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On Friday, April 28, Keith Landry was the keynote speaker at Ranger School graduation in Fort Benning, GA. Keith Landry, Ph.D., P.E., is currently serving as Interim Assistant Dean for Research, Interim Director of CITEMS, and Assistant Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering & Construction Management. Before joining Georgia Southern, Dr. Landry retired from the U.S. Army with the rank of Colonel, having served 26 years in the Army Corps of Engineers.

Dr. Landry was greatly honored not only by being invited to speak, but also by being awarded his Ranger tab 31 years after having missed his graduation from Ranger School due to life-threatening injuries suffered during training. Retired Col. Ralph Puckett, a Ranger legend who lives in Columbus, GA, pinned the tab on Dr. Landry’s suit coat, noting: [Ranger Landry] “sets an example for all Rangers — and especially for the young ones coming along.” Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade Command Sgt. Maj. Victor Ballasteros added that “Ranger Landry is a true Ranger. He embodies the Ranger Creed through his perseverance, selfless service and continued pursuit of excellence throughout his career.”

Dr. Landry will leave Georgia Southern at the end of the spring 2017 semester to serve as Assistant Public Works Director in Fort Lauderdale, FL.