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TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL FALL COMMENCEMENT
December 11, 2015
Hanner Fieldhouse
Statesboro, Georgia

GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
Georgia Southern University, classified as a doctoral/research institution by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, is a member of the University System of Georgia. As the largest and most comprehensive research institution in southeast Georgia, the University is a residential campus of more than 20,500 students and a premier choice for the state's HOPE Scholars. Students representing 48 states and 89 nations bring a broad array of diverse backgrounds, interests and talents to the University community.

The University’s hallmark is its renowned undergraduate experience, which emphasizes academic distinction, excellent teaching, research and student success. Georgia Southern focuses on students and what they value: a well-rounded collegiate atmosphere; a faculty whose first priority is teaching; and a safe, attractive campus environment that encourages learning, discovery and personal growth.

As Georgia’s 'large-scale, small-feel' research University, Georgia Southern is known for offering all of the benefits of a major university with the personal feel and individualized attention of a much smaller college. Additionally, with an expanding focus on research, Georgia Southern has created a valuable niche and is attracting a record number of outstanding students from across the state, region and country.

Georgia Southern offers more than 120 degree programs at the baccalaureate, master’s and doctoral levels through eight colleges: College of Business Administration, College of Education, College of Health and Human Sciences, Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, College of Science and Mathematics, Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health 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 continues to expand graduate offerings to meet growing demands.

Founded in 1906, Georgia Southern lays claim to being the most beautiful campus in the state. Comprising more than 900 acres, the University grounds are an arboretum-like treasure featuring gently rolling lawns, scenic ponds and soaring pines. The historic core of campus is the quintessential college portrait – Georgian-style, red-brick buildings with white columns surround a tree-lined circular drive known as Sweetheart Circle. Beyond the traditional Circle, contemporary buildings blend into the existing architecture to showcase the continuing growth and expansion of campus facilities. Major projects recently completed include the construction and renovation of the Zach S. Henderson Library, the renovation of the Foy Building, Sanford Hall, Ted Smith Family Football Center, the opening of the 1,001-bed Centennial Place residence hall as well as Dining Commons.

Located in Statesboro, a safe All-American Main Street community of approximately 30,000 residents an hour northwest of Savannah, Georgia Southern provides a wealth of enriching opportunities for people of all ages. The University benefits the region and state by engaging in research and providing public services that offer creative solutions to regional challenges. Georgia Southern also extends educational opportunities to citizens at its off-campus center located in Savannah as well as through online learning.

Georgia Southern is recognized for a nationally competitive athletics program with the University’s 15 Division I teams. Now part of the Sun Belt Conference, the Eagle’s sweeping commitment to excellence has resulted in an unprecedented six NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (formerly I-AA) national championships and NCAA tournament participation in men’s and women’s basketball, baseball, golf, women’s tennis and volleyball. Most recently, the football team won the 2014 Conference Championship in its first year in the Sun Belt.

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 Muddlemog, President of the Metro Atlanta Chamber; and Dan Cathy, President and Chief Operating Officer of Chick-fil-A.

For more information, visit 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 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 Honors designation.

THE SYMBOLS OF ACADEMIC TRADITION

The Mace
Leading the Processional of faculty and administration is the Macebearer, the Moderator of the Faculty Senate 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 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.

Double Eagle
The Double Eagle Society is a new incentive program and a joint initiative between the College of Graduate Studies and the Alumni Association of Georgia Southern. This initiative was created to recognize our alumni who have earned two (or more) degrees from Georgia Southern: one undergraduate degree and one graduate degree or two graduate degrees.
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EMERITUS FACULTY

