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TWENTY SECOND ANNUAL
FALL
COMMENCEMENT

December 13, 2013
Hanner Fieldhouse
Statesboro, Georgia



GEORGIA SOUTHERN
UNIVERSITY

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Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University, is a member institution of the University System of Georgia. It is one of the most comprehensive centers of higher education in Georgia. A residential campus of more than 20,500 students, Georgia Southern is one of the top universities of choice in Georgia for new freshmen and for HOPE Scholars. Students come from 49 U.S. states and more than 90 nations, bringing a broad spectrum of backgrounds, interests and talents to the University community.



Georgia Southern's hallmark is a superior educational experience with all of the benefits of a major university, but the feel of a much smaller college. It is this combination that serves as the foundation for the University's outstanding reputation for academic excellence and focus on its students. At Georgia Southern, our students value a well-rounded college experience, a faculty where professors know their name and their first priority is teaching. In addition, students appreciate a campus environment that encourages learning and growing. With expanding graduate programs and opportunities for discovery, Georgia Southern also embraces its research mission.



The University offers 125 degree programs at the baccalaureate, master's and doctoral levels through eight colleges: College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, College of Education, College of Business Administration, College of Health and Human Sciences, Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health, Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology, College of Science and Mathematics and the Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies. Georgia Southern is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and has earned special accreditation from professional and academic associations that set standards in their fields.



The University is listed in U.S. News & World Report's Best Colleges and was named one of the top 10 most popular universities in the country in 2012. The University has also been recognized as one of the most military friendly schools by multiple publications including G.I. Jobs and Military Advanced Education. In addition, its outstanding College of Business Administration and Nursing programs continue to be recognized among the best in the country.



Founded in 1906 as a district agricultural school, Georgia Southern's century of history has built a tradition of spirit, pride and achievement. The institution advanced to become a teachers' college, a senior college and in 1990 earned its status as the first university in the southern half of Georgia. Located in Statesboro, a safe, classic Main Street community of approximately 30,000 residents northwest of Savannah, the University provides enriching cultural and educational opportunities to people of all ages, and reaches out to benefit the region and state through research and public service.



Georgia Southern's more than 900-acre campus is one of the most beautiful in the state, featuring gently rolling lawns, scenic lakes and soaring pines. The historic heart of campus is a classic college portrait – buildings of red brick and white columns framed by live oaks and an archway of pecan trees. Beyond the circle of the original buildings, classic and contemporary lines blend in an expanding horizon of new facilities, connected by a paver-tiled walking boulevard called the Pedestrium. During the past decade, the University has witnessed extraordinary development with the construction of new academic, housing and athletics facilities. Continued enhancement and growth of the campus include the construction of a new Biological Sciences Building, dining and recreational facilities.

Georgia Southern serves the Coastal Southeast region, the state and the Southeast United States through research and public services that promote educational, economic, cultural and social progress through creative solutions to regional challenges. Research varies from probing the genetic chemistry of disease-spreading parasites for keys to their biological control, to advancing the economic development of the region. Centers for business research and development, rural health, international studies, public affairs, teacher education, rehabilitation technology, water policy and biostatistics involve teams of experts working on regional and community concerns. The University extends educational opportunities through both undergraduate and graduate online degree programs and classes accessible from anywhere in the world with an Internet connection.

Georgia Southern has gained recognition for its nationally competitive athletics program. The University's 15 Division I teams compete in the Southern Conference and the University recently joined the Sunbelt Conference. Across-the-board commitment to excellence has resulted in an unprecedented six NCAA Football Championship Series (FCS) football national championships and NCAA participation in men's and women's basketball, baseball, golf, softball, women's tennis, women's track and field and volleyball.

The University also has an active alumni program serving more than 75,000 alumni around the world. Some of the University's prominent alumni include country music star Luke Bryan; Mike Davis, Executive Director of the U.S. Golf Association (USGA); Hala Moddlemog, former President of Arby's Restaurant Group and President elect of the Metro Atlanta Chamber; and Dan Cathy, President and Chief Operating Officer of Chick-fil-A.

For more information, visit the University's home page GeorgiaSouthern.edu.

ACADEMIC DISTINCTION

Graduation with Honors

Undergraduate students who accomplish a high level of academic achievement, as reflected by their grade point average, receive distinction as follows:

Grade Point Average:

3.5-3.69 *Cum Laude*

3.7-3.89 *Magna Cum Laude*

3.9-4.0 *Summa Cum Laude*

Students graduating with honors are distinguished at commencement exercises by a blue and white honor cord attached to the left shoulder of their gowns. Their distinction is recognized by notation on their diplomas and in their academic transcripts.

