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# Georgia Southern University offers online training for septic tank contractors

*FEBRUARY 5, 2008*

Busy septic contractors and Georgia's Environmental Health District personnel now have a user-friendly way to complete their required continuing education: by taking online courses from Georgia Southern University.

Georgia's septic tank contractors and installers have until Thursday, Feb. 28, to complete four to eight hours of recertification training. The state's environmental health workers have similar responsibilities for regular update training.

Georgia's Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health, Environmental Health Section has authorized Georgia Southern University to provide on-site sewage (OSS) training as online courses to meet the recertification and training needs of these core personnel in ensuring public health.

For \$75 per course, participants can avoid the time and expense of travel, hotel and food bills, and loss of work time that come from face-to-face training. Instead, participants have one full month from the date of payment to access the course repeatedly online and take the final exam as often as they wish.

The three scheduled online classes each providing one or two hours of training were developed in partnership with the University's Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health.

'OSS 1010: Safety and On-Site Sewage Management' is the hour-long course that covers the various safety issues which must be addressed when installing and inspecting on-site sewage systems. 'OSS 1200: Wastewater Characteristics' is a two-hour class that covers the biological, chemical and physical characteristics of wastewater. 'OSS 1210: Pathogens of Concern in On-Site Sewage' is another two-hour class that defines the pathogens associated with sewage and discusses their potential for the transmission of infectious diseases.

The courses may be taken in any order. For more information or to register, visit <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted> or call (912) 681-5551.

Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University, offers more than 120 degree programs serving nearly 17,000 students. Through eight colleges, the University offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs built on more than a century of academic achievement. The University, one of Georgia's largest, is a top choice of Georgia's HOPE scholars and is recognized for its student-centered approach to education. Visit: [www.georgiasouthern.edu](http://www.georgiasouthern.edu)

# **Georgia Southern University presents Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues"**

FEBRUARY 5, 2008

Georgia Southern University's chapter of the National Organization for Women, along with the Women's and Gender Studies Program, is gearing up for the 4th annual benefit performance of Eve Ensler's 'The Vagina Monologues.' The performance will take place Thursday, Feb. 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center.

The performance takes place in support of V-Day, a global movement to stop violence against women and girls. V-Day is a catalyst that promotes creative events to increase awareness, raise money, and revitalize the spirit of existing anti-violence organizations. Through V-Day campaigns, local volunteers and college students produce annual benefit performances of "The Vagina Monologues" to raise awareness and funds for anti-violence groups within their own communities. Proceeds from this year's performance benefit Safe Haven, the local domestic violence shelter.

Advance ticket sales for the Vagina Monologues begin Tuesday, Feb. 5. Tickets for the performance, along with T-shirts and chocolates, will be on sale at the Russell Union, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tickets are also available from the Box Office at the Performing Arts Center, 912-486-7999, or online at <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/pac/>. Tickets are \$5 for students in advance, \$7 at the door; \$7 for faculty in advance, \$10 at the door.