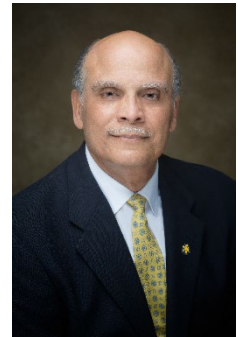


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Harold L. Martin Sr., Ph.D.
Chancellor
North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University



Harold L. Martin Sr., Ph.D., served as the 12th Chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University since 2009, becoming the first alumnus to lead the institution. Under his leadership, A&T grew into the nation's largest historically black college and university (HBCU), expanded its research capabilities, and increased its economic impact to over \$1.5 billion.

Martin's strategic vision has propelled A&T to national prominence, strengthening its academic programs and securing its position as a top producer of African American graduates in STEM, agriculture, business, and the arts. His leadership has driven significant increases in research funding, enrollment, and endowment growth, while also fostering key partnerships such as the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering.

Before his tenure at A&T, Martin was senior vice president for academic affairs for the UNC System and previously served as chancellor of Winston-Salem State University. Earlier in his career, he held leadership roles at A&T, including vice chancellor for academic affairs, dean of the College of Engineering, and chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering.

A recognized leader in higher education and economic development, Martin has served on numerous national and regional boards, including the American Council on Education and the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities. His contributions have been acknowledged with honors such as TIME magazine's Leadership Brief, the Thurgood Marshall College Fund's Education Leadership Award, and recognition as America's most influential HBCU leader by HBCU Digest.

A native of Winston-Salem, N.C., Martin holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from A&T and a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Virginia Tech. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He and his wife, Davida, have two adult sons and five grandchildren.