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Faculty, Students Attend Women and Girls in Georgia Conference

November 16, 2017



The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Georgia Southern University sponsored two professors and six students trip to the Nov. 11 as they attended the Women and Girls in Georgia Conference at the University of Georgia.

Attending the conference were Baker Rogers, Ph.D., Clare Walsh, Ph.D., Katie-Anne Arnoldy, Angelique Jennings, Megan Hairald, Ashley Strickland, Raisa Gallegos, and Erin Maurer.

The overall theme of this year's conference was Justice and Resistance and sessions reflected this theme.

Topics covered included: "Breaking Barriers through Community Organizing," "Resisting Violence and Silence," "Women and Elected Office in Georgia," "Educational Inequalities in Higher Education," and "Feminist and Womanist Approaches to Activism and Organizing."

The keynote speaker was Angy Rivera who is the co-director at the New York State Youth Leadership Council. She spoke of her own experiences as an undocumented immigrant who became an activist for immigration rights.

The day ended with a roundtable titled "Intersectional Social Justice Activism in Georgia" where representatives who were activists in economic, racial, reproductive, social, and environmental justice spoke of their challenges and successes.

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