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## YOUNG TRUSTEES

### Undergraduate & Graduate

Three Young Trustees are selected by the Board of Trustees to serve concurrent three-year terms, and are elected according to the procedure given in the University's charter. Undergraduates nominate two undergraduates or recent graduates. The other Young Trustee is nominated by the graduate and professional student government. During the first year of a term, a Young Trustee serves as a non-voting observer.

Confusion exists regarding the nature and purpose of the position. The Young Trustee is not selected, as one candidate put it, to be "the ultimate representative of students." To quote from a letter by then-president Terry Sanford on this matter,

"By the very nature of the office, a Trustee cannot be a 'representative.' A Trustee literally occupies a trust position on behalf of the entire institution and all of its constituencies." (November 17, 1977)

Elected officers of the student governments represent the student body. The position of Young Trustee -- note that it is not a "Student Trustee" -- was created to diversify the membership of the Board by including current students and recent graduates.

Kurzweil, Jeff	1/1/72-6/30/77
Tift, Susan	1/1/74-6/30/76
Westmoreland, Timothy M.	7/1/75-6/30/78
Moore, John Kevin	7/1/76-6/30/79
Hillman, Jennifer A.	7/1/77-6/30/80
Robinson, Frederick	7/1/78-6/30/81
Sorley, M. Kathleen (Kathleen Sorely Wilson)	7/1/79-6/30/82
Hill, Diana Lynn (Lynn Hill Spragens)	7/1/80-6/30/83
Osteen, Edward Powell, Jr.	7/1/81-6/30/84
Costley, Mark	7/1/82-6/30/85

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Maisel, David Roland	7/1/83-6/30/86
Ives, Page Howe	7/1/84-6/30/87
Nahmias, David E.	7/1/85-6/30/88
November, Martin T.	7/1/86-6/30/89
Parrish, Alexander W.	7/1/87-6/30/90
Sears, Amy	7/1/88-6/30/91
Nelson, Margaret	7/1/89-6/30/92
Rowlet, Margaret (First Young Trustee from the Graduate and Professional Schools)	7/1/90-6/30/93
O'Leary, Michael (4 yr. term--non-voting member for the first year)	7/1/91-6/30/95
Krauss, Seth	7/1/92-6/30/95
Moore, Richard	7/1/93-6/30/96
Hicks, Douglas (Second Young Trustee from the Graduate and Professional Schools)	7/1/93-6/30/96
Mullen, Kevin	7/1/94-6/30/97
Dodds, Sarah	7/1/95-6/30/98
Timberlake, Susan A. (Third Young Trustee from the Graduate and Professional Schools)	7/1/96-6/30/99
Jeffries, Shavar D.	7/1/96-6/30/99
Nesbit, Takcus	7/1/97-6/30/00
Lam, Christopher	7/1/98-6/30/01
Busteed, Brandon	7/1/99-6/30/02
Smith, Clark (Fourth Young Trustee from the Graduate and Professional Schools)	7/1/99-6/30/02

Tomalei Vess, 2002-2005 (Graduate and Professional Schools)

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Kathryn A. Laidlaw, 7/1/2004

Ben Abram, 7/1/2007

Ryan Todd, 7/1/2008

Xing Zong, 7/1/2008

John Harpham, 7/1/2010

Michelle Sohn, 7/1/2011

Kaveh Danesh, 7/1/2012

Malik Burnett, 7/1/2013

Chris Brown, 7/1/2014

Shannon' O Connor, 7/1/2015

Ben Shellhorn, 7/1/2016

Christopher Paul, 7/1/2017

Erika Moore, 7/1/2018

Amy Hafez, 7/1/2019

William Brody, 7/1/2020

Kelly Tang, 7/1/2021