NOTE: Since programs are prepared in advance of the receipt of final grades, the listing of graduates and honor recipients may, in some instances, be inaccurate. Also, in addition to GPA, there are other requirements to qualify for graduation with honors. The fact of graduation and the receipt of honors are validated by the students' permanent records which are kept by the Office of the Registrar.

University Honors Program Scholars

The University Honors Program (UHP) offers a special Honors curriculum to a select group of academically talented students. In addition to high academic standards, the Program requires a substantial commitment to community service and experiential learning. The diplomas of graduating University Honors Program Scholars are distinguished by the UHP designation.

University Honors Program 1906 Scholars

The 1906 Scholarship is the most prestigious award for incoming freshmen in the University Honors Program. In addition to their participation in the University Honors Program, these students enroll in a sequence of additional seminars dedicated to service, leadership and research.

THE SYMBOLS OF ACADEMIC TRADITION

The Mace

Leading the Processional of faculty and administration is the Macebearer, the faculty member holding the rank of professor with the highest seniority of service at Georgia Southern University.

The Mace is a two-and-one-half foot shaft and sphere of cast Everdur Bronze and carved American walnut. This representation of the ceremonial symbol of office and authority was designed and crafted in 1988 by Thomas P. Steadman, Associate Professor of Art. Its angular forms and low-gloss finishes are reminiscent of the medieval battle mace from which the more scepter-like academic mace evolved.



The design of the Mace blends forms suggested by native flora of South Georgia. The magnolia leaves and stems encircling the head of the mace in a double helix symbolize Georgia Southern's link with its region. A small ballast rock, found on the Georgia coast and traced to probable British origin, is embedded in the finial base of the shaft representing the foundation of the institution.

Regalia

The history of academic attire is also traced to the Middle Ages when it may have been necessary for scholars to wear gowns and cowls for warmth in the unheated halls of academe of the period. The robes and hoods have evolved as ceremonial garments signifying level of degree, academic field, and the awarding institution.

Today's gowns for baccalaureate, masters, education specialist, and doctoral degrees are made of a rayon blend, always black. Bachelors gowns have pointed sleeves and are worn closed. The gowns for the masters and specialist degree, also worn closed, have an oblong sleeve with a base that hangs open at the wrist. The doctoral gowns have bell-shaped sleeves which may be worn open or closed. It is the tradition of Georgia Southern to reserve hoods for masters and education specialist degree candidates. These hoods are black, three and one-half feet long, lined with the official colors of the institution, and trimmed in velvet in the color of the degree field.

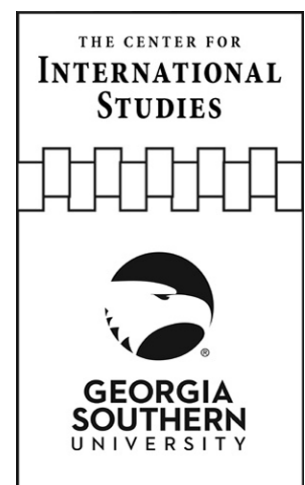
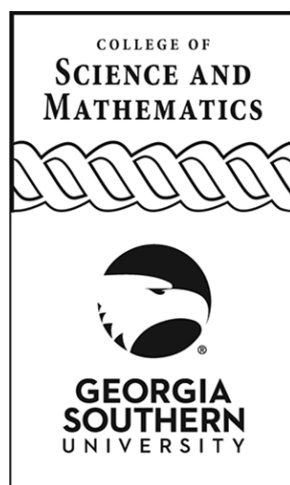
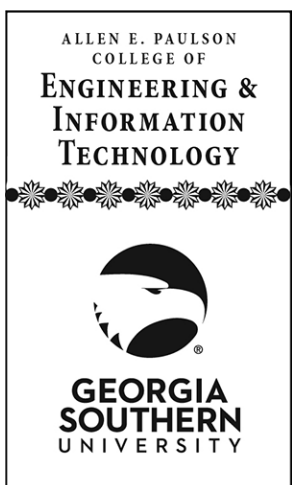
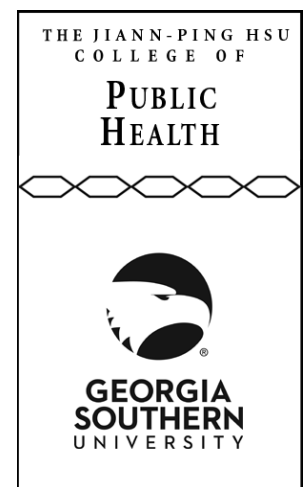
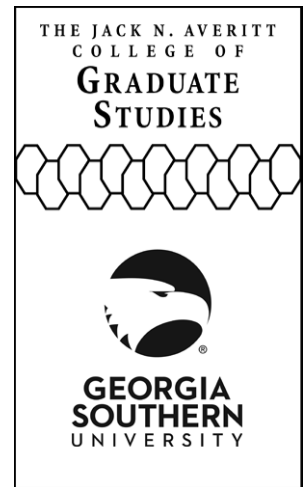
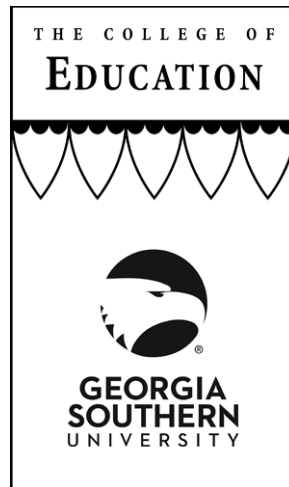
Caps in the form of mortarboards are made of cotton poplin or a similar material. The tassel is the color which reflects the degree.

