



Name: **Tomeika Bowden**

Position: **President**

Candidate Bio

I'm Tomeika, the current president of the NCCU Alumni Association, and I love N-C-C-U. As a legacy Eagle, Class of 2000 graduate, and life member of the Association, I'm seeking another term to build on the success of the last two years. I aim to create a bigger and stronger alumni community that can support the University, the

communities we live in, and our (prospective and current) NCCU students. As president, we maximized the virtual space. We held the first virtual Alumni Weekend and Homecoming, welcoming more than 500 alumni to learn and connect. Please learn more about me and the NCCU Alumni Association's extraordinary accomplishments here:

<https://linktr.ee/tomeikabowden>.

What does Truth & Service mean to you?

For 111 years, our great institution continues to prepare students to be fierce, show school pride, love one another, dream big, work hard, and have fun. We are who we are today because of our education at NCCU. We didn't just get a degree, we made lifelong connections, and we are loyal alumni, advocates, and monetary contributors to our beloved NCCU! This is what Truth and Service means to me.

What are three goals you have for the position you are seeking?

As president, I seek to accomplish three major themes: Care. Connect. Contribute. This means we will focus our efforts on attracting, engaging, and serving roughly 5,000 active alumni, strengthening our partnership with the University and student programs (e.g., Jazz Studies, band program, and Male Achievement Center), and work to increase collective alumni giving to be an all high greater than 5% of total NCCU graduates.