

YELLOW JACKET BATTALION ROTCOMPS RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY



Friday, September 29, 2017 | 11 a.m. F.S. Belcher Theater Davis Fine Arts Building

Historical Sketch of West Virginia State University ROTC

The second Morrill Act of 1890 made training in agriculture and mechanical arts available to African-American citizens. Section four of the Morrill Act required military training as part of the curriculum. West Virginia responded on March 17, 1891, by enacting legislation to create a special land-grant institution for African-Americans. Federal funds provided \$3,000 for faculty salaries, and the West Virginia Legislature appropriated \$10,000 to purchase a farm and build a school building on the land. The institution was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute.

Although not specifically included in the West Virginia Legislative Act, military training was conducted during the school's first year. The ROTC Department opened shortly after the establishment of a military corps in 1899. In 1915, West Virginia Colored Institute was renamed the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. In 1929, the college changed its name to West Virginia State College. In 2004, the college received university status and was renamed West Virginia State University. Military training continued at the college from 1899 until present with the exception of temporary suspensions from 1907-1916 and 1920-1942.

From its beginnings until 1915 the institution offered the equivalent of a high school education with a curriculum devoted primarily to agriculture, trades and teacher education. In 1915, the school was given the authority to award college degrees requiring instruction in Mathematics, Chemistry, French and English. The first college degrees were awarded in 1919.

Much of the credit for establishing the present Senior ROTC program goes to Mr. Daniel P. Lincoln and Professor Daniel L. Ferguson. Their success in conducting voluntary military training early in World War II kept alive the War Department's recognition of the college's desire to continue the ROTC program.

In 1942, Lt. Col. Payton Winlock established a Senior ROTC unit to provide instruction in Field Artillery. Artillery was taught until 1956 when the department was designated a General Military Science Program. Graduates could now be commissioned into any of the Army's 18 branches of service.

With the 1954 Supreme Court decision, Brown v. the Board of Education, West Virginia State College was propelled from a small, historically-black college to a racially integrated one. Program offerings expanded and new ones have developed as the college kept pace with the demands of students and the needs of the larger community. In 1970, the Military Science Department acquired elective status and ceased to be a mandatory program for all male students.



2017 Induction Program

Master of Ceremony	Mr. Coston Davis
	Director of Military Student Services
Prelude	. West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble Dr. Scott Woodard, Director

Arrival of Official Party

National Anthem	West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble
Invocation	Mr. Coston Davis
Welcome & Introductory Remarks	Master Sgt. Benjamin Lewis Senior Instructor of Military Science

Presentation of Inductee and Respondent

Major Duncan Robinson

Closing Remarks	Anthony L. Jenkins, Ph.D. President, West Virginia State University	
Alma Mater	West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble	
Army Song	West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble	
Postlude	West Virginia State University Wind Ensemble	



The West Virginia State University ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Inductees include:

1980

Maj. Gen. (Ret.)Edward Greer Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Charles C. Rogers* Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Harvey D. Williams Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Dallas C. Brown*

1981

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Frank C. Bacon* Col. (Ret.) George E. Peters, Jr.* Col. (Ret.) Robert L. Peters* Dr. Vincent E. Reed

1982

Col. (Ret.) Grover A. DuBose Col. (Ret.) James M. Garrison, Jr. M.D. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Nelson R. Bickley Dr. William J. L. Wallace (H*) Dr. Prince A. Williams (H*)

1983

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Robert L. Stephens, Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Preston A. Davis Lt. Col. (Ret.) Haywood Martin

1984

Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Joseph E. Turner (USAR) Col. (Ret.) Charles E. Stokes, Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Richard V. White Lt. Col. (Ret.) Howard L. Wilson*

1985

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Walter F. Johnson, III Col. (Ret.) Thomas E. Carter, M.D.* Lt. Col. (Ret.) Thomas D. Carter, Jr.* Lt. Col. James L. Hill

1986

Col. (Ret.) Paul H. Easley, Sr. Col. (Ret.) Roscoe A. Swann, Jr.* Lt. Col. (Ret.) John E. Baker* Maj. (Ret.) James W. Hawkins, Jr.*

1987

Col. (Ret.) Vandy L. Miller Col. (Ret.) Herman H. Jones Col. (Ret.) James W. Vallandingham Col. (Ret.) James W. Reed

1988

Lt. Col. (Ret.) C. Milton Kates Col. (Ret.) Alphonso W. Nabors Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bernice McGhee Col. (Ret.) Edwin A. Wilkerson

1989

Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Kenneth D. Gray Col. (Ret.) William P. Greene, Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Stephen S. Whisiker* Lt. Col. (Ret.) John L. Whitehead*

1990

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) James W. Monroe Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Jack Yeager Lt. Col. (Ret.) Acie McGhee, Jr.* Lt. Col. (Ret.) Ronald M. McLeod Col. (Ret.) George S. Roberts (Posthumous)*

