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Georgia Southern included in top national rankings for online Master of Science in Sport Management

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Georgia Southern University's online Master of Science in Sport Management has been ranked No. 2 for Best Value Online Sport Management, No. 11 for Most Affordable Online Colleges for a Master's in Sports Management, and No. 28 for Top 50 Master's in Sports Management Online Degree Programs for 2018.

"It is an honor to be recognized along with the nation's top sport management programs," said Program Coordinator and Assistant Professor of Sport Management Christina Gipson, Ph.D. "The rankings recognize Georgia Southern's sport management faculty's student-first focus, strong research, practical backgrounds and our dedication and commitment to provide students with a valuable and meaningful education. Our program is continually setting higher goals and honors, as these push us to achieve even more."

The 36-credit online program is designed to provide academic preparation and practical experience in the skills and techniques necessary to be successful in the sport business and leisure fields.

Students are able to complete the program in 24 months, or as their schedule permits. Upon completion of the program, graduates are prepared to work in sports marketing, promotion and advertising; sports information, media and communications; The Olympic Movement; state and county sports commissions; athletic leagues and associations; sport facilities and event management; and professional teams or collegiate athletic departments.

For more information on the online master's degree in sport management, visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu/chp/hk/graduate/sport-management/.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/Research institution founded in 1906, offers 142 degree programs serving more than 27,000 students through nine colleges on three campuses in Savannah, Statesboro, Hinesville and online instruction. A leader in higher education in southeast Georgia, the University provides a diverse student population with expert faculty, world-class scholarship and hands-on learning opportunities. Georgia Southern creates lifelong learners who serve as responsible scholars, leaders and stewards in their communities. Visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu.

Treasure Savannah: Georgia Southern gives back to the community

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On Saturday, nearly 200 Georgia Southern University students, faculty and staff arrived on the Armstrong Campus in Savannah to volunteer for Treasure Savannah, a biannual day of service.

Following an early-morning welcome from University Vice President for Armstrong and Liberty Campus Operations Christopher Curtis, Ph.D., volunteers boarded buses departing to 13 service sites throughout Savannah and Hinesville, including Skidaway Island State Park, Keep Savannah Beautiful, Hoofs 4 Healing, Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity ReStore, Georgia Regional Hospital, Second Harvest and

Liberty County's Humane Shelter and Manna House.

"I am all about community service and giving back," said Brooke Okorley, a junior in the respiratory therapy program. "I think it is important for the campuses to participate because it allows students to get out of the small college world and see that there is joy in giving back to the community."

Since Treasure Savannah's inception seven years ago, the Armstrong and Liberty Campus communities have contributed more than 12,000 hours of service to various area nonprofits.

Jena Murph, a first-year student studying biology, served as a site leader for Keep Savannah Beautiful. The impact of the new experience was particularly fulfilling, she said, after a Savannah resident thanked the students for making him smile that morning.

"We walked up and down 35th street and picked up trash around people's homes and sidewalks," she said. "I felt especially elated when my group and I saw the impact that we were making on a local neighborhood. It is also so comforting to know that I am surrounded by fellow students who are as passionate about helping others as I am."

First-year psychology major Megan Evans spent the morning organizing a supply closet, sorting old photos and painting banners for a treatment center at Georgia Regional Hospital.

"I think it is important that our campuses participate in this day of volunteering because it is a great way to give back to the community around us," noted Evans. "It also helps students get involved and brings students closer, creating new friendships."

To view Treasure Savannah photos visit: <http://photos.armstrong.edu/Georgia-Southern-University-2018/Community-Outreach/2018-Treasure-Savannah-Spring/i-ZGVx37z/A>.

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Pianist Emilio Peroni to perform on Statesboro Campus March 7

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The Georgia Southern University Department of Music will host Argentinian pianist Emilio Peroni as part of its "On the Verge" new music series, Wednesday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Carol A. Carter Recital Hall on the Statesboro Campus.

Peroni, a world-renowned performer known for his precision and technique, will perform a program of music from 20th and 21st-century Argentinian composers.

"With refined techniques and experiences from South America and Europe, Peroni is a treat to listen to," said Associate Professor and 'On the Verge' concert series founder Martin Gendelman, DMA. "He is equally at home playing an elegant piece of the European repertoire or tango, and moves between those worlds with remarkable ease."

Peroni has performed all across the world at major venues in the United States, South America, Europe and Asia, and has performed in concert with major orchestras as well.

The "On the Verge" new music series began in 2012 as a means to bring contemporary art music from the United States and abroad to Georgia Southern campuses and the Statesboro and Savannah communities.

Admission to the concert is free and open to the public.

For more information on the "On the Verge" series, visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu/cah/music/areas-2/composition/on-the-verge.

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