Provost Notes

Georgia College & State University

March 2016

NEW PROGRAM: The University System of Georgia has approved Georgia College's request to change the name of the Bachelor of Science with a major in Community Health to a Bachelor of Science with a major in Public Health. This change is effective Fall 2016 and will provide students with an opportunity to pursue a degree in a rapidly growing field. By employing public health principles, the primary goal of the program is to promote an understanding of health and disease while developing students' skills in the analysis of public health issues, health promotion planning and implementation. Graduates will also be well prepared to pursue graduate studies in various health areas.

COLLEGE SCHEDULER: In early March, a new online scheduling tool for students, faculty, and advisors was released. **College Scheduler** will be available through Unify/PAWS. Employing a user-provided list of needed courses, College Scheduler will search Georgia College's live course schedule and generate every possible semester schedule that can be created utilizing those courses. Students will be able to program the scheduler to ignore times when they cannot take classes (athletic practice, work, etc.), and can narrow their results by requesting specific sections (such as a majors-only section or a specific section of a topics course). The Scheduler will not only assist students in the early planning stages of schedule creation, but it will also help students identify schedules that include all of their needed courses after classes begin to close. It will also aid students to stay on track for graduation by helping them find ways to schedule the classes they need each semester. This implementation is the result of a collaboration between the Registrar's Office, the Center for Student Success, and Information Technology Services.

20 Years Ago ...

The Colonnade, Tuesday, February 13, 1996.

"Color change for Colonials in the works" by Kathy Hooks

Among other changes Georgia College will soon encounter, the traditional brown and gold may gradually be replaced with blue and forest green. The school colors, which have been the familiar brown and gold since the athletic department was established in the mid-60's, are open for debate primarily due to request of the students and faculty of the school...

Leadership Programs

GC Department Chair Retreat
April 8, 2016
Eagle Rock Conference Ctr.
9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Speaker: Mr. Matt Pellish,
Education Advisory Board
<u>Title</u>: Reclaiming Our Value
<u>Overview</u>: The big issues in
higher education and how they
pertain to schools of our size
and scope.

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:

- Post MSN Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Certificate
- Post MSN Nurse Educator Certificate
- Master of Science in Criminal Justice to be delivered online in Fall 2016
- Termination of Bachelor of Business Administration

Recipients of 2016 Graduate Research Grants

- Tyler Clifford, Kinesiology/Physical Education
- 2. Megan Corley, Biology
- 3. Jyota Lama, Biology
- 4. Laura Martin, Creative Writing
- 5. S. Tanner Martin, Kinesiology/Physical Education

- 6. Olivia Newman, Secondary Education
- 7. James Owens, Creative Writing
- 8. Shannon Skelton, Creative Writing
- Makayla Sparks,
 Kinesiology/Physical
 Education
- 10. Mutande Tembo, Biology

Thanks to the Graduate Research Grants Committee for their review & selection:

Catherin Whelan, COB Marci Peck, COE Stephen Auerbach, COAS Lisa Griffin, COHS Costas Spirou, AA

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Upcoming Events/Dates:

Celebration of Excellence

April 22, 2016 9:00 a.m. Russell Auditorium

Celebrating 20 Years as a Public Liberal Arts Univ.

April 12, 2016 Time & Location TBA

Celebration of Scholarship

April 19, 2016 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Library Atrium

2016 Governor's Teaching Fellows Program

Full Year Program Due: April 18, 2016 Contact Dr. Steve Jones for details

Spring Commencement – Centennial Center

Graduate Ceremony May 6, 2016: 7:00 p.m./6:45 p.m. processional Undergraduate Ceremony May 7, 2106:

- The College of Arts & Sciences ceremony will begin at 9 a.m. with the processional beginning promptly at 8:45 a.m.
- The Colleges of Business, Education and Health Sciences ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. with the processional beginning promptly at 1:45 p.m.