a job offer, acceptance into graduate or professional school, enrolled in military or public service, or have received other research/scholarship appointments celebrate their achievement by visiting the bell tower to sign their name and ring the bell.
LeaderStories brings leaders from all walks of life and all over the world to the Agnes Scott campus. They provide insight into leadership challenges and opportunities in their fields, interact with students and are invited to share reflections on their own leadership journeys. LeaderStories gives Agnes Scott students an opportunity to engage with trailblazers, change agents, entrepreneurs and visionaries. Past LeaderStories have included CARE CEO Helene Gayle, trans rights activist Janet Mock, Norfolk Southern CIO Deborah Harris Butler ’75 and environmental advocate Vandana Shiva.

“I THOUGHT I WOULD GROW AS A WOMAN AND AN INDIVIDUAL IF I CAME HERE.”

*Kailah Douglas ’18*
IT’S NOT HARD TO SPOT AGNES SCOTT GRADUATES.
THEY’LL BE THE ONES LEADING THE CHARGE,
RUNNING THE ROOM, BRINGING THE STRAGGLERS ALONG.

They’ll have learned to do that as a result of their SUMMIT experiences in LDR 101: Prologue and LDR 102: Dialogue, and through a multitude of other leadership opportunities available to students at Agnes Scott:

**DANA SCHOLARS** exhibit exceptional leadership and academic achievement, learning from one another in “leadership lesson” sessions. This select group of students also participates in a leadership series featuring speakers who are accomplished leaders in their respective fields.

**EMERGING LEADERS** are identified during the first year and are given the opportunity to participate in a multiweek program that refines their leadership skills through exposure to different leadership topics and situations.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION** offers a wide range of leadership positions for Agnes Scott students, including through Senate and Programming Board.

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** and many campus committees include student representation, allowing you to help shape the future of Agnes Scott.

**LEADING WITH TRUTH**
As a global media leader and humanitarian, 2017 commencement speaker Oprah Winfrey knows what leadership means. Whether it’s her role as a successful CEO, active philanthropy or myriad other creative endeavors, one guiding principle has always informed the way she leads: truth. “You’re nothing if you’re not the truth,” Winfrey said. “I’ve made a living, I’ve made a life... from being true to myself.”
SMART WOMEN
SWEAT
In order to represent Agnes Scott on the field or the court, you have to be at the top of your game. Our Scotties are fierce competitors, campus leaders and devoted student athletes. In short, THEY’RE WINNERS.

Join them as they compete across six Division III sports.

DON'T SEE YOUR SPORT? YOU’LL HAVE PLENTY OF INTRAMURAL OPTIONS FROM WHICH TO CHOOSE, RANGING FROM CHEERLEADING TO QUIDDITCH TO DODGEBALL.

VARSITY SPORTS

DOMINATING THE BOARDS AND THE BOOKS.

Garis Grant ’20 proves that you can put in the hard work required to be a record-breaking athlete while also succeeding in academics. As a high school athlete, Grant was awarded All-State and MVP playing basketball, and she went on to graduate magna cum laude. She had already set the bar for herself by the time she came to Agnes Scott, but instead of choosing whether to prioritize athletics or academics, she decided—why not both?

During her first season as a Scottie athlete, the Charleston, South Carolina, native set single-game records for scoring (33 points) and rebounding (24), and was recognized as NCAA Division III United States Basketball Writers’ Association National Player of the Week. She then went on to receive USA South First Team All-West Division and Rookie of the Year honors. Meanwhile, Grant has continued to excel in academics as an Engineering major, holding a 3.76 GPA while also participating in the Generating Excellence in Math and Science (GEMS) program and serving as an admission student ambassador.
EVERY TIME A BELL RINGS, A SCOTTIE GETS A JOB.

On Fridays in the spring, Agnes Scott seniors who have received a job offer or have been accepted to graduate school ring the bell in Main Hall. You’ve been warned: it gets loud on Fridays.

FOR WHOM (AND WHAT AND WHERE) THE BELL TOLLS

Past bell-ringing Scotties went on to become:

- Pulitzer Prize–winning playwright on Broadway
- Founder of the Tahirih Justice Center
- President and CEO of ANN INC. (the parent company of Ann Taylor and LOFT)
- Grammy-winning singer and songwriter in Nashville
- Adventurer and Emerging Explorer at National Geographic
- State Supreme Court Justice in South Carolina
- Fulbright Scholars in Greece and Argentina
- Public Health Analyst at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Assistant Professor of English and Studies of Women and Gender at Smith College
- Ph.D. in astrophysics at the University of Michigan
- M.Div. student at Harvard University
- M.F.A. in screenwriting at the American Film Institute

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