

# **Chancellor Search**

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

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**Dr. Cristy Page**Chair, Chancellor Search Advisory Committee
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As Executive Dean, she oversees the school's tripartite mission of clinical care, teaching, and research. Page has overseen a continual increase in research funding and growth in medical education. In 2023, funding exceeded \$625 million, growing by more than \$100 million since 2019. In the fall of 2023, the SOM opened Roper Hall, a new medical education building, and began expanding its class size to better meet the healthcare needs of North Carolina.

As Chief Academic Officer, she oversees education and research across UNC Health's statewide system. She is responsible for expansion and development of branch campuses to train health providers, growth of residency programs, expansion of clinical trials, and leadership of statewide faculty. She serves on the UNC Health Board of Directors and UNC Health Executive Council, where she collaborates with other senior leaders to set vision and oversee strategic planning, financial management, and operations for the system.

A health workforce researcher, Page serves as principal investigator on two cooperative agreements with the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the Rural GME and Teaching Health Center GME Centers. The national consortium increases access to care through residency program development and health policy and workforce scholarship. The consortium has contributed to the approval of over 830 new rural physician and dental training positions and has produced extensive research on rural health workforce development. Federal funding for the centers is over \$15 million.

A native of Wilmington and life-long North Carolinian, Page first came to UNC as a Morehead Scholar before completing her MD, MPH, family medicine residency, chief resident position, and faculty development fellowship in Chapel Hill. She has served on the UNC SOM faculty since 2006 and previously served as Chair of the Department of Family Medicine.



## **Anita Brown-Graham**

Special Advisor to Chancellor Search Advisory Committee Gladys Hall Coates Distinguished Professor of Public Law & Government, Director of ncIMPACT Initiative, Senior Associate Dean of Strategic Initiatives

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Anita Brown-Graham launched the UNC School of Government's ncIMPACT initiative in 2017, which was designed to expand the School of Government's capacity to work with public officials on complex policy issues. Brown-Graham and her colleagues have devised programs to support communities working on Opportunity Youth, educational attainment, economic mobility, poverty, the expansion of prekindergarten, extending the labor pool, and mitigating opioid misuse.

Brown-Graham is a William C. Friday Fellow, American Marshall Fellow and Eisenhower Fellow. In 2021, she was named the Distinguished Eisenhower Fellow of the Year. In 2013, the White House named her a Champion of Change for her work. The Triangle Business Journal named her a 2014 Woman in Business for her policy leadership in the state, a 2017 CEO of the Year for work at the Institute of Emerging Issues at NC State University (2007-2016), and, in 2021, honored her with the first-ever Andrea Harris Legacy award for her commitment to small businesses. Brown-Graham serves on the boards of several organizations. She earned an undergraduate degree from Louisiana State University and a law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Learn more at ncIMPACT.org.



## **Kellie Hunt Blue**

Vice President, School of Government Foundation Board of Directors County Manager, Robeson County Member, University of North Carolina Board of Governors

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Kellie Hunt Blue, of Pembroke, NC, is committed to ensuring that the citizens of North Carolina have an opportunity to pursue higher education. One of her goals as a Board member is to promote access and affordability to all students throughout the state. She is currently the county manager for Robeson County and is responsible for overseeing the business operations of the county government's various departments. She joined the county government in 1997 and has held several positions, including finance director and assistant finance director. Under her leadership, she supervised fiscal operations, accounting records, and compliance with local, state, and federal laws and ordinances.

Prior to her work in Robeson County government, Blue had worked in financial departments in both the private and public sector. She served as the fiscal specialist and program evaluator for the Lumber River Council of Governments and as the internal auditor for Southern National Corporation. Blue also serves on the Local Government Federal Credit Union Board of Directors, Governmental Finance Officers Association (national and state), and the UNC School of Government Foundation Board. She is the former chair of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke Board of Trustees. She has received the Governmental Finance Officers Association's Excellence in Financial Reporting award for the past 10 fiscal years and the Outstanding Alumnus Award from UNCP, where she had earned her bachelor's degree in accounting.



# **Jennifer Halsey Evans**

Trustee Member, UNC-Chapel Hill Board of Trustees

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Jennifer Halsey Evans has served high-growth medical technology companies for 25 years as an investor, advisor and senior executive in strategy and finance. Her portfolio includes companies with innovative products in digital diagnostics, diabetes management, interventional neuroradiology, cardiac arrhythmia and cancer therapy. She works collaboratively with entrepreneurs to determine the optimal path for value creation and the ideal timing and process to engage in partner discussions.

