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## Message from the President

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As president of Georgia Southern University, one of my key roles is to share all the exciting things happening at Georgia Southern. The other side of that role is sharing my vision for the University. As we work toward creating a new Georgia Southern, I'll send out periodic emails to let you know what I am up to and the many ways that Georgia Southern is serving our students and communities.

- The consolidation of Georgia Southern and Armstrong continued to progress this week. On Wednesday, the USG held a training session for the Consolidation Implementation Committee and the chairs of the functional areas, which consist of members from both universities. As a result, our Operational Working Groups will be identified and members asked to participate in the very near future.
- While in Savannah on Wednesday, I met with major media outlets to discuss the consolidation. There is enormous interest in the consolidation, how it will happen and how it will impact Savannah and the communities of Southeast Georgia. I look forward to sharing our progress throughout the transition.
- This afternoon at 3 p.m., we will break ground on the new Interdisciplinary Academic Building. This building will be a place where our teacher-scholars can continue their student-centered instruction in a state-of-the-art learning environment with the latest technology. I hope you'll join us to celebrate our growth.
- This evening, I will have the honor of meeting high-achieving Georgia Southern prospects at the Scholars' Day, hosted by the Admissions Office. It is always exciting to talk with these outstanding high school students, listen to their aspirations and share the reasons they should "Choose Southern" to help them fulfill their goals.

It's a thrilling time to be part of the Eagle Nation! I hope you have a safe and happy weekend.

Jaimie Hebert  
President