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Georgia Southern University recognized for commitment to veterans and military-connected students

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Georgia Southern University has been recognized by *Military Times* in the Military Times Best: Colleges 2018 for its commitment to providing quality educational opportunities to America's veterans and military-connected students. The University ranked in this year's list at 112. Georgia Southern supports nearly 500 veteran and military-connected students currently enrolled at the University.

In its eighth year, the rankings, formerly known as Best for Vets, factor in the results of Military Times' annual survey and school-by-school assessment of veteran and military student services and rates of academic achievement. *Military Times'* annual Best Colleges survey asks colleges and universities to meticulously document a tremendous array of services, special rules, accommodations and financial incentives offered to students with military ties; and to describe many aspects of veteran culture on a campus. *Military Times* also factors in data from the Veterans Affairs and Defense departments, as well as three Education Department sources: the IPEDS Data Center, College Scorecard data and the Cohort Default Rate Database.

For the full Military Times Best: Colleges 2018 rankings, and survey methodology, go to [Military Times Best: Colleges 2018](#).

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/Research University founded in 1906, offers 118 degree programs serving 20,418 students. Through eight colleges, the University offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs built on more than a century of academic achievement. Georgia Southern is recognized for its student-centered and hands-on approach to education. Visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu.

Approximately 1,600 degrees conferred during Georgia Southern's annual Fall Commencement

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Rain couldn't dampen the spirits of nearly 1,600 graduates at Georgia Southern University as graduate and undergraduate students were recognized during the Fall 2017 Commencement ceremony today.



Held in Hanner Fieldhouse, graduates from the University's eight colleges received their degrees in three different ceremonies before family and friends. Georgia Southern alumnus and 2017 College Football Hall of Fame inductee Adrian Peterson ('01) spoke to graduates in the 2 p.m. ceremony.

"As we walk across this stage, take everything that you learned here, take it," Peterson said. "You may not need it tomorrow, and you may not need it next week. But somewhere down the line, you're going to need it. More