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# GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

### **A United Effort at Tybee Beach**



In what has become a semester tradition, thirty-seven honors students from the Armstrong and Statesboro campuses once again joined forces to "fight dirty" in a clean-up of Tybee Island's North Beach. This was the third time honors students have joined forces to clean up the beach, and the second time as a consolidated program. The group that came out September 8 was the largest Honors Program group yet, and many first-year students were among their number. The clean-ups are a tradition that is growing.

Students from each campus have coordinated these clean-up events through Tybee Clean Beach Volunteers, a local non-profit organization. The group hosts beach clean-ups for the general population as often as every week during beach season as well as organizes events for volunteers from specific organizations.

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# Where in the World is Sophia Fleri?



Study abroad advocates claim that taking one trip will only convince students that they need to go on another. Sophia Fleri (mechanical engineering '20) needed no such convincing as she spent this past summer going on her third and fourth study abroad experiences. After her freshman year, she traveled to Argentina. Then it was off to Romania after her sophomore year. And this year she participated on the trip to Shenzhen, China and Munich, Germany, spending a total of nine weeks outside of the country.

Fleri's courses in China were her first history classes not focused on American or European history. "I took a history course that was not taught from a Eurocentric standpoint. The course had an appreciation for the worldview, and I was able to learn more about the culture I was visiting while living there," Fleri said.

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## In the Gallery and Behind the Scenes: Honors Art Majors at Ovation



Taking art from the studio to the gallery is every art student's goal. For Georgia Southern's scholarship recipients in the Department of Art, the annual Ovation Showcase at the Blick Gallery in Savannah is a highlight of every fall. This year, two Honors Program students were among the participants in the event. Marian Trainor (3d studio art '18) presented projects from her honors thesis and personal work, while Megan Tanner (art history and French '21) had the opportunity to work behindthe-scenes with the curation process.

Trainor has participated in previous exhibitions, and at every event gains feedback from an audience of other artists and the interested public. She has been working on her thesis for the past year, creating sculptural and mixed media objects. Trainor credits her sculpture professor Dr. Marc Moulton with guidance and motivation in developing her work.

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