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When **Adrienne Wilson Middlebrooks** (Office of Undergraduate Research) earned her business administration degree here in 1981, she didn't know she'd be back. Her career has included teaching in schools and a community college, banking, retail sales and insurance. She joined the staff at UNCG in 1996, when she began work on Dr. Loren Schweningen's Race and Slavery Petitions project. She currently works as research programs administrator in the Office of Undergraduate Research. She took her first post-bachelor's course in 2001, an African history course. In 2005, "I took the plunge." She is pursuing her master's in liberal studies with a post-baccalaureate Certificate in Global Studies. "A tuition-free education," she says, referring to the perq that all staff can take advantage of. "As a business major, I can't pass that up." Dr. Jeff Jones is her faculty mentor. History is her concentration. How is it all going? "I'd forgotten how hard it can be. I love it. It's killing me, but I love it ... I have a new respect for students who work full-time." She plans to graduate in May. She is one of five family members who are currently UNCG students – she and two sisters, one brother and one of her sons (listed respectively). Now that's a Spartan family.

Middlebrooks' Spartan family members

1. **Adrienne Wilson Middlebrooks**, '81, BS, Business Administration; MA, Liberal Studies – May 2010
2. **Angela Wilson-Newsome**, 2006, BA, Human Development and Family Studies, Birth- Kindergarten Licensure; MA, Birth-Kindergarten Interdisciplinary Studies in Education and Development – 2011
3. **Andrea Wilson-Gray**, BA, Human Development and Family Studies – December 2009
4. **Christopher Wilson**, BS, Business Administration – 2011
5. **Willie E. Middlebrooks III**, UNCG MA, Conflict Resolution, 2009; Academic and Cultural Enrichment (ACE) Scholars Program, MA, Library and Information Studies – 2011