Family Day

This day is for parents, siblings and extended families of Georgia College students.
Schedule of Events:

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Check-In
Location: Ennis Hall
Stop by Ennis Hall to receive a complete schedule of events, a packet of information and tickets for the day’s events. You can also enjoy a continental breakfast from 9 to 10 a.m.

9 to 10 a.m.
Campus Resource Fair
Location: Ennis Hall
Need to know what is available at Georgia College for your student? See representatives from the following areas:

- Student Health Services
- Counseling Services
- University Housing
- Financial Aid
- Career Center
- International Education Center
- Public Safety
- The Women’s Resource Center
- Ina Dillard Russell Library
- Office of the Registrar
- Center for Student Success
- College of Health Sciences
- College of Arts and Sciences
- College of Business
- College of Education

9 to 10 a.m.
Bridge Scholars Program Brunch Reception
Location: Library Atrium
The Bridge Scholars Program (BSP) is a yearlong freshman Residential Learning Community that begins with an intensive summer session. If your student is a current or alumni member of the Bridge Scholars Program family, we welcome you to join us for our brunch tent reception.
10 a.m.
Family Day Program
Location: Magnolia Ballroom
Welcome – Dr. Steve Dorman, president

Study Abroad
Dr. Eric Spears, assistant vice president for International Education

Your student needs to demonstrate global awareness and intercultural communication skills in order to be successful in life beyond Georgia College. According to the American Association of Colleges and Universities, the best way to achieve those skills and easily demonstrate them to potential employers is through a significant experience abroad. Meet Dr. Eric Spears to learn about the multitude of opportunities available to your student through Georgia College and our overseas partner organizations. Find out about the costs involved and funding strategies to make it happen. Hear firsthand from students who have been abroad themselves.

Campus Safety
How can your student stay safe on the campus? A Public Safety official will discuss several safety programs and products that will help to keep your student safe while they attend Georgia College. Topics will include personal safety, emergency response, and the police presence on campus.

University Housing
Matthew Terry, assistant director of Marketing and Communications

Your student may tell you that it is much cheaper to live off campus, but do you know the facts? National studies suggest that students who live on campus graduate faster and in greater numbers than those who move off campus. Living in University Housing relieves students of stress and provides them with countless opportunities to become engaged with all the university has to offer. University Housing will help connect your student with what they need all the way to commencement.

11 a.m. to Noon
The "Sophomore Slump" - What is it?
Location: Atkinson Hall, Room 107

Have you heard of the term "sophomore slump?" Drop by this mini-session to meet some of our Center for Student Success staff and learn more regarding situations unique to second-year students. We will also update you on university initiatives for sophomores. This is a good opportunity for students and family members to share their stories and experiences – as well as provide input and feedback that can help generate even more ideas to benefit our students.
11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Mini Lecture Series
Location: Atkinson Hall Classrooms

Curious as to what the Georgia College classroom experience is like? Come take this opportunity to sit in on a lecture given by one of our faculty members and see why Georgia College continues to rank as one of The Princeton Review’s “Best in the Southeast.”

• 11:15 – 11:45 a.m.: Atkinson Hall, Room 106
  Connecting the World through a Second Language – Leslie Strempel

• 11:30 a.m. - Noon: Atkinson Hall, Room 105
  Milledgeville: An Educational Playground – Dr. Renee Fontenot

• Noon – 12:45 p.m.: Atkinson Hall, Room 108
  Divers, Dive Tags, Georgia College Students and 13 iguanas in socks: Georgia College and our partnerships in the Bahamas – Dr. Melanie DeVore

• Noon – 12:45 p.m.: Atkinson Hall, Room 109
  Infotainment, Video Games and Digital Storytelling: The changing face of communication in the digital landscape – Dr. Ariel Gratch

Lunch (on your own)
Locations: The MAX, Downtown, Festival, wherever you want!
The lunch tickets in your packet can be used on campus between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the University Dining Hall (admit one person into The Max for an all you-can-eat buffet), at vendors located within the Deep Roots Festival or at downtown restaurants (worth $6 toward the total price of a meal/item).

