



THE UNIVERSITY *of* NORTH CAROLINA
GREENSBORO

**Chancellor's Opening Remarks – 2018-19
Academic Year**

In his Welcome remarks for the 2018-19 academic year, Chancellor Franklin D. Gilliam, Jr. observed that UNC Greensboro faces a critical moment in its history. At its own inflection point—a turning point after which we can expect a dramatic change—our University is on the verge of becoming a national model for how a university can blend opportunity, excellence, and impact to advance student success and transform communities. Yet it is only through effort, through everyone pulling together in the same direction that UNC Greensboro's remarkable, everyday impact will spread.



The ongoing generosity of alumni, corporations, foundations, and friends creates motivation for excellence and momentum for change on campus, in our city, and in our state. Located near the heart of the third largest city in North Carolina, UNC Greensboro values its connection not only with our city but also with surrounding communities. Each year, innovative guests, faculty, and staff members present programming that provides knowledge, inspiration, and unique opportunities to the public. Many of these programs exist thanks to generous donors. From visiting artists at the Weatherspoon, to engaging children's authors at Jackson Library, to thoughtful scholars of women's and gender studies in Eliot University Center, donors enrich lives and culture within our communities.