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Georgia Southern University student Jeffrey Hupman was awarded a \$10,000 scholarship from the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB), a nonprofit corporation. The Tampa, Fla., native has achieved a 3.93 GPA, and is the first student from the University to be awarded the competitive national scholarship.

A member of Beta Alpha Psi, Beta Gamma Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies, Hupman is a senior, double majoring in finance and accounting. "Jeff is a diligent student in the classroom and really motivated," said accounting professor Dwight Sneathen. As a member of the School of Accountancy's scholarship committee, Sneathen said that Hupman was one of approximately 100 students reviewed by the University committee for the scholarship.

The PCAOB was established by Congress to oversee the audits of public companies in order to protect investors and the public interest by promoting informative, accurate and independent audit reports. The corporation's scholarship was created to encourage outstanding undergraduate and graduate students to pursue a career in auditing.

For the past seven years, Hupman has worked as a financial advisor for several local and national investment firms. "I have been involved with finance for a long time," said Hupman, "and the focus on accounting gives me a better understanding of financial statements and auditing, while also presenting me with a lot of career opportunities." After receiving his bachelor's degree, Hupman's future plans include attending graduate school to earn a Masters of Accountancy degree.

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