If you attended Wake Forest, Winston-Salem State, or Salem College you can now find your (or your parent's) yearbook photo online. Yearbook photos from North Carolina’s colleges and universities dating back as far as the 1890s have been collected and made available for viewing on a new digital archive as part of the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center which is housed in the North Carolina Collection at UNC Chapel Hill.

DigitalNC.org’s archive of yearbooks from 51 of North Carolina's colleges and universities are now available for anyone to see. According to the Winston-Salem Journal, the grant-funded project was initiated more than two years ago by the N.C. Digital Heritage Center at UNC Chapel Hill.

“When we started the Digital Heritage Center, we wanted a couple of different projects that could reach the entire state, something that a lot of institutions could contribute to that would create some general interest,” Nick Graham, the project’s overseer, told the paper.

Most institutions responded warmly to the idea, shipping about 3,500 yearbooks to the center where more than 800,000 pages were scanned.

If you use this resource it would be best to have patience as the search engine does not seem to be working very well at this time. The best way to search is to find that particular yearbook for the year and institution you are looking for.

You can access the archive at:

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