The ornamental braided cord draped over the left shoulder of some of the baccalaureate graduates is called a fourragère. The design follows French military tradition and signifies special recognition of baccalaureate students graduating with honors.

Banners

Banners representing each of the eight Colleges, the Center for International Studies, and the University Library are displayed at Commencement. Representation of the Banners signifies the colors of disciplines in the Colleges, and celebrates the University's academic programs.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY BANNERS



ACADEMIC COLORS

Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies

Light Blue	Doctor of Education
Apricot	Doctor of Nursing Practice
Royal Blue	Doctor of Philosophy
Citron	Doctor of Psychology
Light Blue	Education Specialist
Drab	Master of Accounting
	Master of Arts
White	English
White	History
White	Social Science
White	Sociology
White	Spanish
Light Blue	Master of Arts in Teaching
Drab	Master of Business Administration
Light Blue	Master of Education
Brown	Master of Fine Arts
Pink	Master of Music
Peacock Blue	Master of Public Administration
	Master of Science
Science Gold	Biology
Science Gold	Computer Science
Sage Green	Kinesiology
Science Gold	Mathematics
Citron	Psychology
Sage Green	Recreation Administration
Sage Green	Sport Management
Orange	Master of Science in Applied Engineering
Apricot	Master of Science in Nursing
Orange	Master of Technology

Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health

Salmon Pink	Doctor of Public Health
Kelly Green	Master of Healthcare Administration
Salmon Pink	Master of Public Health
Sage Green	Bachelor of Science in Health Science

Center for International Studies

	Bachelor of Arts
Aquamarine	International Studies
	Bachelor of Science
Aquamarine	International Trade

College of Business Administration

	Bachelor of Arts
Copper	Economics
Drab	Bachelor of Business Administration
	Bachelor of Science
Maroon	Hotel and Restaurant Management

College of Education

Light Blue	Bachelor of Science in Education
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Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology

	Bachelor of Science
Science Gold	Computer Science
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering Technology
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Construction
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering Technology

Science Gold	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology

College of Health and Human Sciences

	Bachelor of Science
Maroon	Child and Family Development
Maroon	Fashion Merchandising and Apparel Design
Maroon	Interior Design
Maroon	Nutrition and Food Science
Sage Green	Recreation
Sage Green	Sport Management
Sage Green	Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training
Sage Green	Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology
Apricot	Bachelor of Science in Nursing

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

	Bachelor of Arts
Science Gold	Anthropology
Brown	Art
Crimson	Communication Arts
White	English
White	History
White	Modern Languages
Pink	Music
Dark Blue	Philosophy
Dark Blue	Political Science
Citron	Psychology
White	Sociology
Brown	Theatre
White	Writing and Linguistics
Brown	Bachelor of Fine Arts
Gold & White	Bachelor of General Studies
Pink	Bachelor of Music
	Bachelor of Science
Silver	Communication Studies
Crimson	Journalism
Crimson	Multimedia Communication
Dark Blue	Political Science
Citron	Psychology
Crimson	Public Relations
White	Sociology
Orange	Bachelor of Science in Graphic Communications Management
Science Gold	Bachelor of Science in Justice Studies