Ms. Evans began her career in healthcare investment banking at Goldman Sachs in New York after graduating from Carolina with Highest Honors and Distinction as a Morehead Scholar. After Goldman, she co-founded and led Asante Partners — a strategic advisory firm focused on medical technology mergers — for sixteen years in the San Francisco Bay Area. She then served as Senior Vice President, Strategy and Business Development for NYSE-listed Varian Medical Systems, the \$16 billion global leader in cancer therapy.

Ms. Evans currently serves on the University's Board of Trustees, as a director of the UNC Foundation Investment Fund and on the Rams Club board. She previously served as Chair of the Morehead-Cain Scholarship Fund, Chair of the University's Board of Visitors and Co-Chair of the \$5 billion Campaign for Carolina. She also served as Professor of the Practice in UNC's Department of Economics, leading an undergraduate honors seminar on entrepreneurship in Silicon Valley. A lifelong, passionate Tar Heel and a proud Carolina parent, she moved back to Chapel Hill in 2020.



## **Christopher Everett**

Student Body President (2023-2024), UNC-Chapel Hill

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Christopher Everett is a public policy major from Clayton, NC. He served UNC-Chapel Hill as the 2023-2024 Student Body President and as a University Trustee. He is currently on the pre-law track and plans to attend law school in the fall of 2024. Outside of his academics, Christopher is heavily involved in UNC's Presbyterian Campus Ministry and is a retired gymnast from UNC's Club Gymnastics Team. Born and raised in North Carolina, Christopher hopes to continue his advocacy in the future by serving in the governmental and political spheres.



# Veronica Flaspoehler

President, Carolina Alumni (General Alumni Association)

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Veronica is the President of Carolina Alumni, the alumni association of UNC Chapel Hill formerly known as the General Alumni Association. Prior to leading the alumni association, Veronica was a banking executive and was with Wells Fargo for 15 years. She was a Senior Vice President and Head of Corporate & Investment Banking (CIB) Issues Management where she was responsible for leading the control management program and developing an aggregated view of the risks across the Corporate & Investment Banking businesses, covering Banking, Commercial Real Estate, Markets, and International. Through proactive coordination, her team delivered integrated risk strategy, producing an efficient and sustainable control environment and a culture of strong risk management.

Veronica's prior roles at the bank include serving as the Chief Anti-Money Laundering Officer for the Latin America and Caribbean regions and leading efforts to build risk oversight programs covering regulatory compliance, operational risk and financial crimes. Additionally, Veronica led and supported a number of change initiatives at the bank, spanning business lines and enterprise functions.

Veronica graduated from the University of North Carolina (UNC) at Chapel Hill with a Bachelor of Arts, double majoring in Economics and Public Policy with a minor in Entrepreneurship Studies. While at UNC, Veronica served as the Class of 2008 Senior Class Vice President among other leadership roles and service organizations. Born in Alajuela, Costa Rica, Veronica grew up in Lincolnton, North Carolina. She has served on the UNC General Alumni Association Board of Directors, UNC Alumni Committee for Racial and Ethnic Diversity, UNC Board of Visitors, Carolina Latinx Center Advisory Board, and the UNC Young Alumni Leadership Council. Her husband, Jon Flaspoehler '08, is also a proud graduate of UNC Chapel Hill and they have two children.



## **Dr. Frank Gilliam**

Chancellor, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

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Dr. Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. began his tenure as the eleventh Chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG) in September 2015. He is the first African American chancellor to lead a non-HBCU in the UNC System.

Dr. Gilliam's career spans more than 35 years in higher education, including, Dean of the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs as well as Professor of Public Policy and Political Science at UCLA, where his research focused on strategic communications, public policy, electoral politics, and racial and ethnic politics. During his tenure, UNCG has surpassed a record 20,000 students; grown its endowment, research enterprise, and overall facilities and campus infrastructure; significantly increased its fundraising; and elevated the presence, reputation, and real-world impact of the largest university in the North Carolina Triad region.

Dr. Gilliam has not only led the campus to record growth, but has also helped build a solid foundation for a very bright future at the university – from the development of a new \$105M Nursing and Instructional Building which opened January 2021; to establishing a Millennial Campus designation, creating the conditions that will drive growth in areas like health and wellness and the creative and performing arts on campus and in the broader community; to increasing diversity among faculty and administration; and working with leaders on this campus and beyond on innovative student success initiatives lauded by national foundations and press and earning UNCG distinction as the best school in North Carolina for social mobility.



