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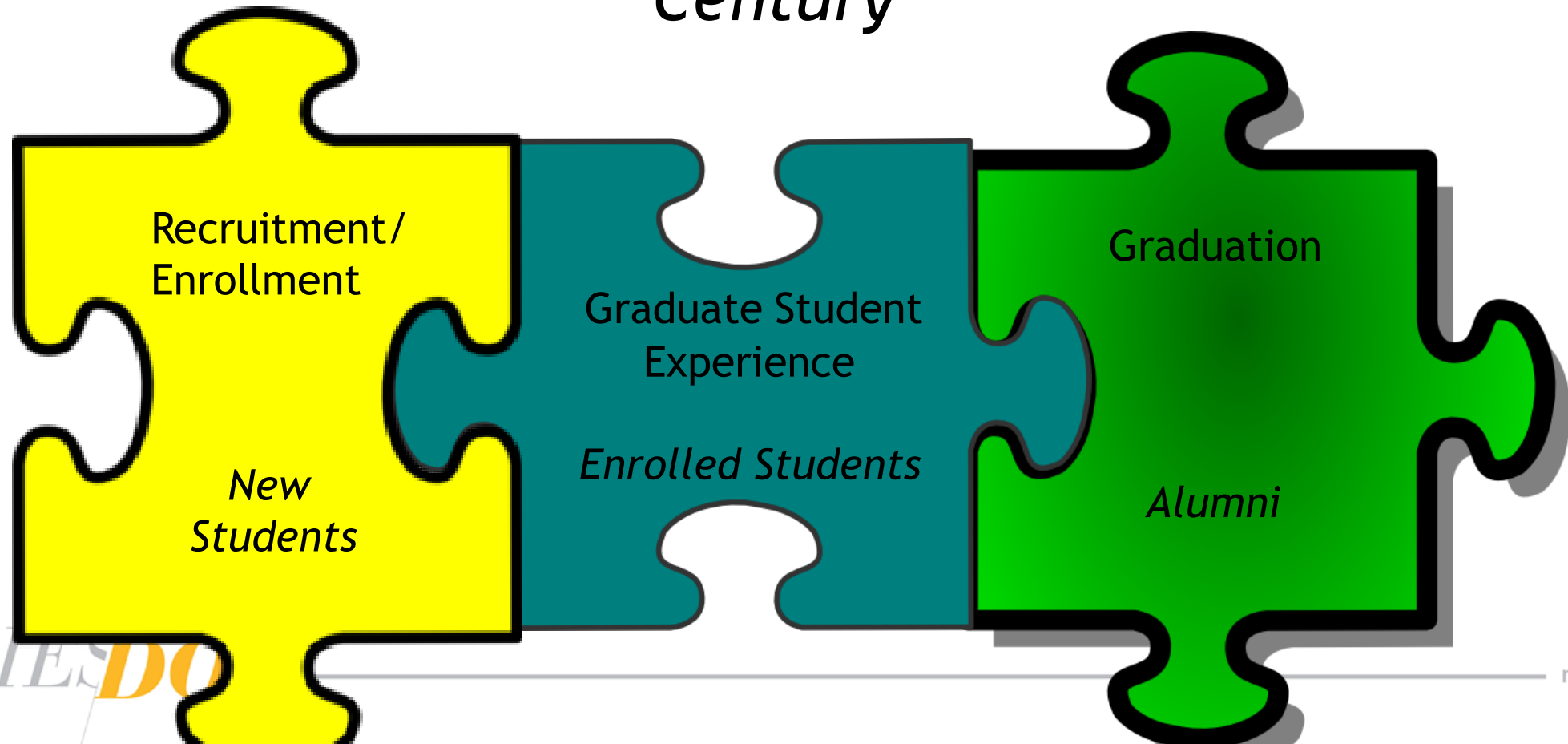
ENHANCING THE GRADUATE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

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PREEMINENCE 2020 Strategic Plan for Graduate Student Success in The 21st Century



Components of Graduate Student Success



THREE CRITICAL PHASES OF THE GRADUATE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

We help students stay focused and on-target throughout their graduate education by using a three-phase framework:

- First Things First (Emphasis on helping students transition from undergraduate to graduate level; orientation)
- Next Things Next (Emphasis on developing a wide range of competencies/skills; professional development, self-monitored activities)
- Last Things Last (Emphasis on preparing for graduation and career)

First Things First

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First Things First



Orientation



New Student Resources



Student Development

Welcome New Graduate Students to Aggieland

Welcome to Aggieland! The resources here are designed to help new graduate students at NC A&T prepare for success in their graduate studies. [Watch the video](#) overview of these resources.