1991

Col. Ronald E. Townsend Col. (Ret.) Kenneth A. Ingram Lt. Col. (Ret.) Henry R. Bellinger Mr. Earl E. Jones

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1992

Col. (Ret.) James A. Manning Col. (Ret.) John Mackey Col. Donald Townsend Lt. Col. (Ret.) Dennis Neighbors Brig. Gen. Roscoe Cartwright (H*) Lt. Col. (Ret.) Samuel Kelly (H) Dr. John W. Davis (H*) Mr. James Evans (H*)

1993

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Ronald H. Poole Lt. Col. (Ret.) Rodney I. McCormick* Dr. Beny J. Primm* Dr. Thomas D. Boston

1994

Col. (Ret.) Frankie D. Hoskey * Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Terry L. Tucker Lt. Col. (Ret.) Lazelle Free, Sr. Maj. (Ret.) George L. Rich, Jr.

1995

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Keith Sovine Cpt. John Willis Hill Gravely^{*} 1st Lt. Herbert Henderson^{*} 1st Lt. Edward Scott Sidney Taylor Brown (H)

1996

Col. (Ret.) Lew G. Tyree Lt. Col. (Ret.) Thomas E. Haggins Maj. Jeff Chandler Woods Cpt. A. Dayton Carpenter

1997

Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Earl M. Simms Lt. Col. (Ret.) Carolyn L. Maddox Lt. Col. (Ret.) Clifford Hill Cpt. Jerry L. Hatcher

1998

Maj. Gen. (Ret.) John E. Barnette Lt. Col. (Ret.) Ferguson B. Meadows^{*} Lt. Col. (Ret.) Francisco B. Newman

1999

Lt. Col. (Ret.) John F. Hailey* Lt. Col. (Ret.) Herbert L. Lawrence Lt. Col. (Ret.) Charles E. Wilson Lt. Col. (Ret.) Frank E. Duncan Lt. Col. Timothy A. Boyles (Posthumous)*

2000

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Howard G. Hicks, Jr.* Col. (Ret.) Cardell S. Hunter Lt. Col. (Ret.) Frederick C. Franklin Maj. (Ret.) Charles S. Corprew, Jr.

2001

Justice Leander J. Shaw, Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Osborne E. Reaves Lt. Col. (Ret.) Robert H. Meggison Lt. Col. (Ret.) Len O. Witcher

2002

Col. Terry L. Melton Lt. Col. Edward E. Dickerson, IV Maj. (Ret.) Stephen T. Reaves Judge Booker T. Stephens (H) Judge Herman G. Canady (H) Lt. Col. (Ret.) Charles T. Ledbetter (H) Col. David G. Shaddrix (H)

2003

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Jesse L. Haynes* Lt. Col. (Ret.) Clarence O. Hill Lt. Col. (Ret.) Harvey C. Johnson* Maj. (Ret.) Mexion O. Prewitt (Posthumous)*

> (H) Honorary *Deceased

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2004

Col. (Ret.) Theodore A. Crawford* Lt. Col. (Ret) Francis V. Wilson Lt. Col. (Ret.) Albert W. Powell Lt. Col. (Ret.) Charles W. Marshall

2005

Col. (Ret.) Tom Adams, Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Francis E. Crawford, Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Roscoe D. Crawford Lt. Col. (Ret.) Thomas L. Jones

2006

Lt. Col. Charles P. McCormick Lt. Col. (Ret.) Clarence "CJ" Jackson Lt. Col. (Ret.) Willard O. Jasper Lt. Col. (Ret.) Michael A. White

2007

Col. (Ret.) James J. Braxton, Sr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) Tyra Y. White Lt. Col. Vince D. Ross Cpt. Peter S. Ridley, Jr. (Posthumous)*

2008

Brig. Gen. James A. Hoyer Col. Michael R. Kitts Lt. Col. Rodney D. Johnson Sr. Lt. Col. Samuel M. Allmond Lt. Col. (Ret.) Quewanncoii C. Stephens, Sr. (H)

2009

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Stanley M. Jenkins Lt. Col. Antoine B. Bethel Lt. Col. Johnnie D. Ross Lt. Col. Daniel B. Jones, Sr. Sgt. 1st Class (Ret.) Joseph Turner (Posthumous)* (H)

2010

Judge Donald L. Graham Maj. Celeita A. Stephens Kramer Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr. (H) **2011** Col. Gary A. Blackhurst

2012 Lt. Col. (Ret.) Donald Cornell Carter (Posthumous)*

2013

Lt. Col. (Ret.) Barry Brasseur Col. (Ret.) Harold G. Fisher (H) Judge Reggie B. Walton (H)

