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Saturday course will help engineering graduates prepare for exam

FEBRUARY 16, 2007

Seven Saturdays in a Georgia Southern University classroom can help engineering graduates take the next step up the career ladder.

“Fundamentals of Engineering Exam Review: A Refresher Course” will run every Saturday from Feb. 24 through April 7 in the School of Technology Building on the Georgia Southern campus in Statesboro.

The course is only for individuals who have already been exposed to the topics during their undergraduate degree training in engineering or engineering technology. Each class will meet from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., with a one-hour break for lunch.

By passing the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) exam, which is given annually in April and October, recent engineering graduates can be called engineers-in-training or engineering interns. It is the first step toward becoming a licensed professional engineer.

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying, which runs the FE exam, calls it “a measure of minimum competency to enter the profession.”

The course offered by Georgia Southern reviews key topics from 10 fields within the engineering sciences, such as mathematics, statics, and strength of materials. Using the recommended textbook, participants review practice problems and go step-by-step through the processes in each field.

The fee for the course is \$499 per person. This fee does not include the textbook.

To register, visit <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted> or call (912) 681-5551. For more information, call Judy Hendrix at (912) 681-5993.

Moscow Festival Ballet will present "Swan Lake" at Performing Arts Center on March 8

FEBRUARY 16, 2007

A critically acclaimed ballet company is bringing one of the world's most beloved and popular ballets to the Performing Arts Center (PAC) at Georgia Southern University.

The Moscow Festival Ballet will present "Swan Lake" at the PAC on Thursday, March 8, at 7:30 p.m.

Founded by the principal dancer of the legendary Bolshoi Company, the Moscow Festival Ballet features many of Russia's leading dancers.

The tale of a handsome young prince's love for a beautiful princess who has been turned into a bird by an evil sorcerer, "Swan Lake" takes the audience on an emotional journey that ranges from hope to terror to ecstasy.

Tickets for "Swan Lake" are \$35 plus tax per person for the general public. Georgia Southern faculty, staff and students will receive a 10 percent discount. Groups of 15 or more people from outside the University community are also eligible for a 10 percent discount.

In addition, if any tickets are available 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the performance, any Georgia Southern student with a valid University I.D. can purchase one ticket for \$10 plus tax.

The Moscow Festival Ballet was formed in 1989 by Sergei Radchenko, who brought together the highest classical elements of the Bolshoi and Kirov companies in a new company within the framework of Russian classic ballet.

Since its inception, the Moscow Festival Ballet has toured extensively in Asia, Europe and North America. The company is currently in the midst of a 17-week tour of the United States.

"Swan Lake" was first performed in Moscow, Russia, in 1877. Originally called "The Lake of the Swans," the ballet featured a musical score by the great Russian composer Tchaikovsky and choreography by Julius Reisinger. It was later updated and popularized by the Russian team of Petipa and Ivanov.

The PAC is located on the Georgia Southern campus at the corner of Chandler Road and Plant Drive. The box office is open every Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The box office is also open one hour prior to the start of each performance.

To purchase tickets or obtain additional information, call (912) 486-7999 or toll free (866) PAC-ARTS, or visit the PAC Web site at <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/pac>.