College of Science and Mathematics

	Bachelor of Arts
Science Gold	Biology
Science Gold	Chemistry
Science Gold	Geography
Science Gold	Geology
Science Gold	Physics
	Bachelor of Science
Science Gold	Geography
Science Gold	Geology
Science Gold	Mathematics
Science Gold	Bachelor of Science in Biology
Science Gold	Bachelor of Science in Chemistry
Science Gold	Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
Science Gold	Bachelor of Science in Physics

EMERITUS FACULTY

President Keel has recommended to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia that the following faculty members be granted emeritus status upon retirement:

Dr. Phyllis Surrency Dallas, Associate Professor of Writing and Linguistics, who retired from Georgia Southern University on June 30, 2103. Dr. Dallas received her Ph.D. in English from Tulane University in New Orleans in 1991. She earned both her M.A. in English and her B.S.Ed. in English Education (magna cum laude) from Valdosta State College (now Valdosta State University) in 1975 and 1973, respectively. She began her teaching career at Valdosta High School and then continued as an instructor at Georgia Military College in Valdosta, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, Thomas Community College in Thomasville, Tulane University (as a teaching assistant), and the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. She arrived at Georgia Southern as a Temporary Instructor in 1988. From that beginning, she spent 25 years in ever-ascending faculty positions, with a promotion to Instructor in 1990, to Assistant Professor in 1992, and to Associate Professor in 2002 (after earning tenure in 1997). She culminated her career holding a position as Interim Chair, where she led her department of some 50 faculty members during her last two years before retirement. She taught numerous courses in the area of writing and held professional memberships in the National Council of Teachers of English, College Communication and Composition, and Phi Kappa Phi. Her scholarly activities included a wide variety of conference presentations and publications, on topics ranging from pedagogical theory, composition studies, to distance learning, in venues across the nation. During her 25 years of service to Georgia Southern, Dr. Dallas served on more than five dozen departmental, college, and university committees, served as honors thesis director, and actively mentored new faculty. By a unanimous vote of her colleagues and in recognition of her meritorious contributions and service to the department, college, University, and profession, Dr. Phyllis Surrency Dallas is awarded the title of Associate Professor Emerita of Writing and Linguistics.

Professor Jill Lockwood, Professor of Accounting, who is retiring December 31, 2013. Professor Lockwood earned her B.A. degree in Economics from the University of Florida (1969). She received her J.D. (1974) and L.L.M. Taxation (1979) from Emory University School of Law. At the time of her retirement, Professor Lockwood will have contributed 29 years of service to the University. Prior to joining the Georgia Southern faculty in 1984, Professor Lockwood served at Georgia State University where she taught individual income tax, intermediate III, and corporate income tax. During her tenure at Georgia Southern, she taught tax, legal studies, and introductory accounting for non-business majors. Her research interests included individual income tax, partnership tax, estate and gift tax, and income taxation of estates and trusts. She holds a CPA certificate from the state of Georgia and is a member of the Georgia Society of CPAs and Past President of the Education Foundation of the Georgia Society of CPAs. She is the author of over 50 articles and in 2012 the Georgia Society of CPAs voted Professor Lockwood the Outstanding Accounting Educator for the state of Georgia. For her numerous contributions

to the department, college, University, and profession, Professor Jill Lockwood has earned the title of Professor Emerita.

Dr. Donald Rakestraw, Professor of History, who retired June 30, 2013. Dr. Rakestraw received both his Bachelor of Arts (1975) and Master of Arts (1980) degrees from Jacksonville State University. He earned his Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1991 from the University of Alabama. Joining the faculty at Georgia Southern in 1988, he completed 25 years of distinguished service at the time of his retirement. During his tenure, he served on countless committees for the department, college, University, and state. He also worked with SOAR, American Studies, teacher education, and study abroad, directing a graduate seminar at Oxford University for over ten years. Highlights of his work with the community include long-time direction of the Social Science Fair and contributions to the Portal Centennial Celebration. He has published dozens of articles, essays, reviews, and book chapters as well as two books, one of which, *Prologue to Manifest Destiny*, won the Choice "Academic Book of the Year" award. For all of his meritorious contributions to the department, college, University, profession, and community, Dr. Donald Rakestraw has earned the title of Professor Emeritus of History.

