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Georgia Southern ranked No. 1 in nation on Military Times' 2019 Best for Vets: Colleges list

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Military Times has ranked Georgia Southern University first in the nation on the prestigious 2019 Best for Vets: Four-Year Colleges list.

"We are extremely proud of the programs, services and University culture we have developed that provide service members, veterans and their families the opportunity to achieve their academic and professional goals," said Georgia Southern University Director of Military and Veterans Affairs Phil Gore. "Being recognized by *Military Times* as one of the best institutions for military-affiliated students demonstrates the level of commitment we have to providing our military population an optimal educational experience to ensure they complete their postsecondary degree."

Veterans and service members make up about 8 percent of the student body at Georgia Southern, constituting the largest proportion of any top 10 school in the four-year category.

Military Times surveyed hundreds of colleges across the country and used their answers, combined with federal data, to rank them in the areas of university culture, academic quality and outcomes, policies, student support and costs and financial aid to create the 2019 Best for Vets list.

"These are the top-finishing institutions that told us they offer bachelor's or graduate degrees or both," read the *Military Times'* statement. "To create the rankings, we evaluated colleges' survey responses based on what veterans have told us is important to them, as well as on our own editorial judgment. We also factored in data from the Veterans Affairs and Defense departments, as well as three Education Department sources. While the value of each section was comparable, university culture was worth the most in the survey for all schools."

Georgia Southern proudly welcomes all active-duty military, veterans, military spouses and family members. In addition to providing a supportive campus environment for military students, Georgia Southern is also part of a network of institutions that allows transferability of credits for military students, provides in-state tuition for members of the military and their families and offers college credit for military experience.

While all three of the University's campuses and online learning center cater to the military community, the Liberty Campus, located just outside of Fort Stewart in Hinesville, and the Armstrong Campus, which is within close proximity to Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah, have become the leading choices for service members and military spouses seeking a postsecondary education.

Georgia Southern's Armstrong Campus was included in the *Military Times'* top 12 rankings on the Best for Vets: Four-Year Colleges list during the last three years and was named to the 10 Best Cybersecurity Programs lists for the last two consecutive years.

For the full 2019 Best for Vets: Four-Year Colleges list rankings and survey methodology, visit <https://rebootcamp.militarytimes.com/news/education/2018/10/22/best-for-vets-colleges-the-best-schools-for-military-students-in-2019/>.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/Research institution founded in 1906, offers 141 degree programs serving more than 27,000 students through nine colleges on three campuses in Statesboro, Savannah, 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.

Georgia Southern to host Eagle Previews in Savannah, Statesboro, Hinesville

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Newly admitted and prospective students and their families can learn about Georgia Southern University during upcoming Eagle Previews, comprehensive admissions open-house events happening on the Statesboro, Armstrong and Liberty campuses.

Georgia Southern hosts these events to offer students and their families one-on-one access to representatives from the University's academic colleges, student services departments and the Office of Admissions. University leaders also host break-out sessions on admissions, housing, financial aid, leadership and community engagement, and more during these Eagle Previews.

At the Armstrong Campus in Savannah on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 8 a.m. to noon, students can tour the 268-acre arboretum campus, explore residential halls and campus facilities, and attend informative break-out sessions to learn more about unique campus offerings in addition to a variety of degree programs.

On Tuesday, Oct. 30, from 4 to 6 p.m., students can tour the Liberty Campus, a state-of-the-art facility that offers an intimate learning environment where local students can further their education.

These Eagle Previews will also provide an opportunity to learn more about the University's in-state tuition offerings to residents of South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, North Carolina and Tennessee on the Armstrong and Liberty campuses.

An Eagle Preview for Georgia Southern's Statesboro Campus will be held on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 8 a.m. to noon. Students can explore the 900-acre residential campus all while learning about the wide range of hands-on degree programs and student activities.

For more information or to register for these events, visit <https://admissions.georgiasouthern.edu/eaglepreview/>. Walk-ins are welcome on each campus.

Students interested in transferring to one of Georgia Southern's campuses can learn more during Transfer Visit Day on Oct. 26 from noon to 4 p.m. on the University's Statesboro Campus. Prospective and admitted transfer students are invited to join the Office of Admissions to learn more about transfer-specific information in areas such as admissions, financial aid, housing and student life on campus. Students will meet with the University's academic colleges to learn more about their intended major and the advisement process, take a campus tour with one of the University's elite Southern Ambassadors, and hear from a panel of current transfer students about their experiences at Georgia Southern.

Georgia Southern University was named a top four-year university on the Phi Theta Kappa's 2018 Transfer Honor Roll for creating pathways to support transfer students. Recognized on a list of only 112 colleges and universities in the nation, this marks the third consecutive year Georgia Southern has been placed on the Transfer Honor Roll.

More information about Transfer Visit Day is available at <https://admissions.georgiasouthern.edu/events-statesboro-campus/#trans>.

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