Dr. Ashok Jain, a 2004 graduate of Fayetteville State University's MBA program, is one of three worldwide recipients of the prestigious 2010 Beta Gamma Sigma Medallion for Entrepreneurship Award.

Beta Sigma Gamma - an International Honor Society - selected Dr. Jain based on his ability to overcome obstacles and realize entrepreneurial success, his overwhelming commitment to maintaining high moral and ethical standards, his philanthropic contributions to global causes, and his support of underserved populations.

Since 2003, Dr. Jain has opened five pediatric primary care practices in Cumberland County, North Carolina, that employ more than 50 people.

In 2006, Dr. Jain launched the India Foundation. This foundation built a school in Rajasthan, India, established a program to provide dance therapy to treat special needs children in North Carolina, and provides eyeglasses or cataract surgery to needy Indians.

In January 2010, Dr. Jain opened Indus Westside Hospital, a 200-bed for-profit tertiary care hospital in Bangalore, India. This state-of-the-art hospital employs 500 people, provides superior medical services to the uninsured and underinsured populations, promotes medical tourism, and hosts students pursuing a Bachelor of Science at the BSE College of Nursing.

Within the next two years Dr. Jain plans to add another five pediatric primary care practices in and around Cumberland County and plans to build more hospitals in rural parts of India within the next five years.

Executive members of the Beta Gamma Sigma will present Dr. Jain with the "Medallion" at an award ceremony on November 20th, 2010 during the Second Annual Youth Entrepreneurship Conference.