

Georgia Southern University Receives Funding for New Military Science Building

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Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal visited Georgia Southern on Monday to sign into law House Bill 744, a part of the 2015 Fiscal Year Budget, on the steps of the Marvin Pittman Administration Building on Sweetheart Circle, and announced the state budget included funding for a new military science building at Georgia Southern University.

"I'd like to talk specifically about some projects that I think are very close to you, which is the nine and a half million dollars in bonds for the new military science building here at Georgia Southern University," Deal announced in front of a crowd including cadets in the University's ROTC program. "For you ladies and gentleman who stand in the corps of cadets, we hope that you will find those funds used very appropriately."

In addition, Deal announced that students who receive the HOPE Scholarship can expect a 3 percent boost in monies offered at both the technical college and university level throughout the state of Georgia.

"We are overwhelmed with the tremendous amount of support our legislators and Gov. Deal has shown Georgia Southern over the past several years, and we are so thankful they recognize the importance of our military science program," said Brooks A Keel, Ph.D., president of Georgia Southern University. "The funding for a new military science building on campus, as well as the increase in funding of the HOPE Scholarship for our students and potential students, will help us continue our mission to educate and train the future workforce and leaders of Georgia and beyond."

Georgia state Senator Jack Hill, R-Reidsville; state Rep. Jan Tankersley, R-Brooklet; state Rep. Butch Parrish, R-Swainsboro; state Rep. Jon Burns, R-Newington; state Agriculture Commissioner Gary Black, and Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee state Rep. Terry England, R-Auburn, were also on hand to acknowledge the announcements.

Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University founded in 1906, offers 125 degree programs serving more than 20,500 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 approach to education.

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