Dr. Susan B. Trimble, Professor of Middle Grades Education, who retired December 31, 2012. Dr. Trimble earned her Doctorate of Education degree in Educational Leadership from Florida State University (1995), her Education Specialist degree from Florida State University (1993), her Master of Science degree from Nova Southeastern University (1990), and her Bachelor of Arts degree from Lawrence University (1967). She also holds Administration and Supervision (P-12) Level 6 Certification with the Georgia Department of Education (2006) and a Georgia Teaching Certification in Middle Grades (2006). At the time of her retirement, Dr. Trimble had provided over 16 years of distinguished service to Georgia Southern University. Her initial appointment at Georgia Southern was as an assistant professor in the Department of Middle Grades and Secondary Education. She served in this position from 1996 until 2002, at which time she was promoted to associate professor. Dr. Trimble was promoted to full professor in 2008. During her tenure at Georgia Southern, Dr. Trimble provided leadership in the development and teaching of online graduate courses and served as chair of numerous doctoral dissertations and research projects. She also continued to be an active participant in partner schools in the region. A prolific scholar, she published over 50 peer-reviewed professional journal articles and presented at over 45 national and international conferences. Her contributions earned her recognition from her peers in middle level education, receiving the College of Education's Jack Miller Educator of the Year Award in 2002. For her numerous and distinguished contributions to the department, college, University, profession, and community, Dr. Susan B. Trimble has earned the title of Professor Emerita of Middle Grades Education.

HONORARY DEGREES AWARDED BY GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents approves the awarding of a highly-selective honorary degree, which is conferred by University System of Georgia institutions to recognize individuals of notable achievement in an academic field, the arts and letters, their

profession, or public service. Since 1996, Georgia Southern University has been privileged to confer Honorary Doctoral Degrees to the exceptional individuals listed below.

BETTY FOY SANDERS	<i>Doctor of Fine Arts</i>	August 11, 1996
THE HONORABLE CARL SANDERS	<i>Doctor of Laws</i>	August 11, 1996
ALLEN E. PAULSON	<i>Doctor of Science</i>	June 14, 1997
THE HONORABLE F. EVERETT WILLIAMS	<i>Doctor of Humane Letters</i>	December 8, 1997
JACKIE ANDERSON STRANGE	<i>Doctor of Letters</i>	June 14, 1998
THE HONORABLE ARTHUR GIGNILLIAT	<i>Doctor of Humane Letters</i>	December 19, 1998
WILLIAM FREEMAN	<i>Doctor of Letters</i>	May 8, 1999
EMMA KELLY	<i>Doctor of Fine Arts</i>	May 9, 1999
EUGENE M. BISHOP	<i>Doctor of Letters</i>	May 13, 2000
HALA MODDLEMOG	<i>Doctor of Letters</i>	May 5, 2007
LUIS A. AGUILAR	<i>Doctor of Public Service</i>	May 11, 2013

College of Science and Mathematics

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

9:00 A.M. Ceremony

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

FACULTY MARSHALS

Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies

College of Science and Mathematics

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

JOHN R. DIEBOLT, Ph.D., *Associate Dean and Professor, Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies*
LANCE D. MCBRAYER, Ph.D., *Associate Professor, Biology*

ENKELEIDA K. LAKURIQI, Ph.D., *Lecturer, Mathematical Sciences*
JAMES M. LOBUE, Ph.D., *Associate Professor, Chemistry*

ADRIENNE L. COHEN, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor, Sociology and Anthropology*
LETICIA L. MCGRATH, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor, Foreign Languages*

READERS

College of Science and Mathematics

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

TAVIS K. ANDERSON, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor, Biology*
MARK A. EDWARDS, Ph.D., *Fuller E. Callaway Professor, Physics*

BRADLEY C. EDWARDS, Ph.D., *Lecturer, Literature and Philosophy*
TIFFANIE P. TOWNSEND, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor, Art*

