

NC State Students, Faculty and Staff:

It is with great sadness I share with you the news that the three victims of a shooting yesterday evening near the UNC Chapel Hill campus include a current and two former NC State students.

Razan Mohammad Abu-Salha, a sophomore at N.C. State, her sister Yusor Mohammad, a Dec. 2014 graduate who went by the name Yusor Abu-Salha while at NC State, and Yusor's husband Deah Shaddy Barakat, a May 2013 NC State graduate and second-year student in the School of Dentistry at Chapel Hill, were all killed in this tragic shooting.

The Chapel Hill Police Department has arrested Craig Stephen Hicks, 46, of Chapel Hill on three counts of 1st Degree Murder. Chapel Hill police will release additional information as it becomes available.

The NC State Counseling Center has counselors available to assist the NC State Community. They can be reached at 919-515-2423. Please do not hesitate to take advantage of their services.

On behalf of the entire NC State community, I'd like to extend our deepest condolences to the families and friends of Deah Shaddy Barakat, Yusor Mohammad and Razan Abu-Salha.

Randy Woodson, Chancellor