**Peter Hans** 

President, University of North Carolina System

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Peter Hans is the seventh president of the University of North Carolina System. As a first-generation college graduate, he is committed to providing accessible, affordable, high-quality educational opportunities for all. Hans took the helm in August 2020, guiding the UNC System through the pandemic and, at the same time, enacting policy reforms designed to broaden student access, boost affordability, and expand student mental health services. He championed record investments in repair and renovation of campus facilities and successfully advocated for the University's budget priorities, while launching a financial overhaul that brings greater accountability for spending decisions across the System.

Previously, Hans served as the ninth president of the North Carolina Community College system. During his tenure the system increased visibility, enrollment, completion rates, public funding, private support, and business partnerships. Hans was elected by the legislature to the State Board of Community Colleges (1997-2003) and UNC Board of Governors (2003-2015) where he was chosen by peers for leadership roles and fought for streamlining the transfer of student credits.

Previously he served as senior policy advisor to three members of the United States Senate, counseled the private sector on public affairs at one of the state's largest law firms, and supported UNC System President Margaret Spellings on key initiatives. Hans grew up in the small North Carolina towns of Southport on the coast and Hendersonville in the mountains. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from UNC-Chapel Hill and a Master of Liberal Arts in extension studies from Harvard University.



## **Dr. Beth Moracco**

Associate Professor, Department of Health Behavior, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health

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After completing her B.A. in Political Science with a certificate in African Studies at the University of Florida, Dr. Moracco served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire) where she stayed for a total of five years, teaching at a Teachers' College and working on health and sanitation projects. She returned to the U.S. to pursue her MPH and then Ph.D. in Health Behavior at the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health.

She joined the Health Behavior faculty in 2008 and has held several important leadership positions in the department. Moracco is widely known as an outstanding teacher, mentor, practitioner and researcher. Her research and practice are centered on violence prevention, with a focus on gender-based violence in both local and global settings. She was honored with the University's Edward Kidder Graham Faculty Service Award in 2021 in acknowledgement of her dedication to the reduction and prevention of domestic and other types of gender-based violence. Skilled in intervention development and evaluation, Moracco is an expert in community-based engagement, in which stakeholders are active participants in the design and evaluation of interventions that meet their community's needs. Her excellence in teaching and mentorship was recognized with the Edward G. McGavran Award for Excellence in Teaching from the public health school in 2019.

A "Triple Tar Heel" (alumna, faculty member and parent), Moracco has served in leadership roles at the departmental, school, and university levels. Her Faculty Governance experience includes three terms as an elected representative on the Faculty Council, and membership on the Agenda Committee, Fixed-Term Faculty Committee and Educational Policy Committee.

As Chair of the Faculty, Moracco seeks to engage faculty, administrators, staff, and students in order enact authentic shared governance at the University. Her priorities are to protect and enhance Carolina's efforts toward building an inclusive, equitable environment; safeguard the integrity of the role of faculty in shared governance; and advocate for complete and timely communication and information-sharing.



**Katie Musgrove** 

Chair of the Employee Forum, UNC-Chapel Hill Clinical Programs Manager, UNC School of Law

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Katie Musgrove, the Chair of the Employee Forum since 2021, is the Clinical Programs Manager at UNC School of Law. She also serves as co-chair of the Staff Advisory Committee to the Chancellor (STACC), as well as serving on many other campus committees. Her previous leadership roles on the Employee Forum include serving as the Community Service Committee chair from 2016-2019 and the Vice Chair of the body from 2019-2021. Professionally, she was previously the Program Administrator for the Natural Products Research Laboratories (NPRL) at UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy from 2015-2019. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in history from UNC-Chapel Hill in 2015. She is originally from Kernersville, North Carolina, and currently resides in Burlington, North Carolina. Katie is a HUGE Carolina fan and enjoys cheering on the Tar Heels at UNC basketball, football, and baseball games. GO HEELS!



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A trusted adviser and accomplished litigator, Jim Phillips advises and represents businesses, businesspeople and professionals in litigation and other disputes with third parties and the government. He is frequently called upon to take the lead in disputes that are in the public eye.