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Department of Art
Location: Ennis Hall
Student Art Displayed through Ennis and Classrooms open.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Georgia College Department of Art
Location: Deep Roots Festival, downtown Milledgeville
Look for the work of art majors for sale at the festival as well as demonstrations, giveaways and performances.
9 a.m. - Noon
**Service Project: Potato Drop**
**Location: Irwin Street Parking Lot**
During this annual service event which is in conjunction with National Make-A-Difference Day, our campus will feed over 140,000 people within the 3 surrounding counties. Participants will help bag potatoes into 10 lb. bags which will be then given to over 80 local non-profits, faith based organizations, schools, food pantries and food banks. We encourage all participants to wear comfortable clothes and shoes that can get dirty. This event will also happen rain or shine.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
**The Old Governor’s Mansion**
**Location: Clarke Street**
The Old Governor’s Mansion, an accredited museum of the American Association of Museums and a National Historic Landmark completed in 1839, was the home of Georgia’s governors until 1868. Serving as the political and social base of the capital, the Mansion played a pivotal role in the antebellum and Civil War periods. In November of 1864, the Mansion was Gen. William T. Sherman’s headquarters in Milledgeville during the “March to the Sea.” In 1889, the Mansion served as the founding building of what is now Georgia College and is today the campus’ most treasured structure. In 2005, an extensive $9.5 million dollar restoration of the site was completed, restoring the building to its c1851 appearance. In 2015, the Mansion was named an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution. Due to space limitations, participants whose last names begin with A-L are asked to tour between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Participants whose last names begin with M-Z are asked to tour between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
**The Sallie Ellis Davis House**
**Location: Clarke Street**
The Sallie Ellis Davis House was the former home of a local educator who touched the lives of hundreds of African-American children. It was built in 1890 and served as the Davis’ residence from 1912 until Sallie’s death in 1950. The house became one of ten sites on the Georgia Trust for Historical Preservation’s 2009 “Places in Peril.” Coinciding with this designation was Georgia College’s announcement to form a partnership with the Sallie Davis Foundation – comprised of a group of her former students – to renovate the house and open it as an African-American cultural center. The house hosts exhibits and functions throughout the year.

1 and 2 p.m.
**The Georgia College Planetarium**
**Location: Herty Hall**
The new Georgia College Planetarium is on the first floor of Herty Hall (corner of Montgomery and Wilkinson Streets), and is equipped to provide educational programs and entertaining shows about astronomy and the night sky. University students, faculty, school-age children, teachers and the public participate in programs that inspire the next generation of explorers. There are 20 seats available for each of two shows, at 1 p.m. and at 2 p.m.
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
The Natural History Museum
Location: Herty Hall
The Natural History Museum, located on the first floor of Herty Hall on the Georgia College campus, offers an exploration of the history of life through geologic time. Visitors can learn about the fossilization process and observe representative fossils of organisms that have existed on Earth during the last 550 million years. Research by members of the Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences is highlighted in the various displays. The collection includes fossils from Georgia as well as other U.S. and international locales.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
The Ina Dillard Russell Library
Location: Ina Dillard Russell Library
The Ina Dillard Russell Library includes a research center, learning center, writing center, computer labs and a wide variety of technology-enhanced study spaces available to both students and faculty. A visit to Special Collections provides access to a number of primary sources including the Flannery O’Connor collection. In addition to books, periodicals and DVDs, students can checkout laptops, tablets, video cameras, digital still cameras, projectors and an assortment of other electronic devices. The Studios at Russell Library, located on the main floor across from the Learning and Research centers, offer students access to a sound booth for audio recording, professional video/audio and graphic editing equipment and specialty printing from snapshots to a large format poster printer and 3D printer. Training and workshops are available to all Georgia College students. The library atrium and 1st floor study spaces are available 24 hours a day, 5 days a week. The library’s digital collections are available to students, faculty and staff on and off campus 24/7.

10 a.m. until...
Deep Roots Festival
Location: Downtown Milledgeville
A downtown streetscape of arts and crafts, music, a barbeque cook off, a car show and much more! Wristbands used to gain entrance into the Festival are included in your packet.

Athletic Events
For many Georgia College students, athletics are a big part of college life and a great way to relieve some academic stress. Whether competing in NCAA Division II athletics or in the stands screaming for the team, Bobcats play hard, show their spirit and have fun. Student athletes at Georgia College are held to a high academic standard, and the athletic program here regularly boasts one of the highest GPAs in the Peach Belt Conference.

2 p.m.
Women’s Volleyball vs. Lander University
Location: Centennial Center

5 p.m.
Women’s Soccer vs. Armstrong State University
Location: West Campus Athletic Facilities
Family Day

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Georgia College, the state’s designated public liberal arts university, combines the educational experience expected at esteemed private liberal arts colleges with the affordability of public higher education.