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**FAA'S VP OF OPERATIONS PLANNING TO SPEAK AT ECU
PHYSICS DEPARTMENT GRADUATION**

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Greenville – Vice President of Operations Planning for the Federal Aviation Administration's Air Traffic Organization and East Carolina University alumna Vicki Cox will be the honored speaker at the Department of Physics graduation ceremony. The ceremony will be held from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 9, in the Howell Science Auditorium, Room B103.

Cox, who received a masters degree from ECU, will arrive on campus Thursday, May 8. On Thursday, she will meet with university career services and will attend a luncheon for students interested in a career with the FAA.

In her current position, Cox is responsible for managing the integration and implementation of the Next Generation Air Transportation System. She also is responsible for the National Airspace System enterprise architecture; ATO and FAA research and technology development and test evaluation activities; laboratory and test facilities at the William J. Hughes Technical Center; ATO performance analysis and strategy; and ATO international activities and strategies.

Other positions Cox has held with the FAA include director of the Operations Planning International Office, director of Flight Services Finance Planning and program director of the Aviation Research Division.

Prior to her career with the FAA, Cox served as director of International Technology Programs at the Office of the Director, Defense Research and Engineering in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. She also has served as chief of physics and scientific director of the European Office of Aerospace Research and Development, London.

As well as attending ECU, Cox is a graduate of Converse College and received her certificate in U.S. national security policy from Georgetown University.

For more information about Cox, her visit to campus or the Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences Department of Physics graduation ceremony, please contact Tamara McKeel at 252-328-6476 or mckeelt@ecu.edu.

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