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(GREENSBORO, NC) Ivory A. Toldson, Ph.D. was the keynote speaker for the fifth annual North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (NCA&T) Contemporary Issues in Transformative and Innovative Leadership (CITI) Conference held October 18th and 19th, at the Academic Classroom Building on NC A and T University’s campus, and sponsored by the university’s Department of Leadership Studies and Adult Education. It was billed as the venue of choice, where students could examine contemporary issues that affect political and social justice, global leadership, and community engagement.

Dr. Toldson addressed his remarks to the subject of, “Bridging the Generational Divide to Activism Through Leadership and Service.” Speaking of the need for this type of event, he said, “The issues discussed at this symposium, and the action strategies that will subsequently be implemented, will not only empower young people to grab the reigns of leadership in any future situation or venue, but it will also open their eyes to the many opportunities that are available to them on the global stage.”

The University described the event as an intentional platform that allows students to not only learn leadership skills, but to practice using them on a platform that is instructive and not punitive. According to planners, the desired result is to produce young minds that are not only learning leadership skills, but are fully prepared to use them when they exit college life and begin their careers.
Each year, CITI addresses the subjects around leadership challenges, strategies, and delivery systems in local and global societies. The lessons focus on strategies and delivery systems through research, scholarship, and Praxis. The 2019 conference included workshops, poster and research presentations, and roundtable discussions, all of which examined the subjects of: global, educational, organizational, STEM and ethical leadership; civic and community engagement; and social justice activism.

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