Next Things Next

Next Things Next: Essential Components of Success in Graduate School

The resources below will help you get the most out of your graduate education.

1. Checklist of Major Procedures/Steps



Keep track of the major tasks you'll need to complete to succeed in this phase of your graduate education.

2. [Expenses & Financial Assistance](#)



Learn about how to manage your graduate education finances.

3. [Forms](#)



Key Graduate College forms.

4. [Current Student Gateway](#)



A list of key resources for students.

5. [Professional Development](#)



Info on workshops, Core Competencies, etc.

6. [Thesis/Dissertation](#)



Learn about thesis/dissertation requirements and writing resources.

7. Planning for Degree Completion



8. [Graduation Information](#)



9. Last Things Last: Preparing for Life After Graduate School

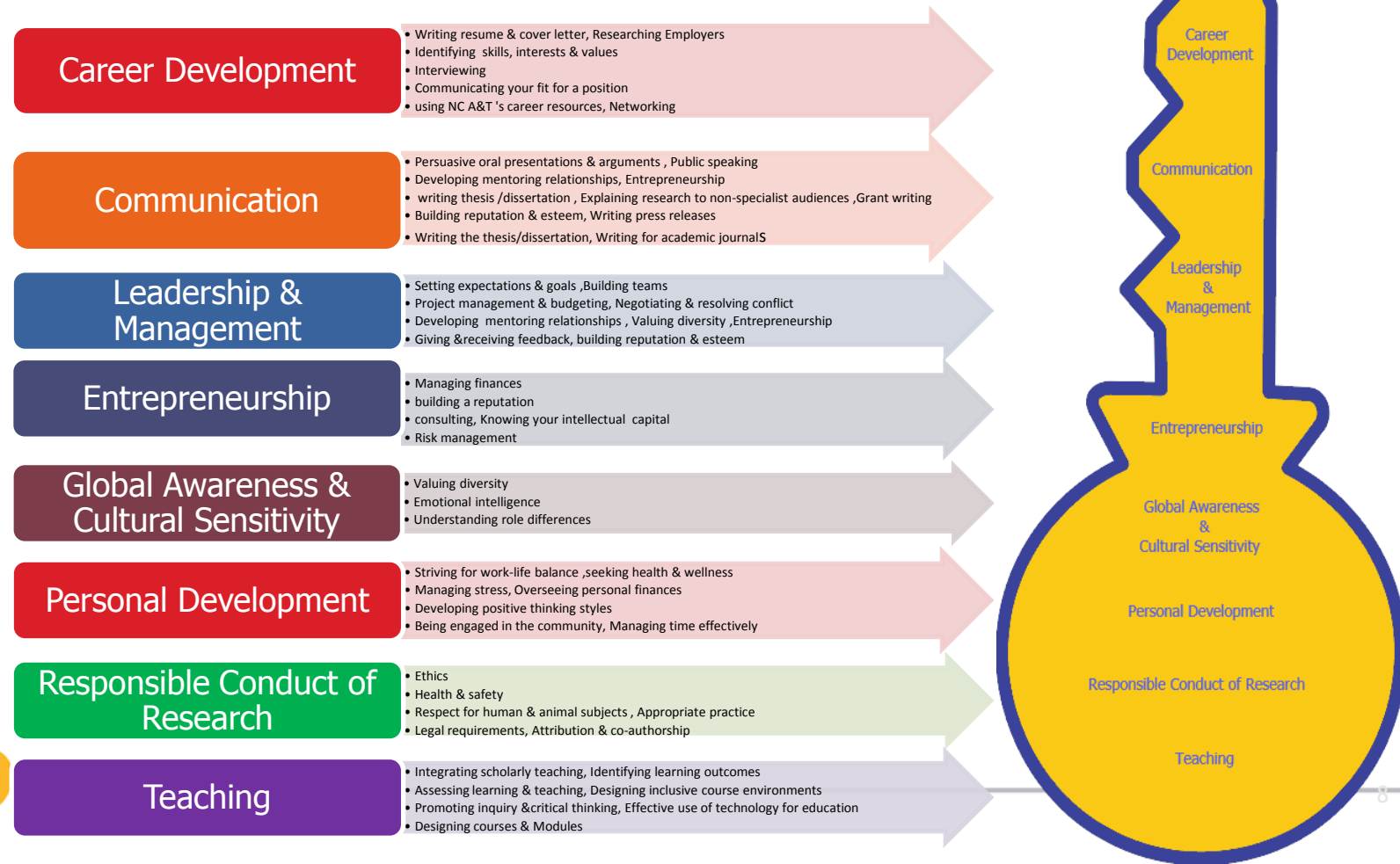


Last Things Last



The screenshot shows the homepage of the North Carolina A&T State University website. The header features a dark blue navigation bar with links for 'INFORMATION FOR' (CURRENT STUDENTS, PARENTS, FACULTY & STAFF, ALUMNI, COMMUNITY PARTNERS) and 'QUICK LINKS'. Below this is a yellow banner with the university's name 'NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY' and links for 'APPLY', 'DIRECTORY', and 'SITEMAP'. A search bar is also present. The main navigation bar includes links for 'ABOUT', 'ADMISSIONS', 'ACADEMICS', 'RESEARCH', 'EXCELLENCE', 'CAMPUS LIFE', 'ATHLETICS', 'NEWS & EVENTS', and 'GIVE TO'. The main content area features a 'Home' breadcrumb and a large banner titled 'Last Things Last: Preparing for Your Career and Life After Graduate School'. To the left of the banner is a 'QUESTIONS?' sidebar with a 'Ask The Graduate School' button and a 'Get Answers Here!' link. The banner image shows a smiling woman in front of a building.

Professional Development & Core Competencies: A Holistic Model for Student Success





CORE COMPETENCY LEVEL 1: DEVELOPING

	Teaching	Career	Responsible Conduct of Research	Communication	Leadership	Personal Development	Entrepreneurship	Global Awareness and Cultural Sensitivity
Developing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend teaching workshops and seminars<input type="checkbox"/> Create significant learning experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend CV or Resume workshops<input type="checkbox"/> Attend career fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend ethics lectures and seminars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend the lectures and workshops on communication skill<input type="checkbox"/> Attend academic writing workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Effectively lead diverse teams<input type="checkbox"/> Develop leadership skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Organize your time<input type="checkbox"/> Develop your personal skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend the workshops on entrepreneurship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Attend lectures and workshops on global awareness and cultural sensitivity

CORE COMPETENCY LEVEL 2: PROFICIENT

	Teaching	Career	Responsible Conduct of Research	Communication	Leadership	Personal Development	Entrepreneurship	Global Awareness and Cultural Sensitivity
