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About Georgia Gwinnett College

Georgia Gwinnett College opened its doors to students on August 18, 2006 as the first new four-year public college created in Georgia in more than 100 years; furthermore it is the first new four-year public college created in the nation in the 21st century.

Location
1000 University Center Lane, Lawrenceville, GA 30043 678-407-5000 www.ggc.edu

GGC is located in Lawrenceville, Georgia, in the heart of Gwinnett County. Gwinnett County is a vibrant community 30 miles northeast of downtown Atlanta where a mixture of quiet postcard neighborhoods and bustling commercial districts blend the past with the present. Gwinnett County remains one of the most dynamic regions in the south to live and work with a current population of 859,304 and a population of 1.1 million projected by the year 2025.

Academic Programs 2013-14
Business Administration (B.B.A.) English (B.A.) Mathematics (B.S.)
Biology (B.S.) Exercise Science (B.S.) Nursing (B.S.N.)
Criminal Justice/Criminology (B.S.) History (B.A.) Political Science (B.A.)
Early Childhood Ed. (B.S.Ed.) Information Technology (B.S.) Psychology (B.S.)
Special Education (B.S.Ed.)

Students and Enrollment: Fall 2013
Enrollment: 9719   FTE: 8752

Faculty: Fall 2013
Instructional Faculty: 533   Full-time: 344   College Employees: 891
Faculty FTE: 413   Student to Faculty Ratio (by FTE) of Fall 2011: 21.2:1

Finance: FY 2014
Total revenue exceeded $110 million, including $39.8 million from state appropriations. Nearly 38% of total operational expenditures (approximately $110 million) accounted for instruction.

Tuition and Fees 2013-14

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<th>New and Existing Students</th>
<th>In-state</th>
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<td>Incoming freshmen and Transfer students</td>
<td>$115.40</td>
<td>$430.67</td>
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<td>Flat Rate Tuition 15 credits and over</td>
<td>$1731</td>
<td>$6460</td>
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<td>Activity Fee: $55</td>
<td>Health Fee: $25</td>
<td>Parking Fee: $100</td>
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<td>Athletic Fee: $160</td>
<td>Health &amp; Wellness: $70</td>
<td>Student Center: $105</td>
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<td>Campus Infrastructure &amp; Improvement Fee: $35</td>
<td>Institutional Fee: $245</td>
<td>Technology Fee: $40</td>
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All fees listed refer to the maximum charge.

Source: Georgia Gwinnett College 2013-2014 Catalog
Directions to the Campus

**From Atlanta:** Take I-85 North for 24 miles to Highway 316/University Parkway. Travel 6.6 miles and turn left at the first traffic light (Collins Hill Road). Travel 0.2 miles on Collins Hill Rd. and turn left into the Campus East Entrance. The Admissions office is in the first building on the right.

**From Duluth:** From downtown Duluth, travel East on Duluth Hwy (120) for 4.3 miles. Turn right onto Sugarloaf Parkway and continue to Highway 316 (1.4 miles). Exit left onto Highway 316 East towards Athens. Travel four miles and turn left at the first traffic light (Collins Hill Road). Travel 0.2 miles on Collins Hill Rd. and turn left into the Campus East Entrance.

**From Snellville:** Take Highway 124 S.W. (approx. 6.5 miles) into Lawrenceville. Follow the signs to Highway 316. Turn left onto Highway 316. Travel 0.8 miles to the first intersection, Collins Hill Road and turn right. Turn right onto Collins Hill Road. Travel 0.2 miles on Collins Hill Rd. and turn left into the Campus East Entrance. The Admissions office is in the first building on the right.

**From Greenville:** Take I-85 South to Exit 115. Exit onto Highway 20. Merge into the right lane, traveling eastbound towards Lawrenceville. Follow Highway 20 to Russell Road (4.7 miles) and turn right. Travel 1.6 miles and turn left onto Collins Hill Road. Travel 1.8 miles to University Center Lane and turn right into the Georgia Gwinnett College campus.

