



N.C. A&T State University Appoints Entrepreneur-in-Residence

I am very pleased to announce that Mr. Antoine Smith, Chairman and CEO of the Smith Gruppe in Greensboro, has joined the School of Business and Economics at North Carolina A&T State University as Entrepreneur-in-Residence with the Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation. He will provide input on and support for the Center's programming, including:

- The Interdisciplinary Entrepreneurship Initiative to expand entrepreneurship to all disciplines on campus
- The Entrepreneurship Coaching Clinic
- The Community Outreach Initiative

He will also speak in classes and at campus events and collaborate with other departments and units on campus to help students and faculty translate their ideas into entrepreneurial ventures.

Mr. Smith has more than 25 years of executive and entrepreneurship experience, including:

- Risk Assessment and Investor Relations Management
- Sales Team Management
- Private Equity – Private Capital Markets
- New Business Development
- Business Consulting

He has successfully built and managed several businesses, and coached several executives and entrepreneurs. His current company provides corporate level business advisory and consulting services to small and medium-sized businesses.

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