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# RecycleMania Competition Kicks off at Georgia Southern

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Georgia Southern University has successfully launched the 2015 RecycleMania tournament and is set to compete in the formal competition for the next few weeks.

Through March 29, Georgia Southern will be among 392 schools competing nationwide to recycle the most on a per capita basis by producing the least amount of waste and by recycling the largest percentage of the school's overall waste stream. Updated rankings

published online will allow schools to track their progress and rally to improve their standings against rival colleges.

"RecycleMania provides a way for students to get involved and make a difference in their campus communities," said Brenda Pulley, vice president of Keep America Beautiful.

During RecycleMania, students and faculty and staff can expect to win prizes and public recognition if they are "Caught Green Handed" in the act of recycling. Those seen refilling reusable coffee or tea mugs on campus may discover their "Mug Shot" on social media and in the student newspaper. Each Monday during the competition, the Center for Sustainability will host Recycle Olympics at the Russell Union Rotunda from 12-1p.m., and Student Media and the Center for Sustainability are teaming up to host a "Dress in the Press" event on March 5.

"RecycleMania is an opportunity for us to raise awareness about our campus recycling program as well as waste reduction and conservation issues in general," said Christina Beslin, graduate assistant for the Center for Sustainability. "And, of course, it's also fun!"

For more information about Georgia Southern's involvement with RecycleMania, contact the Center for Sustainability at [cfs@GeorgiaSouthern.edu](mailto:cfs@GeorgiaSouthern.edu), by phone at 478-5895, or by visiting [GeorgiaSouthern.edu/sustainability](http://GeorgiaSouthern.edu/sustainability).

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academic achievement. Georgia Southern is recognized for its student-centered and hands-on approach to education.

## **Georgia Southern University Counseling Center receives Re-Accreditation**

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The Counseling Center at Georgia Southern University has recently been re-accredited by the International Association of Counseling Services Inc. (IACS), an Alexandria, Virginia, based organization of United States, Canadian and Australian counseling agencies.

The Counseling Center was evaluated by IACS against high standards of counseling practice and was found to offer competent and reliable professional services to its clientele. Approval by IACS is dependent upon evidence of continuing professional development as well as demonstration of excellence of counseling performance. IACS is the only accreditation association which accredits counseling services on university and college campuses.

"Our maintenance of IACS accreditation is a testament to the commitment of the Counseling Center staff, as well as the administrators who provide us support, to provide only the highest quality of care and training to students of Georgia Southern University," said Dr. Jodi Caldwell, director of the Center. "Presently, there are only 167 university counseling centers that have achieved and maintained this international accreditation."

Accreditation by IACS is a voluntary evaluative process involving a written self-study and the adherence to established standards of practice. These standards are articulated by the IACS Board of Accreditation, which are directors of counseling services located throughout the United States and internationally.

The Counseling Center offers individual, couples and group therapy. In addition, it offers training programs for students at the bachelor's, master's, doctoral and post-doctoral level. The Counseling Center is a University Counseling Center serving full-time, matriculating, Georgia Southern University students.

IACS was established in 1972 to encourage and aid counseling agencies to meet high professional standards through peer evaluation and to inform the public about counseling services that are competent and reliable. The organization provides guidelines for counseling centers to ensure that their clients are receiving the best possible care. These guidelines address areas such as staffing

requirements, technological changes in the field and how best to balance providing individual care with other options such as group therapy, outreach programming and crisis response.

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