THE PLATFORM PARTY

BROOKS A. KEEL, Ph.D., *President*
MEG HEAP, J.D., *District Attorney, Eastern Judicial Circuit Chatham County, Savannah, Georgia*
JEAN E. BARTELS, Ph.D., *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*
ROBERT L. WHITAKER, M.B.A., *Vice President for Business and Finance*
SALINDA A. ARTHUR, M.S., *Vice President for University Advancement and President, Georgia Southern University Foundation*
TERESA E. THOMPSON, Ph.D., *Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management*
STEVEN C. BURRELL, Ed.S., *Vice President for Information Technology/Chief Information Officer*
CHARLES E. PATTERSON, Ph.D., *Vice President for Research and Economic Development and Dean, Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies*
RUSSELL T. KEEN, B.B.A., *Vice President for Government Relations and Community Engagement*
CURTIS EUGENE RICKER, D.A., *Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences*
MARTHA L. ABELL, Ph.D., *Dean, College of Science and Mathematics*
VELMA S. BURDEN, Ed.D., *Registrar*
GARRETT L. GREEN, *President, Student Government Association and Graduate Student, Higher Education*

PROGRAM

*PROCESSIONAL	<i>Pomp and Circumstance</i> (Military March No. 1, Op. 39) by Edward Elgar Performed by: HEIDI A. ORDAZ, Graduate Student, Master of Music, Performance
MACEBEARER	PAMELA G. BOURLAND-DAVIS, Ph.D., Professor and Chair, Communication Arts
INTRODUCTION OF THE PRESIDENT	PROVOST BARTELS
WELCOME	PRESIDENT KEEL
MEDITATION	DEAN ABELL
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	DEAN RICKER
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	MRS. MEG HEAP
RECOGNITION OF EMERITUS FACULTY	PROVOST BARTELS
CONFERRING OF GRADUATE DEGREES	PRESIDENT KEEL DEAN PATTERSON
RECOGNITION OF HONOR GRADUATES	PROVOST BARTELS
CONFERRING OF UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES	PRESIDENT KEEL PROVOST BARTELS DEAN ABELL DEAN RICKER
*ALMA MATER	ASHLEY NICOLE RIVERA, Graduating Senior, Bachelor of Music, Performance
*RECESSIONAL	<i>Wedding Day at Troldhaugen</i> by Grieg Performed by: HEIDI A. ORDAZ, Graduate Student, Master of Music, Performance

*AUDIENCE PLEASE STAND

We would like to thank the ROTC Cadets and other Georgia Southern University volunteers for their assistance with today's ceremony.

JACK N. AVERITT COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Doctor of Psychology

Brian D. Carlson

B.A., Auburn University, 2004

M.S., Georgia Southern University, 2011

Dissertation: *Sports Message Boarding: Associations with
Sports Team Identification and Social Well-Being*

Major Professor: Jeffrey Klibert, Ph.D.

Master of Fine Arts

Art

Virginia Russell

B.A., Agnes Scott College, 1968

M.Ed., Georgia Southern College, 1972

Ed.D., University of Georgia, 1979

Thesis: *Earthbound*

Major Professor: Mark Moulton, M.F.A.

Master of Fine Arts

Graphic Design

Julian Strayhorn II

B.A., Georgia State University, 2009

Dissertation: *Supa Black: Reexamining the Black Superhero*

Major Professor: Edward Rushton, M.F.A.

JACK N. AVERITT COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Master of Arts

Elizabeth A. Cullen
Robert Jerome Greene II
Rachel M. Jackson
Wesley Michael-Thurmon Kent
Matthew Allen Luke
Peter Joseph McCollum
Marla Katherine Middleton
Cameron Anne Rocker
Lacey Arrie Shorter
Ryan Oliver Sipe
Malorie Amber Sponseller
Natalie M. Torres Rivera
James Walker

Master of Music

Tony Bernard Jackson, Sr.
Kellye Jean Watts
Alan Franklin Wendel
Hiu Ching Angela Wong

Master of Public Administration

Jefferey Deandrew Jackson
Tara L. Martin
Jeffrey A. Thorpe II
Earle Wingrove Turner, Jr.
Kayla Marie Whaley
Justin Bair Wingard

Master of Science

Meznah Raja Al Buqami
Brittany Dané Arrington
Andrii Berdnikov
Wade Carlton Carruth III
Leigh Ann Colley
Franklin Martelli Collins
Kelly Elizabeth Dabney
Matthew Robert Erickson
Kelly F. Heino
John David Jarzen
Erica L. Johnson
Matthew David Kaunert
Yuxiang Li
Johnathan Craig Martin
Vanessa Marie Miller
Erica Gabrielle Moore
Sarah Osborn
Tasia Monique Pinkston
Marshall West

