

Provost Notes

Georgia College & State University

January 2017

Extended University Update

Extended University is comprised of eight areas: (1) Continuing Education, (2) the Old Governor's Mansion, (3) Public Services and Facility Reservations, (4) the YES Program, (5) High Achievers, (6) Academic Outreach, (7) Production Services, and (8) Communities in Schools - primarily focused on serving the campus and community. This past year, Extended University served 45,459 individuals throughout our community, state, and nation and generated \$1,391,747 in sales and services revenue. In addition, Extended University generated \$1,701,433 in grant funding.

Highlights include:

- Continuing Education held 627 non-credit courses, serving 10,581 students.
- Academic Outreach served 7,522 children and adults in eight counties, provided 3,514 hours of community service, and had 81 Georgia College students lead or instruct programs during the year.
- The Old Governor's Mansion received more than 10,000 tourists.
- The YES Program provided safe afterschool programs for 963 school aged children in grades three through twelve at all six Baldwin County public schools.
- High Achievers enrolled 60 middle and high school aged students in their year-long program. In addition, High Achievers partnered with the YES Program to offer a free summer camp – enrolling more than 290 students.
- Communities in Schools served 3,374 Baldwin County school children and utilized 440 volunteers to provide 8,115 hours of service to the local schools.
- Public Services and Facility Reservations processed 10,302 facility reservations.

B.O.R. Submissions

Following GC's internal review and approval policies and procedures, and in accordance with the USG guidelines, the Office of Academic Affairs submitted the following to the BOR:

- M.Ed. in Reading, Language, and Literacy (Deactivation)
- M.Ed. with major in Secondary Education (Deactivation)

The next Graduate Council meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 27th at 3:30pm.

Congratulations...

Hasitha Mahabaduge, PhD, assistant professor of physics, for being selected as a 2017-2018 USG SoTL fellow.

Holley Roberts, EdD, Interim Chair of Teacher Education, for being accepted to the HERS Institute Summer 2017 class.

Veronica Womack, PhD, Director of Institutional Equity and Diversity, awarded \$150,000 from the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) for the "The Farm Bill as an Asset Building Tool within the Black Belt Region" project.

Jim Lidstone, PhD, Professor, Health and Human Performance, for securing \$80,000 in external funding from the Healthcare Georgia Foundation to support existing childhood obesity prevention efforts.

Deborah MacMillan, PhD, Associate Professor of Nursing, for securing \$178,588 from the Georgia Department of Public Health to develop and offer combined asynchronous online courses on Health Assessment and Women's Health.

Jim Payne, PhD, Dean of the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business, for the "Best Paper in Economics Award" by the Academy of Economics and Finance.

College of Education for being named #1 in Best Value for online secondary education by Sr. Education Group.

Department of Chemistry for being recognized as Outstanding Chapter of the American Chemical Society National Awards.

Non-Student Minors on Campus

Georgia College offers a variety of athletic camps, science camps, clinics, after-school programs, enrichment classes, continuing education courses, federal and state grants, group tutoring, test preparation courses, and activities which bring non-student minors onto campus. In August 2016, the Board of Regents passed a USG policy to help ensure these minors are protected while participating in campus activities. Georgia College has worked to craft and create written procedures that every department working with non-student minors will be expected to follow.

By May 1, every department on campus working with non-student minors will be required to follow the Georgia College procedures found at: <https://intranet.gcsu.edu/protection-minors>. The procedures include registering your program, running background checks through Human Resources on all employees and volunteers, providing proper training for all staff, using approved forms, and ensuring that proper planning has been completed. Step-by-step guidance, helpful links, approved GC forms, and other resources can be found at the above link. Legal Affairs will ensure compliance for the campus programs. Questions can be addressed to Artis Williamson at artis.williamson@gcsu.edu or ext. 5277.

Eisenhower Series College Program

Georgia College is honored to have been chosen as a host site for the prestigious U.S. Army War College Eisenhower Series College Program. This program was established in 1969 as an academic outreach program to encourage dialogue on national security matters and other policy issues between students at the Army's senior educational institution and public colleges and universities throughout the United States.

As part of the Eisenhower Program, three U.S. Army War College graduate students—who are all senior level military officers—will be available to speak to Georgia College classes on Tuesday, March 1.

John H. Lounsbury College of Education Social Justice Dialogue Series

- ✓ Veronica Womack “**Economics of Diversity**” January 20, 2017
- ✓ J. Luke Wood “**Black Minds Matter: Toward Educational Practices That Support Black Boys & Men**” March 3, 2017
- ✓ Sonia Nieto “**Educating a Diverse Society Through the Lens of Social Justice**” April 6, 2017

For more information: <http://www.gcsu.edu/education>

2017 Governor’s Teaching Fellows Program

The 2017 Governor’s Teaching Fellows (GTF) Program includes a Summer Symposium, which involves a two-week symposium in May, and a full-year program, which involves six, three-day symposia throughout the academic year. The internal deadline for submission of materials to the Provost’s Office - Lori Westbrook for the Summer Program is **January 30**. The Provost will work with the President’s Office to secure the nomination letter.

The deadline for internal submissions of materials to the Provost’s Office - Lori Westbrook for the full-year program is **April 17**. The Provost will work with the President’s Office to secure the nomination letter. Detailed information on eligibility, the nomination process, and the criteria for participation can be found on the GTF website (<http://ihe.uga.edu/programs/governors-teaching-fellows>).

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Dr. Cynthia Alby, an inaugural Georgia Teaching Fellow.

Russell Library Faculty Fellows Project

The Russell Library Faculty Fellows Project serves as a pilot study created to support collaborative projects between faculty and librarians/archivists that intentionally integrate library resources into academic courses. This will provide students with numerous opportunities to engage with scholarship and research-based, hands on learning. The Fellow will collaborate with a librarian/archivist to scaffold research assignments in order for students to understand scholarship as a conversation and utilize the librarian/archivist to purchase related materials and/or provide primary source materials for the course. This could also include having a librarian/archivist meet with students during various sessions throughout the semester or incorporate into their D2L courses. For more information about this opportunity, visit

Important Dates - Spring 2017 Semester

State of the University Address: February 24, 2017 at 2:00pm in Russell Auditorium

Senate Meetings: January 20 at 3:30pm, February 17 at 2:00pm, March 17 at 3:30pm and April 21 at 2:00pm (A&S 272).

Graduate Council Meetings (GCM): January 27 at 3:30pm, February 24 at 3:30pm, March 27 at 3:30pm, April 24 (tentative).

All GCM meetings are held in Parks 301: President’s Conference Room.