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Georgia Southern University Granted First Undergraduate Manufacturing Engineering Program in the State of Georgia

AUGUST 20, 2014



The Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology will begin offering the Manufacturing Engineering undergraduate degree program in Fall 2015.

Georgia Southern University made history on Wednesday, Aug. 20, 2014, when the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia granted the University with the first undergraduate Manufacturing Engineering degree program in the state of Georgia and Southeast United States.

"Manufacturing is returning to the U.S., and the state of Georgia can now prepare its citizens for careers in this fast-growing field," said Mohammad Davoud, dean of the Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology. "Employees trained in manufacturing will enable Georgia to attract corporations and industries to invest in the state and region. These corporations need manufacturing engineers who are trained to think innovatively and use state-of-the-art techniques

and technologies. The new Manufacturing Engineering program at Georgia Southern will do just that.”

Manufacturing engineers work closely with mechanical, electrical and other engineers as a member of the design team to ensure manufacturability of the product while considering recycling and other aspects of the product life cycle. They also concentrate on the facilities, equipment, processes and methods necessary for the efficient and safe production of products in a globally competitive environment. Manufacturing engineers direct and coordinate the processes for transforming materials into products and guide the design, and conduct analysis and modification of product design to ensure the viability of the design for manufacturability.

Currently, there are only 20 accredited manufacturing engineering programs in the U.S and none in the Southeast United States that offer a manufacturing engineering undergraduate program.

The Manufacturing Engineering program will be housed in the College of Engineering and Information Technology (CEIT). CEIT prides itself on providing an application-based, practical education using hands-on laboratories and exercises to bridge classroom learning and the “real world.” In addition to the Manufacturing Engineering program, CEIT is working toward establishing a world-class Southeastern Materials & Manufacturing Applied Research Center. The Research Center will enable Georgia Southern’s engineering programs to collaborate with regional corporations to conduct applied research projects, pilot manufacturing studies, product development and technical support.

The Manufacturing Engineering program will begin accepting students in fall 2015.

The Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology offers five ABET-accredited programs serving more than 3,000 undergraduate students in its Departments of Civil Engineering and Construction Management, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Information Technology and Mechanical Engineering; and over 100 students in its master’s program. CEIT prides itself on fostering student-centric professional learning experiences by utilizing advanced technologies applied with state-of-the-art equipment, inspiring innovation and invention, and encouraging sustainability. CEIT degree programs are recognized for their intensive hands-on laboratory experiences being an integral extension of the coursework. Visit ceit.georgiasouthern.edu.

Archie Manning Postponed Until Spring

AUGUST 20, 2014



The University has rescheduled its Leadership Lecture Series featuring speaker Archie Manning, National Football League player, 1989 College Hall of Fame member, and Chairman of the National Football Foundation, until Tuesday, March 24, 2015 from 7-8 p.m. The rescheduling from Sept. 17, 2014 is due to unforeseen construction at Hanner Fieldhouse.

Manning joins a distinguished list of leaders to appear at Georgia Southern's Leadership Lecture Series which includes former first lady Laura Bush, former President Jimmy Carter and first lady Rosalynn Carter, former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and political consultants James Carville and Mary Matalin.

The Leadership Lecture Series was developed to expose students to insights from world-class leaders. For more information visit the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment management at em.georgiasouthern.edu