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Bachelor of Arts

Justin Benjamin Griner
Roger Franklin Johnson II
Stephen Matthew MacDonald
Scott Nyland Markley
Summa Cum Laude

Eric Tyler Mosley
Jihan Joy Padgett
Tiffany Danielle Rozier
Michael Andrew Stegall
Cameron Alexander Thompson
Mark Kainbridge Weaver
Summa Cum Laude
Hayes Tolbert Wilkinson

Bachelor of Science

Zachary M. Anderson
Zachary Thomas Ansley
Christine Michelle Brussell
Jacob Colby Hill
Megan Lee Hodnett
Angelice Josephine Ingalls
Brian Wesley Jones
Kurt Villadsen Klein
Sherry Lynn Landin
Lauren Ruth Millirons
Zack Edward Schaner

Bachelor of Science in Biology

Alexander Lee Aichele
Norinthia Michele Aldrich
Emily Ann Ballance
Calli Elizabeth Beasley
Taylor Evans Britton
Nichelle Alyssia Brown
Magna Cum Laude

Natika Santesa Byse
Makim Travis Christian
Cody Timothy Crowder
Molly Rebecca Dalton
Michael Wayne Deloach
Stephen Gary Eller
Pamela Tatianna Etienne
Matthew Lee Evans
Brittany Tantania Fields
Tamia Lorraine Finney
Samuel Junior Garr
James Spencer Green
Kelly Lynn Hadden
Lauren Taressa Hutton
Ogonna Catherine Ifeadike
Lauren Collese Jackson
Terrell Anthony Jackson
Cierra D. Joyner
Jolie Kamara Kahn-Foss
Courtney Alexandria Kelley
Alexis Nicole Lanser
Mary Elizabeth Ludwig
Courtney Jenae Lumpkin
Cum Laude

Raven Symone Madison
Skye Alexis Mainer
Jennifer Nicole Margert
Daron Danté Martin
Derrick Justin Mayers
Brooke A. McKie
Magna Cum Laude

Brandon Allister McMaster
Grayson Seth Mendieta
Richard Tyler Mims
Mitsy Jannet Moreno
Bloussy Nonorme
Inez Alicia Parker
Ayn Constance Remillard
Meagan Noel Rowe
Cum Laude

Jasmine Racquel Russell
Gil Reo Salazar
Scott Alan Sample
Christopher Myles Shepherd
William David Shoemaker
Micah Todd Spivey
Jack Jaamal St. Jean
Summa Cum Laude
University Honors Program Scholar

Heather Suzanne Stanfield
Brittney L. Stewart
Nadia Simone Stringer
Koren Leonora Tate
Ashley M. Thomas
Shawna Denise Wade
University Honors Program Scholar
Michelle Diane Wallen
Kieandria Sheniece Williams
Amy Denise Yawn
Katherine Dorothy Zielke
Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry

Alexander Bryant Bush
Jeffrey Dana Carreker
Bré Casey Coleman
Ciara LeAnne Couderc
Randi Lynn Elizabeth Cowart
Chad Andrew Crowe
Drew Phillip Daley
Claire Julia Graham
Jessica Lee Gray
Karena Vontrell Hawkins
Jessica Nicole Johnson
Amanda Marie Laufer
Cum Laude
Richard Mackenzie Majors
Alana Sharice Mixon
Caleb Luke Swain
Cum Laude
University Honors Program Scholar
Julia Marie Trossarello
Nicholas Conger Wieting
David Yang

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

Nikolas Alexander Logue

Bachelor of Science in Physics

Samuel Brooks Heiser
Antonio McBride

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts

Rebecca Kay Anderson
Victor Ivez Andrade
Rebekah Jayne Andrews
Gregory Alan Atherton
Michael Jamal Austin
Ansley Elizabeth Aycock
Aysha Marie Banks
Adrian Austreil Barnes
Brigitte Sabatini Beam
Kelly Suzanne Billey
Brittney Cherí Black
Timothy Aaron Boatright
Shantrice Irene Bradley
Sarah Elizabeth Brannen
Magna Cum Laude
Lindsey Brooke Brichacek
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Dissertation: *The Relationship between Mentoring, Job Satisfaction and the Retention of Special Education Teachers*

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Dissertation: *Reasons Urban African American Males Drop out of High School and their Resolutions: Perceptions of Administrators, Graduation Coaches, and Dropouts*