Jim is known for his effective advocacy in the courtroom and his ability to strategically advise clients so that they avoid litigation. He has litigated complex business matters in federal and state courts in North Carolina and across the United States. He has led the defense of significant claims for violations of the federal and state securities laws, and has litigated numerous intellectual property and trade secrets cases, many of which involved hearings seeking injunctive relief. In addition, Jim has litigated cases involving contracts, real property, employment issues, tax issues, defamation, construction issues and a variety of business torts. In recent years, Jim has litigated a number of cases involving the interpretation and application of the North Carolina constitution.

Jim currently serves on the Board of Trustees of Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina and the Board of Directors of the Piedmont Triad Partnership. He previously served on the boards of BEST NC, the James B. Hunt Institute for Educational Leadership and Policy and Triad Stage. Jim has chaired the N.C. Bar Association's Administration of Justice Committee. Jim also served on the University of North Carolina Board of Governors, chairing the Board from 2006 through 2008.



John Preyer
Chair, UNC-Chapel Hill Board of Trustees

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John Preyer graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1990 with a political science degree, He served on the Board of Visitors for the UNC Institute for the Environment from 2011 to 2020 and on the University's Board of Visitors from 2012 to 2016. He became a member of the Board of Trustees in 2019 and served as vice chair. In August, Prever became chair of the board.

He is proud that during his years of service to Carolina, he helped create two new programs on campus: the North Carolina Collaboratory, which allocates funding for research collaborations across the UNC System, and the new School of Civic Life and Leadership, which is aimed at helping students engage in civil discourse. Preyer grew up in Greensboro, North Carolina. After he graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill, he became the legislative director for U.S. Sen. Lauch Faircloth of North Carolina, working on several environmental issues, such as wetland regulation and endangered species.

With his experience on those issues, Preyer returned to North Carolina and in 1998 co-founded Restoration Systems, a Raleigh-based company that specializes in wetland, stream, nutrient, and habitat mitigation. Preyer served on the board of directors of the nonprofit North Carolina Coastal Federation from 2002 to 2006. He joined the UNC Institute for the Environment's board of visitors in 2011.



Randy Ramsey
Chair, University of North Carolina Board of Governors

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Randy Ramsey, of Beaufort, NC, was appointed by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2017 and reappointed in 2023 to serve on the University of North Carolina Board of Governors. Additionally, Ramsey serves as the chair of the Board of Governors, overseeing the 24-voting member board and supporting the overall progress of its committees and working groups.

As Board chair, Ramsey is focused on working towards outcomes that reduce student debt, grow four-year graduation rates, and provide higher education access to all citizens of the state. He is also very passionate about helping young people find resources to make their pathways to an education easier.

Ramsey is a Bluewater Yacht Sales principal. Randy Ramsey and Dan Reitz founded Jarrett Bay Yacht Sales in April 2003 and together led the merger of their organization with Bluewater Yacht Sales in 2012. Ramsey is also the co-founder and President of Jarrett Bay Boatworks in Beaufort, North Carolina, and is involved with the everyday operations of this world-class leader in custom boat building and repair. He has been involved in almost every aspect of the boating and fishing industries throughout his life – from running a charter fishing operation in NC, co-founding the successful Harker's Island Sportfishing School, working as a marine surveyor for various underwriters, and today heads up one of the industry's most highly respected custom boat manufacturing and service facilities within the 175-acre Jarrett Bay Marine Industrial Park located on the Intracoastal Waterway.

Ramsey lives in Eastern North Carolina and is a very active member of numerous local and regional boards. Most notably, Ramsey has served on the Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament's Board since 1987, serving as president for two terms. Ramsey and his wife Tiffany are avid boaters and enjoy participating in billfish tournaments together on their boat *Starflite*.



Malcolm Turner
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Malcolm K. Turner currently serves as head of strategy and corporate development for DraftKings. He previously served as vice chancellor and athletics director at Vanderbilt University. Turner also was president of the NBA G League, managing director at the Wasserman Media Group, and senior vice president and a member of the leadership team of OnSport, a North Carolina—based sports and entertainment consulting firm. A UNC-Chapel Hill graduate, Turner also earned joint JD and MBA degrees from Harvard University. While a student at Carolina, he was a Rhodes Scholar finalist, Morehead-Cain Scholar, and recipient of the Ernest L. Mackie Chancellor's Award for character, scholarship, and leadership. Turner served on the advisory boards for Teach for America, the UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School, the UNC-Chapel Hill Board of Visitors, and the board of the Morehead-Cain Scholarship Fund.