COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Georgia College prepares the next generation of Georgia’s leaders; our Community Partners help make that a reality. Georgia College’s community partners represent a broad range of businesses and firms, nonprofit organizations, public agencies, government offices, and schools—each committed to cultivating the next generation of leadership and public affairs in our state and region. **Georgia College seeks Community Partners that share our commitment to promote change and ongoing innovation, as well as cooperation and collaboration among partners.**

The Role of Community Partners

Through regular interaction with Georgia College faculty, staff, and students, our Community Partners help GC to maximize strategic partnerships and to foster collaborative relationships within Georgia. Community Partners’ most important role is to offer project-based work to Georgia College’s leadership and public affairs students. Such assignments can include direct work with clients, special projects, research and data gathering, or other activities that simultaneously provide students with direct learning experiences and meet a need of the partner organization.

Benefits to Community Partners

- **Leadership for the Public Good.** Community Partners enable Georgia College to sustain a collaborative environment for teaching, research, and public service, and to translate knowledge and intellectual capital for public and private-sector benefit.

- **Community Investment.** Maintaining strong partnerships will establish your organization’s reputation for investing in the community. A GC Community Partnership represents a low-cost/no-cost proposition for your organization.

- **Mutual Reward.** Our Community Partners constantly report: “I learned as much from the students as they learned from me.” Partnerships are meant to be mutually beneficial. Consider how your organization might benefit from the insights and skills of eager and committed young professionals.

- **Recognition.** Community Partners are recognized in official Georgia College publications, profiled on the Georgia College website, and honored at our annual banquet.

- **Preferred Rates for Consulting.** Community Partners receive preferred rates for consulting and leadership inventories and assessments administered by Georgia College, including the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator®, the Birkman Signature, and the Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode Instrument®.

Connect with Georgia College

To get connected with Georgia College, or to explore possibilities of a community partnership, please contact the Office of Leadership Programs at 478-445-1227 or at leadership.programs@gcsu.edu.

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