*Source: www.ggc.edu 9/4/2010*
Vision

Georgia Gwinnett College will be a premier 21st Century Liberal Arts college where learning will take place continuously in and beyond the confines of the traditional classroom. Its cornerstones will be innovative use of educational technology and a commitment to an integrated educational experience that develops the whole person. Georgia Gwinnett College will be a wellspring of educational innovation. It will be a dynamic learning community where faculty engagement in teaching and mentoring students will be the hallmark. It will be a driving force for change in student success. As such, it will be a model for innovative approaches to education, faculty engagement with students and highly efficient student, facility and administrative services.

Mission

Georgia Gwinnett College provides access to targeted baccalaureate level degrees that meet the economic development needs of the growing and diverse population of the northeast Atlanta metropolitan region. It emphasizes the innovative use of technology and active-learning environments to provide students enhanced learning experiences, practical opportunities to apply knowledge, increased scheduling flexibility and a variety of course delivery options. Georgia Gwinnett College’s outstanding faculty and staff actively engage students in various learning environments serve as mentors and advisors and assist students through programs designed to enhance their academic, social and personal development. Georgia Gwinnett College produces contributing citizens and future leaders for Georgia and the nation. Its graduates are inspired to contribute to the local, state, national and international communities and are prepared to anticipate and respond effectively to an uncertain and changing world.

Operating Principles

Georgia Gwinnett College is committed to:

- Continuous review, assessment, change and experimentation
- Holistic development of students
- Building partnerships with its business and community constituents
- Developing a workforce of highly competent teachers and staff who are also action oriented and innovative
- Innovatively integrating technology into educational experiences
- Diversity and building a multicultural environment to prepare students to succeed in a global society
- Being the community of choice to work for faculty, administrators and staff
- Providing a supportive work environment that encompasses involvement, open communications, a spirit of collegiality and an appropriate reward system
History

Georgia Gwinnett College opened its doors on August 18, 2006, as the nation’s first four-year public college founded in the 21st century and the first four-year public institution created in Georgia in more than 100 years.

In October of 2004, the University System of Georgia Board of Regents voted to create a new four-year college in Gwinnett County. The new college would inhabit the Gwinnett University Center campus and replace the four institutions then offering courses on the site.

In March of 2005, the Georgia General Assembly passed Senate Resolution 33, authored by Sen. Don Balfour, establishing a new college in Gwinnett County. That same year, Gov. Sonny Perdue deferred a $5 million appropriation in the 2006 state budget for a 29,000 square-foot classroom building. In September of 2005, the Board of Regents hired Dr. Daniel J. Kaufman, a retired Army brigadier general, as the College’s inaugural president. A month later, the Regents voted to name the institution, “Georgia Gwinnett College.”

In 2006, Georgia Gwinnett College welcomed 118 juniors as its first students, and in 2007, its first freshman class. In 2008, the College held its inaugural commencement ceremony, graduating 17 students. In January of 2009, GGC held its first winter graduation ceremony, and that spring, it graduated 38 students. It added a summer commencement ceremony in 2013.

In June 2009, the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools granted Georgia Gwinnett its initial accreditation in record time, giving the college the ability to apply for research grants and awards from foundations for students and faculty members, and expand its degree programs. When the doors opened for fall semester 2009, more than 3,000 students were on campus.

In the summer of 2010, GGC celebrated the opening of its new Library and Learning Center and its first student residence halls, transforming the commuter college into a residential campus. More than 5,300 students enrolled for the 2010 fall semester. The new GGC Student Center opened in January 2011. A new laboratory building opened in August 2011 to serve the college’s dramatically expanding enrollment, which reached 9,400 in fall 2012.

The 2012-13 academic year was the Grizzlies’ first season of official intercollegiate competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, and marked the completion of the varsity athletics facilities. In early 2013, the college broke ground on its Allied Health and Sciences Building, future home of the School of Science and Technology, the newly formed School of Health Sciences and its nursing program. The building will open for the fall 2014 semester.

President Kaufman departed GGC for the presidency of the Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce as of July 1, 2013 and Dr. Stanley “Stas” Preczewski, formerly vice president for Academic and Student Affairs, served as interim president for about a year before being named president in May of 2014.