President Bartels 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. James J. Bergin, Professor of Counselor Education, retired July 31, 2015. Dr. Bergin earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from the University of St. Mary of the Lake (1967) and his Master of Education degree in Guidance and Counseling from Loyola University Chicago (1971). He earned his Doctor of Education degree in Counseling from the College of William and Mary (1974). Upon his retirement, Dr. Bergin had provided 23 years of dedicated service to Georgia Southern University. He began his career as an elementary school teacher in the Chicago Public Schools and went on to serve as an elementary and middle school counselor in Virginia, Illinois, and North Carolina. In 1981, Dr. Bergin entered the higher education arena as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Counselor Education at East Central University. There, he was also promoted to the rank of Associate Professor (1986) and Professor (1990). He joined Georgia Southern University in 1992 as Professor and Chair of what was then the Department of Student Development and Dean of Student Affairs. Following his three year tenure as chair, he served as Professor and Program Coordinator in the Department of Leadership, Technology, and Human Development until his retirement. As a leader in the Counselor Education Program, he was influential in securing M.Ed. program accreditation by the Council for Accrediting Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) for program concentrations in Community Counseling, School Counseling, and Student Affairs. Dr. Bergin considered his greatest achievements to encompass the roles of teacher and mentor for students. His longstanding efforts were acknowledged with the Georgia School Counselors Association (GSCA) Region 12 Counselor Educator of the Year Award in 2012-2013; the GSCA PostSecondary Counselor of the Year Award in 2000-2001, and the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Post-Secondary Counselor of the Year Award in 1994. His scholarship highlights a myriad of presentations and publications emphasizing school counselor advocacy. In 2009, he was recognized as a “Trail Blazer” in the field by the Education Trust’s Center for Transforming School Counseling (NCTSC). His prolific professional service was rewarded with the distinguished American Counseling Association Carl D. Perkins Government Relations award in 1995. Dr. Bergins professional work seamlessly extended into the community, where he actively served as a consultant to local schools in his capacity as a Licensed Professional Counselor. In recognition of his rich contributions to the program, department, college, University, and profession, Dr. James Bergin is awarded the title of Professor Emeritus of Counselor Education.

Dr. Willie J. Burden, Professor of Sport Management, retired May 31, 2015. Dr. Burden earned his B.A. in Economics (1974) from North Carolina State University and his M.A. in Sport Administration (1983) from Ohio University. He received his Ed.D. in Educational Administration (1990) from Tennessee State University. Prior to joining Georgia Southern in 1999, he was Director of Intercollegiate Athletics and Instructor of Physical Education at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University; Assistant Athletic Director and Guest Lecturer in the Sports Administration Program at Ohio University; Assistant Athletic Director at Tennessee Technological University; and Assistant Football Coach and Instructor in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation at Ohio University. During his tenure at Georgia Southern University, Dr. Burden taught 13 different courses in the Sport Management area and served as the Undergraduate Program Coordinator for the Sport Management program for many years. He was well known as an approachable, student centered professor. He had over 16 peer-reviewed publications, including four book chapters in books published by national companies, related to sport administration, student athlete welfare and coaching administration. Dr. Burden has made numerous presentations at the national, regional, and state levels, and completed multiple service assignments. For his numerous contributions in the school, college, University, and profession, Dr. Willie J. Burden deserves the title of Professor Emeritus of Sport Management.

Dr. Grigory Dmitriyev, Professor of Curriculum Studies, will retire on January 1, 2016. In 1972, he earned a Master of Linguistics in English and German languages with the qualification of a teacher of secondary school from Irkutsk Pedagogical Institute of Foreign Languages in the USSR and taught English at the high school level. In 1978 and 1989, he earned two Ph.D. degrees in Comparative Education from the USSR Academy of Pedagogical Sciences in Moscow. His major research focus has been on educational policies, curriculum theories, multiculturalism, and international education in the USA and other countries. At the time of his retirement, Dr. Dmitriyev will have provided almost 25 years of distinguished service in Georgia Southern University. At the University he founded the Center for the Study of International Schooling, serving as its director for eight years. Under his leadership, the Center participated in developing faculty and student exchange with Wuhan University (China), research and student exchange with the United Kingdom (UK), organizing conferences in USA and Wuhan, and over 40 colloquia at the University on various global issues in education. Dr. Dmitriyev authored five books and over 100 articles, book chapters, book reviews, and encyclopedia essays, which were published in Australia, Germany, Greece, Italy, Ukraine, the USA, USSR and in the UNESCO Journal. Additionally, Dr. Dmitriyev was among those who initiated the establishment of the Ed.D. in Curriculum Studies program. As a coordinator of this doctoral program, Dr. Dmitriyev facilitated its growth and enhanced its content by bringing his considerable international expertise. As a chair and a member of dissertation defense committees, he contributed to the preparation of over 20 doctors of education. At the undergraduate level, Dr. Dmitriyev represented Georgia Southern in the USG Board of Regents Consortium for Cross-Cultural Teaching of 16 colleges and universities whose successful work resulted in Multicultural Education becoming a core course in the Teacher Education Programs for all future teachers within the state. As a continuation of these efforts, he also participated in the Consortium’s Writing Team on the creation of a repository of materials on multicultural education for Georgia teachers. In recognition of his many exemplary contributions to the Department of Curriculum, Foundations, and Reading; the College of Education; the University; and the profession, Dr. Grigory Dmitriyev has earned the title of Professor Emeritus of Curriculum Studies.

