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Greetings from Clemson!

In case you have not heard the news, our Clemson Tigers are 2016 National Football Champions! What a wonderful journey for Coach Dabo Swinney and the entire Tiger football program. The team pulled off an amazing last-second victory against powerhouse Alabama to bring home the championship again after 35 years. [Read more](#) about the amazing game. Enjoy these photos from [championship weekend](#) and the [Clemson Alumni Tailgate](#) event. While in Tampa for the game, some members of the [Clemson Family](#) took time out for service to others as they volunteered for the Saturday Morning Hot Meal program at First Presbyterian Church of Tampa. For all of us who love our Tiger football, it was a weekend we will remember forever.



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Thrilling athletic events may take the spotlight for a moment, but it is important to remember that our hardworking student-athletes are first and foremost, students. Did you realize that our football team was also nationally ranked only behind Stanford in [academic achievement](#) among the Top 25 teams? Now that is something to be proud of! Our mission here at Clemson is firmly focused on preparing all our students for a bright and promising future. [Read more](#) about the accomplishments on and off the field this year from University President, Dr. Jim Clements.

[U.S. News & World Report](#) has just ranked Clemson's [College of Education](#) among the best [online education programs](#) in the nation for 2017. The college's online education program ranks No. 10 in a highly competitive list of online graduate education programs for the Master of Education in Teaching and Learning. According to George J. Petersen, founding dean of the College of Education, this recognition is due to the hard work and dedication of faculty and staff in the college, who are committed to the constant improvement of its graduate programs designed for distance learners. Congratulations to everyone at the College of Education!

More than 1,300 students officially joined the ranks of Clemson alumni during [December graduation](#), which returned home to the newly renovated Littlejohn Coliseum. President Clements addressed the graduates with this inspiring message, "I hope that we instilled in you the core values that we hold so dear: honesty, integrity and respect. I hope that we challenged you, and inspired you to think critically, to be engaged in your community and the world, and to make a positive difference every day. Today, you join a family of approximately 145,000 members. Today, your life as a Clemson graduate commences. Make your life matter, make us proud, make a difference ... and go Tigers!" Congratulations to our new alumni!

What a wonderful time to be a part of the Clemson Family! We are very thankful for all of you who support our University and make it great. We are here to support you! Your ongoing generosity is an inspiration to all of us who love Clemson. Please feel free to link to our [website](#), call us at 864-656-0663 or write to us at giving@clemson.edu if we can be of service to you or your family. We invite you to learn more about IRA rollover benefits [here](#). We also encourage you to download our free [wills guide](#), which has been designed to assist you throughout the planning process.

We send you our warmest greetings from Clemson, home of national football champions and nationally recognized students and programs! We hope to see you on campus soon.

Gratefully yours,



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