Proficient	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Create an effective learning environment in the classroom □ Design an effective syllabus □ Plan classroom activities □ Manage time appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Build CV or Resume using sample formats □ Make a job exploration list □ Build professional and business networks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Complete responsible conduct of research courses □ Know the basics about copyright □ Know the basics of getting permission process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Speak publicly □ Build professional and social network □ Be a good listener 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Set expectations and goals □ Build teams □ Develop a strong mentor relationship □ Listen actively 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Develop self-motivation □ Think positively □ Build confidence □ Improve self-esteem 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Generate the business ideas □ Evaluate market opportunities for the business □ Identify aims and objectives of the business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Develop self-awareness □ Understand Cultural Differences □ Develop Cultural Flexibility

CORE COMPETENCY LEVEL 3: ACCOMPLISHED

	Teaching	Career	Responsible Conduct of Research	Communication	Leadership	Personal Development	Entrepreneurship	Global Awareness and Cultural Sensitivity
Accomplished	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify teaching strategies Manage large Enrollment Classes Learn Evaluation and Assessment techniques Create a teaching portfolio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine when to use CV , Resume or Cover letter Learn the hiring process of organizations Explore the job opportunities in your field 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn the steps in permission process Know the academic and educational permission process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve your presentation skills Improve your academic writing skills Develop mentoring relationships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delegate Responsibilities Lead Effective Discussions Motivate Your Members Run Effective Meetings Negotiate & resolve conflict 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manage stress Improve personal empowerment Develop creative thinking Take a healthy diet and exercise daily 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a business model Explore entrepreneurship resources for the business Research and development planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accept Cultural Differences Avoid Ethnocentrism Adjust Communication

CORE COMPETENCY LEVEL 4: DISTINGUISHED

	Teaching	Career	Responsible Conduct of Research	Communication	Leadership	Personal Development	Entrepreneurship	Global Awareness and Cultural Sensitivity
Distinguished	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide student feedback Use effective questioning techniques Develop effective working relationships across all departments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview for the non-academic positions Prepare for academic mock interview questions Finalize cover letters and application packets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know when use of copyrighted material is acceptable Know the copyright term and public domain in United States 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain your research to the non-specialist audiences Write for academic journals Write your thesis/dissertation Present your work at a the conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build reputation and esteem Empower group members Maintain a positive attitude 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devote to your education Spend time with your family Always be truthful and honest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manage process and infrastructure Budget your business Sales and marketing planning Forecast revenue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adapt to different cultures Nurture a culture of continuous learning Work in Diverse Teams