

It all started with a tweet.

The account of Marvin Austin sparked a scandal, full of twists and turns, as broad as the University it continues to threaten.

As UNC waits on its latest probe, The Daily Tar Heel reviews...

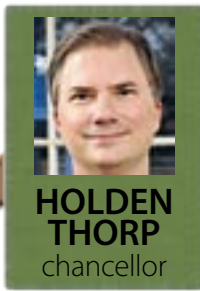
## the roots of a SCANDAL



**Fall 2010:** The University revealed that a former tutor, later identified as **Wiley**, gave impermissible academic assistance to some football players. Meanwhile, initial reports focused on players who received gifts in violation of NCAA rules. The NCAA ruled **Little, Quinn** and **McAdoo** permanently ineligible, while **Austin** was dismissed from the team. **Blake** resigned Sept. 5.

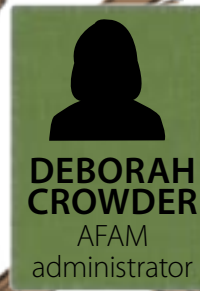


**July 2011:** A term paper by **McAdoo** was discovered to have been plagiarized, an offense that went undetected by the honor system and the course's professor, **Nyang'oro**. This marked the beginning of the investigation into the University's academics.



**Fall 2011 through spring 2012:** **Nyang'oro** stepped down as chairman of the African and Afro-American Studies department. Three days later, UNC began an investigation that eventually found that **Nyang'oro** and **Crowder** oversaw irregular classes. Some classes had a disproportionately large enrollment of athletes.

**July 2011:** In the biggest shock so far, **Thorp** fired **Davis**, citing no new revelations. **Baddour** announced his retirement the next day.



**Fall 2012:** An accidentally posted transcript belonging to **Peppers** revealed his enrollment in some of the department's classes. Shortly after, **Thorp** announced a new investigation to trace the scandal to its origin.

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### An outside review will cost the University more than \$70,000.

By Nicole Comparato  
University Editor

A cross-departmental investigation into a culture of academic misconduct doesn't come cheap. The University has paid a \$15,000 retain-

er to Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLC, a consulting firm based in Washington, D.C. that was hired to assist former Gov. Jim Martin in the review.

According to the firm's contract, the entire review will cost between \$70,000 and \$90,000 — plus travel expenses from the firm's headquarters. The contract states this sum reflects a 20 percent discount from the firm's normal fee.

Chancellor Holden Thorp called on Martin in August to conduct an independent

review of the University's Department of African and Afro-American Studies. Martin will attempt to have a report ready for the Board of Governors panel on Oct. 11.

In the past two weeks, Martin and the firm's team have conducted 16 interviews — each lasting about an hour, Martin said.

An internal report released in the spring detailed improper teaching practices occurring primarily in African and Afro-American Studies' summer courses between 2007 and 2009, and placed responsibility on then-

department chairman Julius Nyang'oro and administrator Deborah Crowder.

So far, Martin said he and the consultants at Baker Tilly are on track to meet their deadline. But measuring when he will be done is not a cut-and-dry procedure.

"You don't know until you finish," Martin said. "You keep finding things that string out that could take longer, but we think we're on target."

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## SOUTHERN SEASON

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“ We can't deny that there's a lot of smoke around here, which means we've got to go deep. ”

DICK BADDOUR