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Georgia Southern University announces $5 million gift to the College of Business

The Georgia Southern University Foundation Inc., received a $5 million gift, the single largest gift in University history, for the College of Business from Greg Parker, president, founder and CEO of The Parker Companies in Savannah. The University System of Georgia Board of Regents approved the name of the Gregory M. Parker College of Business at Georgia Southern University.

Georgia Southern students change the world through volunteering
Three Georgia Southern University students with a passion to serve others are connecting people to volunteer opportunities around the world through their nonprofit organization IVolunteer International.

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**Department of Biology researchers use DNA to monitor endangered species**

Georgia Southern University researchers in the Department of Biology are using cutting-edge genetic technology to help better monitor endangered species. Biology professors Jamie Roberts, Ph.D., and Christian Cox, Ph.D., were awarded three years of funding by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission. The funding will be used to develop the techniques necessary for a comprehensive genetic monitoring.

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**Georgia Southern team awarded more than $750,000 for teacher development grant**

A team of Georgia Southern University professors led by College of Education’s (COE) Lacey Huffling, Ph.D., has been awarded a $763,897 grant from the Gulf Research Program (GRP) of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine. The grant will fund the first two years of Okefenokee — Understanding Real-world Relevance through Suwannee Watershed Assessment and Monitoring Project (OUR2 SWAMP).
Georgia Southern University to host 32nd annual Southern Conference on Children

Early bird registration is open for the 32nd annual Southern Conference on Children, featuring keynote speaker Vernon Mason Jr., founder of Directors Leadership Solutions and president of the WEE SCHOOL Child Development Center, serving children in four locations across North Carolina. The conference is set for Jan. 26 at the Nessmith-Lane Center on the Georgia Southern University Statesboro Campus.

Georgia Southern alumnus, Perot Museum of Nature and Science unveil virtual reality app

Internationally renowned paleoanthropologist and Georgia Southern University alumnus Lee Berger, Ph.D., along with leaders of the Perot Museum of Nature and Science in Dallas and South Africa’s University of the Witwatersrand (Wits University), have made it possible to delve deep within a South African cave to discover and recover some of the most famous ancient human fossils in scientific history by creating a world-first virtual reality (VR) app.
Georgia Southern, Ocean Exchange announce winner of annual BIG Pitch Award

The Georgia Southern University Parker College of Business and the Business Innovation Group (BIG) awarded a grand prize of $10,000 to Vita Inclinata Technologies LLC, a team of innovators from Seattle University, for the 2018 BIG Pitch Award. The eighth annual Ocean Exchange, hosted in Savannah, Georgia, featured the fourth year of the BIG Pitch Award, which is given to collegiate innovators who have created sustainable solutions.

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On-Campus News

- Georgia Southern ranked in most affordable online master’s in national elementary education list
- Georgia Southern’s online master’s in sport management named one of the most affordable
- Georgia Southern’s School of Nursing offers most affordable online programs
- Georgia Southern professor named Governor’s Teaching Fellow
- Georgia Southern University to host 8th annual Interdisciplinary STEM Teaching and Learning Conference
- Georgia Southern Museum seeks Vietnam War-era artifacts for new Statesboro exhibit
- Parker College of Business hosts 12th annual Southeast Georgia Community Bank Symposium
- Georgia Southern professor serves as guest speaker for USA Basketball
- Georgia Southern undergraduate researchers present at 45th annual NOBCChE conference
- Georgia Southern’s Q2 Economic Monitor reports economy up, employment growth slows

In the Media

- Fans of Georgia Southern and UGA have been filling their respective kettles, provide Christmas for more than 600 area children – WJBF (Augusta)
- Report: Savannah-area economy holds steady but pay declines – Savannah Morning News
- Georgia Southern University receives $5M gift From Greg Parker – Diverse Issues in Higher Education
- Greg Parker donates $5M to Georgia Southern University – WSAV
- 12 Scams of Christmas Holiday Hiring – WSAV
- Georgia Southern waives application fee in November – Statesboro Herald
- High school students invited to Georgia Southern’s campuses to learn about Dual Enrollment – Savannah CEO
- Georgia Southern gets record $5 million donation – Atlanta Journal-Constitution
- Savannah businessman gives $5M to Georgia Southern University – Atlanta Business Chronicle
- Georgia Southern team awarded more than $750,000 for teacher development grant – All on Georgia
- A $5 million gift to Georgia Southern – Statesboro Herald
- Georgia Southern University announces $5 million gift to the College of Business – Savannah Business Journal