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Dr. William G. Ingram Receives Meritorious Service Award from Regional Accrediting Body

ATLANTA, December 17, 2015 – William G. Ingram, president of Durham Technical Community College, Durham, N.C., recently received a meritorious service award from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) during its annual conference held in Houston, Tx.

In thanking Dr. Ingram for his distinctive leadership, Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, former chair of the Commission’s Board of Trustees, stated: “We extend our appreciation to you for playing a significant role in sustaining the credibility of the Commission’s decision-making process and for your commitment and strong support for the work of the Commission.”

Dr. Ingram has participated in 27 site visits and chaired 17 reaffirmation visits for the Commission. In addition, he has served as a member for six years and as chair for one year of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees and as a three-year member of the Committee on Compliance and Reports, serving as chair for two years. Finally, he served as a member of the Principles Review Committee and as chair for the Companion Piece to the Principles Subcommittee on Educational Programs, Undergraduate Committee.

Ingram holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Ohio Wesleyan University and Master of Science and Doctorate in Education degrees in Adult and Community College Education from North Carolina State University. Prior to being named the fourth president at Durham Tech, Ingram served as senior vice president and chief instructional officer, director of Continuing Education, director of Off-Campus Programs, and dean of Technical and Vocational Programs. He also served as special assistant to the dean of instruction at Southeastern Community College.

The Meritorious Service Awards are presented to those in higher education who have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to and understanding of accreditation processes, who are respected by their peers for their integrity and the meritorious quality of their service, and who are recognized as models of competency, creativity, and accomplishment. Nominations for the awards were solicited from those active in the accreditation activities of the Commission on Colleges, representing the nearly 800 colleges and universities that are member institutions of the Commission.
Located in Decatur, Ga., the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges is the recognized regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the U.S. Southern states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and in Latin America and Dubai, Saudi Arabia, that award associate, baccalaureate, master’s or doctoral degrees. The Commission’s mission is the enhancement of educational quality throughout the region and it strives to improve the effectiveness of institutions by ensuring that they meet standards established by the higher education community. The Commission on Colleges is the representative body of the College Delegate Assembly and is charged with carrying out the accreditation process. For more information on the association, visit www.sacscoc.org

Photo: Left, Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, former chair of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees; Center, Dr. Bill Ingram, president of Durham Tech; right, Dr. Belle Wheelan, president of SACSCOC.