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Georgia Southern to host STEM camps this summer

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In June, the College of Education's (COE) Institute for STEM Education (i2STEMe), which fosters science, technology, engineering and math disciplines and outreach, will host two summer camps that offer middle and high school students the opportunity to expand their minds while having fun.

Eagle Expedition and GenCyber Junior Detectives are returning camps that the Institute has offered in the past and have been very popular with attendees.

"Summer camps with an education and learning focus allow students to get involved in areas they have an interest in but may not get a deep exposure to in school," said i2STEMe Coordinator Kania Greer, Ed.D. "These summer camps provide a different experience for students than a traditional camp."

Eagle Expedition will be held June 24-29 at the UGA Marine Education Center on Skidaway Island, Georgia. This unique marine science experience will offer students ages 13-18 the opportunity to learn aspects of oceanography, including marine life and the ecosystems through hands-on field experience. Activities include trawling to collect and catalog marine specimens, river kayaking and marsh transaction.

"Eagle Expedition takes students out of classroom and into the Savannah River," said Greer. "This camp allows students to spend a week on Skidaway Island and work with faculty and staff as they learn about coastal ecology and science while exploring the wonders of the Georgia coast."

On June 3-8, i2STEMe will offer middle school students the opportunity to explore the ever-evolving field of cybersecurity at the GenCyber Junior Detectives camp. A residential summer camp, participants will be housed on the Georgia Southern University Statesboro Campus while learning how to protect and defend the nation's internet from groups and individuals who seek to exploit information networks.

"Students learn about why cyber security is important, and what to do to protect themselves online, as the internet and technology are vital components in today's society," said Greer. "This camp takes place on the Statesboro Campus and students become Eagles for a week by living in the dorms, eating in the Dining Commons and engaging with faculty members from a variety of disciplines."

For more information about these upcoming summer camps, including full and partial scholarships for Eagle Expedition, visit GeorgiaSouthern.edu/coe/stem/summer-camps.

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Georgia Southern alumnus named administrator of new micro hospital

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Georgia Southern University alumnus Ben Anderson ('12) has been named the administrator/chief operating officer of the new micro-hospital being built by St. Joseph's/Candler Health System in Pooler, Georgia. The small-scale facility will offer a broad range of medical services to the community including primary, emergency room, outpatient and specialty care.

Anderson received his Master of Health Services Administration (MHSA) degree from Georgia Southern University Armstrong Campus in Savannah. While obtaining his graduate degree, Anderson began his career with St. Joseph's/Candler (SJC) as an intern, then transitioned into data analytics learning the financial operations of the hospital. He served in several capacities with SJC before his appointment as administrator of the SJC Pooler Campus. As the lead executive of the new small-scale hospital, his duties include operational forecasting and planning, determining which service lines to incorporate, maintaining and promoting strategic partnerships, financial planning and building relationships in the community.

"It is an honor to have the opportunity to make a mark in this area and help patients gain access to quality care, closer to home," stated Anderson. "Paul Hinchey, president and CEO of St. Joseph's/Candler, trusts in my abilities to be the face of the micro-hospital and to be such a large part of it is rewarding in itself."

"Anderson is a strong advocate and supporter of our Master of Health Administration (MHA) program and has served as a guest speaker for professional seminars, internship preceptor and currently serves as a member of the MHA Program Advisory Board," stated Joseph Crosby, Ph.D., professor of health sciences and MHA program coordinator for the School of Health Sciences and Kinesiology in the Waters College of Health Professions. Anderson is an active member of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) and is currently working on his ACHE Fellow status.

The Master of Health Administration program, previously known as the MHSA, at Georgia Southern University prepares a highly qualified, diverse group of students for increasingly responsible leadership roles in health administration across the continuum of the health industry. The program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education. Visit <http://chp.georgiasouthern.edu/hk/graduate/master-of-health-administration/> for more information.

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