



Dear Charlotte 49er Community,

I am excited to serve as your Student Body President during such an important and transitional time in UNC Charlotte's history. During 2007 and 2008 Niner Nation will have the opportunity to work together as we see the release of the long-term Housing Committee's study, the construction of a new entrance, the release of the Football Committee's study and the planning for use of the Student Union. Along with these projects and many others we will see an increase in the value of the Charlotte 49er experience for every student and an increased pride that every alumni can have in their degree.

My sincerest thanks goes out to the many supporters and friends that have entrusted Tim and I with representing the student population. We will take pride in the diversity and unique capacity of the Student Body at UNC Charlotte as we work on the issues that are already present and as new challenges become apparent. I ask that we are held to our platform goals and our campaign promises throughout our term. Frequent updates on our progress will be provided through the SGA website, an upcoming blog and a podcast.

During the first few days in office, Tim and I will be holding interviews for our Executive Cabinet. Prospective cabinet members can find information on the application process at <http://www.ritchieernst.com>. The appointments for the Executive Cabinet will be among the toughest decisions that we have to make because of the limited number of positions and the high quality of those that apply.

After the Executive Cabinet decisions are made, we will plan for recruiting new members at SOAR and begin working on our many initiatives. Some of our summer plans include the creation of an information pack on 49er Merchandise which we can present to local store managers with the goal of encouraging more 49er gear in local stores.

Please feel free to email me at sbpres@uncc.edu to share your ideas and concerns throughout the upcoming year. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Justin Ritchie