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Honors Welcomes the New School Year

Community bonds are said to be strengthened over a meal, and the Honors Community is no exception. Honors students, faculty and staff gathered Tuesday August 22 enjoying both good food and great conversation. Georgia Southern University President Jaimie Hebert shared his experiences as an honors student including talking about his undergraduate thesis project. Honors Program Director Steven Engel gave students advice for the academic challenges in the year ahead.
Dr. Engel also welcomed Armstrong State University Honors Program Director Jonathan Roberts, and said he looks forward to bringing our two great programs together as one.

More photos from the reception can be viewed on our Facebook page.

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The Georgia Southern University Honors Program is designed to foster the development of a critical sense of inquiry, a spirit of creativity, a global perspective and an ethic of civic responsibility. With your investment, the University Honors Program will continue to enrich the lives of students at Georgia Southern University.

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Honors Alumni are encouraged to update their information here!

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Our Fourth Summer in Ireland
This summer marked the fourth year that the University Honors Program has partnered with Georgia Southern’s Center for Irish Research and Teaching to travel to Ireland to participate in the Wexford-Savannah Axis. The program’s primary goal is to reveal the strong connection between County Wexford, Ireland and the city of Savannah, Georgia through primary source research. This summer was Mitchell Mayes’ (logistics ’18) second time participating in this unique Honors Program trip to Ireland. “Going to the national archive in Dublin and seeing first-hand documents was an eye-opening experience. These documents stretch back hundreds of years…such as letters and newspapers,” said Mayes. This research-based summer program also gave students the chance to experience another culture. Kelley Nemec (information systems ’19) said, “At our two presentations in Wexford, we were welcomed with an abundance of hospitality.” The University Honors Program has created a strong connection with County Wexford thanks to the continued dedication of Honors students every year.

The Honors students who participated this summer were: Noelle Anderson, Michelle Daly, Cadence Dwyer, Brittany Hollowell, Mitchell Mayes, Bayley Morgan, Kelley Nemec, Bernadette O’Donnell and Jarvis Steele.
Every morning during the summer of 2017, Mattie Braselton (chemistry ’18) and Marina Michaud (chemistry ’17) entered a lab, prepared their resources and conducted experiments. These two Georgia Southern University Honors students had the opportunity to conduct undergraduate research through the National Science Foundation: Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU). Braselton conducted research at the University of Mississippi, while Michaud worked at North Carolina State University. Both students assisted professors at each university who were conducting their individual research.

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