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The Eagles came out strong to open up indoor season

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WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.- With 10 Top-5 finishes at the Wake Forest Invitational this weekend, the Georgia Southern track and field team made a statement that they're ready to compete this spring season. In two events, the Eagles captured second-place honors; sophomore [Rebecca Parker](#) ran the 5000m in 18:53 and senior [Jasmin Walker](#) posted a long jump of 5.62 meters. Also in the 5000m, three other Eagles finished within the Top-10—junior Bianca Loza in third, junior [Ashton Lord](#) in fifth and freshman [Chantelle Nicholls](#) in seventh. In 600m, sophomore Bailey Willet tallied a 1:37 which was good for fourth and freshman [Jillian Sloane](#) came up just two spots short of Willet. Another freshman, [Tatiana Rayford](#) finished in sixth for the 60m hurdles with a time of 8.9. The Eagles showed their speed in the 4x400m relay, where the team finished a mere 0.2 seconds from fourth place. The other relay team for the Blue and White picked up notched seventh place. Georgia Southern was just as successful in the field portion of events as junior [Kelsey Arnold](#) (weight throw), senior Keyanna Hams (high jump) and junior [Nia Hill](#) (long jump) placed fourth in their respective competitions. In addition, [Ashleigh Rasheed](#)'s 11.4 meter triple jump clinched third.