Ms. Ann H. Hamilton, Professor and Associate Dean of the Zach S. Henderson Library, retired September 30, 2015. Ms. Hamilton holds degrees from the University of Montevallo (B.A., Mathematics and History), Mississippi State University (M.A., History), Mercy University (D.A.L., and M.Ln., Librarianship), and a Certificate of Archives Administration from the Georgia Department of Archives and History. At the time of her retirement, Professor Hamilton had provided 23 years of distinguished service to Georgia Southern, concluding a career of over 40 years of service as an academic librarian. Prior to coming to Georgia Southern, Professor Hamilton served as the Library project manager for the expansion and renovation of Henderson Library from 2000 through 2008. More recently, she led teams that submitted successful applications for National Endowment for the Humanities funding for Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys and Let’s Talk About It: Muslim Journeys. Her campus service has included membership on the Research Advisory Board;
undergraduate and graduate level special education programs. She has held the position of Program Director for both revisions and new program implementation. She has been an impactful mentor for younger faculty and has had a positive influence on student learning. Ms. Nelson earned her B.S. in Psychology and her M.Ed. in Education from Old Dominion University in 1989. Since joining the faculty at Georgia Southern University in that year, Ms. Nelson has served as chair or member of the special education programs has changed significantly through the years, but these transitions were made less stressful by Nelson’s presence as the go-to person for a multitude of issues critical to the success of the programs. To say she was an impactful mentor for younger faculty is an understatement, as she effortlessly guided them through the ropes, offering supervision on report writing, programmatic and course revisions, and new program implementation. She has served Georgia Southern University and the professional community in a variety of positive ways throughout her tenure. Her teaching, mentoring, and service accomplishments stand as splendid examples of the “desired attributes of Georgia Southern faculty.”

Ms. Betty Nelson, Instructor of Special Education, retired July 1, 2015. Ms. Nelson earned her B.S. in Psychology and her M.Ed. in Education from Old Dominion University and joined the faculty at Georgia Southern in 1994. In her almost 21 years at Georgia Southern, Ms. Nelson provided guidance and leadership for both students and faculty in the College of Education’s special education programs. As an instructor of Georgia Southern students, she was lauded for her unwavering availability, promptness in responding to student questions and concerns, and her encouragement of open dialogue in all of her classes. A recent student comment perhaps sums her teaching up best when the student wrote that Ms. Nelson “opened her eyes to the reality of the special education world.” While she had a positive influence on student learning, Ms. Nelson had perhaps an even greater impact on her colleagues. The collection of individuals involved in the Department’s special education programs has changed significantly through the years, but these transitions were made less stressful by Ms. Nelson’s presence as the go-to person for a multitude of issues critical to the success of the programs. To say she was an impactful mentor for younger faculty is an understatement, as she effortlessly guided them through the ropes, offering supervision on report writing, programmatic and course revisions, and new program implementation. She has served Georgia Southern University and the professional community in a variety of positive ways throughout her tenure.

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.

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### College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

**9:00 A.M. Ceremony**

**FACULTY MARSHALS**

- Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies

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- HANS P. MORTENSEN, M.S., Associate Professor, Art
- D. JASON SLONE, Ph.D., Associate Dean and Professor, Literature and Philosophy
- CHAD POSICK, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice and Criminology
- JANICE N. ŠTEIRN, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Psychology

**READERS**

- College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

**THE PLATFORM PARTY**

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B.A., Augusta State University, 1998
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“Freedom” is a non-releasable American Bald Eagle permitted to Georgia Southern University Center for Wildlife Education & Lamar Q Ball, Jr. Raptor Center

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.

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 177 known nesting pairs throughout the state.

For more information, visit: www.GeorgiaSouthern.edu/wildlife.
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1. From humble farm beginnings Sprung up from sandy earth A-
2. Through triumphs and through trials Our Alma Mater's stood as

among the towering pine trees stands a treasure of great worth. Her price cannot be
sold as the oak trees for justice and for good. As through these gates we

measured in silver or in gold but in the love and loyalty that
travel and though our ways must part our Georgia Southern memories we'll

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many hearts enfold. Georgia Southern University, On eagle's wings you

soar. We pledge to you our loyalty and love forever more.