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Eagle Dining Services Recognize Emily Arrington as Participant in 2015 NACUFS Planning Institute

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Statesboro, Ga – Georgia Southern University is proud to announce Emily Arrington, Assistant Manager of Dining Commons, as a participant for the 2015 Planning Institute, one of eight professional development institutes shaped and coordinated by the National Association of College & University Food Services (NACUFS).

Available exclusively to NACUFS members, the eight institutes are among the most rigorous and rewarding programs offered by the association. More than 260 applications are received for the 2015 summer institutes. The NACUFS selects applicants through a multi-stage process involving NACUFS leaders at both the regional and national level.

"The eight NACUFS institutes are designed to build up a successful foodservice professional. Furthering our education and developing our professional skills is crucial in order to elevate campus dining and carry out the mission of NACUFS," says Cheryl Garner from the University of California-Riverside, chair of the NACUFS Education Committee.

Each institute lasts four to six days and offers a robust curriculum that includes classroom instruction, appropriate sponsor and campus tours, extensive peer-to-peer interaction, and an individual or group project for immediate application of the program content.

The Planning Institute, being held June 7-12, focuses on the planning components of college food service, with emphasis on strategic and business planning. Institute participants will learn to identify the critical components of the planning process, use benchmarking in the planning process, develop strategies to gain approval of the plan, and implement and evaluate the plan. This institute takes place in Austin, MN. and is sponsored by Hormel Food Corporation.

"I am honored to be selected and I hope to gain a wealth of knowledge from NACUFS and Hormel that I can bring back with me to Georgia Southern that can help my department be better," said Arrington. "I am so thankful for the educational opportunities that are given to me by Georgia Southern and NACUFS. This institute is the fifth institute (out of eight offered by NACUFS) that I have attended."

Arrington is also elected the NACUFS Southern Region Information Officer at the NACUFS Southern Regional Conference at NC State University in Raleigh, NC. She will take office in July at the NACUFS National Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana.

About NACUFS

Founded in 1958, the National Association of College & University Food Services is the professional trade association for foodservice professionals at institutions of higher education in the United States, Canada, and abroad. NACUFS provides its more than 475 institutional and 550 industry members with educational, networking, and professional development opportunities and a variety of informational publications. NACUFS is also heavily involved in industry research.

The mission of NACUFS is to support and promote excellence in collegiate dining.

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