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Doctor of Education

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Dissertation: *Parent Expectations of Elementary School Leaders, Teachers, and Staff: An Examination of Elementary Schools in a Southeastern Georgia School District*

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Dissertation: *Southern Discomfort through the Metaphorical Wings of the Vampire: An Educator as the Other in the U.S. South*
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Dissertation: *Are Best Practices in Literacy Best for Students of Color? An Investigation into what Literacy Teachers do to Teach Literacy Skills to Students of Color*
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Dissertation: *Intentionally Diverse: A Historical Case Study of a Southern Private School's Ten-Year Diversity Initiative*
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Dissertation: *"A Song for You" As a Tribute to the Daughters of the South: Illuminating the Work of Black Women Principals*
Major Professor: Sabrina Ross, Ph.D.

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Dissertation: *Housing Patterns, Academic Performance and School Choice: An Inquiry into the Relocation Experiences of African-American Families*
Major Professor: Sabrina Ross, Ph.D.

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Dissertation: *The Laughter Behind: Curriculum of Place, the Hypermasculine Imperative, and the Critical Education of a Southern Cop*
Major Professor: Sabrina Ross, Ph.D.

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Dissertation: *Epidemiology of Hospital Acquired Methicillin-
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Dissertation: *Demographic and Clinical Characteristics
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“Freedom”

is a non-releasable American Bald Eagle permitted to Georgia Southern University
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Today, Georgia Southern University acknowledges the remarkable achievements of our graduates and celebrates a popular and enduring commencement tradition with the appearance of Freedom, our American Bald Eagle mascot. Freedom's arrival during the singing of the Georgia Southern Alma Mater signifies the conclusion of the commencement ceremony. He serves not only as an ambassador for wildlife, but as an iconic reminder of the strength and majesty of our nation.

Freedom is a male Southern bald eagle that was found knocked out of the nest in Maitland, Florida. Only weeks old and appearing like a “brown ball of fuzz,” it was discovered that the young eagle had an injury to his beak and suffered from an infection. Rushed to the Florida Audubon Center for Birds of Prey, Freedom made a complete recovery from the infection, but the injury to his beak was permanent, preventing his release into the wild. With the permission of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Georgia Southern acquired Freedom in 2004.

Through the Georgia Southern University Center for Wildlife Education and Lamar Q Ball, Jr. Raptor Center, thousands of visitors young and old are embraced by the power of Freedom. Freedom is one of three American Bald Eagles housed at the 18-acre sanctuary, located in the heart of Georgia Southern's campus. The Center also contains numerous species of native raptors, reptiles and amphibians.

For more information, visit: www.GeorgiaSouthern.edu/wildlife.

Did You Know?

- The bald eagle is found only in North America.
- The bald eagle became the official symbol of the United States of America in 1782.
- Georgia Southern University adopted the eagle as its symbol in 1960.
- The bald eagle owes its name to the Middle English term “balled,” meaning “shining white.” The adult bald eagle's head and neck feathers are all white, giving it the name “balled eagle,” meaning “white eagle.”
- The bald eagle has a wingspan of 6-8 ft., and makes its home along coastlines and large bodies of fresh water.
- Eagles are mature at five years of age.
- Eagles require a 25-mile hunting territory and appear to mate for life (can live as long as 50 years).
- Forty years ago, the bald eagle was nearing extinction with just 417 nesting pairs of birds known in the United States. Today, the bird has made a remarkable comeback and is now off the Endangered Species List.
- In 1983, no nesting pair of eagles could be found in Georgia. Today, Georgia has more than 150 known nesting pairs throughout the state.



Georgia Southern University Alma Mater

Caryl Cain Brown

David Mathew

1. From hum-ble farm be - gin - nings Sprung up from san - dy earth A -
2. Through tri-umphs and through tri - als Our Al - ma Ma - ter's stood as

mong the tow-ring pine trees stands a trea-sure of great worth. Her price can - not be
sol - id as the oak trees for - jus - tice and for good. As through these gates we

mea - sured in sil - ver or in gold but in the love and loy - al - ty that
tra - vel and though our ways must part our Geor - gia Sou - them mem' - ries we'll

Chorus

ma - ny hearts en - fold. Georgia Sou-thern U - ni - ver - si - ty, On ea-gles wings you
keep with - in our hearts.

soar — We pledge to you our loy - al - ty and love for - ev - er more.