2014

Commissioner (Ret.) Anthony Conyers, Jr, Mrs. Rose Agnes Cousins (H)* Lt. Col. (Ret.) Haywood Holder Staff Sgt. Henry L. Moore (H)* Lt. Col. (Ret.) Kenneth Rainelle Mosely Maj. (Ret.) Richard Ojeda II (H) Cpt. Mac Ross (H)* 1st Lt. Wylie W. Selden Jr. Cpt. Robert Lee Smith

2015

Cpt. Ronald Belcher (Posthumous)* Cpt. George Coleman (Posthumous)*

2016

Lt. Col. (Ret.) David Coates Lt. Col. Tammy G. Glenn Maj. (Ret.) Thomas D. Goodwin 1st Lt. (Ret.) Maurice "Moe" Gregg Col. Albert C. Johnson (Posthumous)* Col. (Ret.) James T. Johnson Lt. Col. Tara Lee Maj. Pleas Penny (Posthumous)* Maj. (Ret.) Lucius Reeves Maj. (Ret.) John Henry White

> (H) Honorary *Deceased



Major Duncan S. Robinson

Major Duncan S. Robinson is a native of Baltimore, Md. He is a 1984 graduate from West Virginia State University, where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice. He is also a Distinguished Military Graduate from the West Virginia State University ROTC Program.

Major Robinson is a graduate of the U.S Army Armor Officer Basic Course, Armor Officer Advance Course, Ordnance Officer Advance Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Small Group Leader and Instructor's Course, and the Army Command and Staff College.

He has earned certificates of training from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Major Robinson's previous assignments include duty in Fort Polk, La., as a Platoon Leader and Company Executive Officer with Delta and Bravo Companies 3/70 Armor; S4 (logistics officer), and Commander, Bravo company, 2/66 Armor, Garlstedt, Germany. While in Germany, he deployed his company to the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm, where he was credited with destroying more tanks than any other commander in the Division; Instructor/Chief of Simulations, U.S. Armor School, Fort Knox, Ky.; logistics support officer, Army Material Command, Kabul, Afghanistan; S4 (Logistics officer), 15th Signal Brigade, Fort Gordon, Ga.; S4 (logistics officer), 507th Corps Support Group, Fort Bragg, N.C. While at Fort Bragg, he deployed to Afghanistan and served as Chief, CJTF, 82nd Regional Command East Afghanistan and Capability Developer, Sustainment Center of Excellence and LNO CENTCOM Deployment and Distribution Operation Center, Kandahar, Afghanistan. Upon retiring from the U.S. Army in 2014, Major Robinson assumed the position as Supervisor, Pentagon Force Protection Agency Air Security Operations.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Distinguished Meritorious Service Medal (one oak leaf cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (three oak leaf clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Commendation Medal (3 oak leaf clusters), Air Medal, Army Achievement Medal (four oak leaf clusters), two National Defense Service Medals, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Afghanistan and Iraq Campaign Medals, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary and Service Medals, the Armed Forces Service Medal, and Overseas Service Ribbon. He also possesses the Order of Saint George and Order of Samuel Sharpe.

Major Robinson is married to his beloved wife Wanda and they have four children, Antonio, Scott, Laryn and Leah. His family currently resides in Chesapeake, Va.

West Virginia State University Army ROTC Program 15 General Officers

Name

Year of Graduation

Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Edward Greer	1948
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Harvey D. Williams	1950
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Charles C. Rogers*	1951
Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Frank C. Bacon*	1951
Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Dallas C. Brown*	1954
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Joseph E. Turner	1961
Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Walter F. Johnson, III	1961
Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Robert L. Stephens	1962
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) James W. Monroe	1963
Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Jack Yeager	1965
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Kenneth D. Gray	1966
Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Earl M. Simms	1968
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) John E. Barnette	1969
Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Terry L. Tucker	1972
Maj. Gen. James A. Hoyer	1983
*Deceased	

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Alma Mater

There is a place we love so dear— Its name we'll ever praise and revere 'Tis West Virginia State we love— Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

REFRAIN:

West Virginia's praise we'll sing— Lift our voices 'til heavens ring— As we gaily march along— We'll sing a song— For Alma Mater How we love her Pride of all our loyal hearts— From her we will never part— Thoughts of thee will ne-er be few Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by, And send her praises to the sky; To place her over all the rest, And Keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky; Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die— Arise! O men of God and sing; Were loyal, and to her we'll always cling.

The Army Song

Verse:

March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory We're the Army and proud of our name We're the Army and proudly proclaim

Chorus:

First to fight for the right, And to build the Nation's might, And the Army Goes Rolling Along Proud of all we have done, Fighting till the battle's won, And the Army Goes Rolling Along.

Refrain:

Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey! The Army's on its way. Count off the cadence loud and strong (TWO! THREE!) For where e'er we go, You will always know That The Army Goes Rolling Along.