With almost 10,000 students on campus during the fall of 2013, GGC was ranked the #5 top Southern regional public college by U.S. News & World Report magazine. It is also a College of Distinction and was designated military-friendly by multiple service member organizations.

Source: Georgia Gwinnett College 2014-2015 Catalog
Institutional Highlights and Achievements 2013-14

Gwinnett community honors GGC’s Kaufman with scholarship fund. (July 1, 2013).

Student Michael Menelas becomes the first Georgia Gwinnett College cadet to be appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. (July 1, 2013)

GGC continues to be a driving force in local economy, contributing nearly $296 million in economic growth, according to an annual study of the University System of Georgia’s (USG) economic impact on the state. (July 11, 2013).

Dr. Jessica Damián, associate professor of English, is the first GGC faculty member to be named a Chawton House Library (CHL) Visiting Fellow in partnership with the Faculty of Humanities at the University of Southampton in the United Kingdom. (July 12, 2013).

GGC nursing program gets green light from Board of Nursing. The Georgia Board of Nursing has approved the development of Georgia Gwinnett College’s baccalaureate program in nursing. (July 25, 2013)

GGC’s Pinder receives national honor. Dr. Anthony L. Pinder, Georgia Gwinnett College’s director of Internationalization, recently received the Sigma Iota Rho Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award. (July 25, 2013)

GGC holds its first summer commencement, August 6, 2013.

Georgia Gwinnett College welcomed nearly 10,000 students to campus for the first day of classes for the 2013 fall semester. This is the first time GGC’s enrollment has topped 10,000. (August 19, 2013)

Georgia Gwinnett selected to host 2014 A.I.I. softball tournament (August 22, 2013)

GGC named #5 top Southern public regional college. Georgia Gwinnett College has risen from obscurity to the fifth highest-ranked Southern public regional college, according to results released by U.S. News & World Report magazine (September 10, 2013)

GGC’s Pennington wins USG Board of Regents’ Teaching Excellence Award. (September 19, 2013)

Georgia Gwinnett College was named a military-friendly institution by two different service member organizations. Victory Media, KMI Media Group, and the Military Advanced Education journal gave GGC high marks in servicing military veterans. (October 15, 2013)

GGC Men’s Soccer Wins A.I.I Tournament (November 17, 2013)
Midfielder Enang Named GGC’s First NAIA All-American. Georgia Gwinnett men’s soccer player Rene Enang has been named the college’s first National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American. (December 11, 2013)

GGC selected as a new Peace Corps Partner. (February 7, 2014)

GGC awarded national grant to help recruit, retain women in technology will support “boot camp” program for 24 rising female IT sophomores. (March 7, 2014)

Women’s tennis claims Georgia Gwinnett’s first-ever #1 ranking (March 19, 2014)

Lawrenceville Police Benevolent Fund endows GGC criminal justice scholarship (March 19, 2014)

GGC students receive regional, national recognition in IT. Students take top honors in IT competitions, included on provisional patent application. (April 11, 2014)


GGC to begin offering chemistry major. Following the approval by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents, Georgia Gwinnett College will offer a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry. The program will begin accepting students in the fall 2014. (May 20, 2014)

Preczewski named president of GGC. The USG Board of Regents announced that Dr. Stanley “Stas” Preczewski has been appointed president of Georgia Gwinnett College. Preczewski has served as interim president for the last year. (May 20, 2014)

GGC biology professor Dr. David Barnes wins lifetime achievement award. (June 12, 2014)

GGC accreditation reaffirmed. The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) Board of Trustees reaffirmed Georgia Gwinnett College’s 10-year accreditation. (June 23, 2014)

Shumates make GGC’s Advising Center possible. A significant gift of $250,000 from Greg and Tammy Shumate enabled Georgia Gwinnett College and its School of Transitional Studies to recently open a much-needed Advising Center. The center served 1,071 students in its first year. (June 27, 2014)

* The press release date is provided in parenthesis.

Source: GGC News Archives
Programs of Study 2013-14

Majors/Concentrations

School of Business
- Business Administration (B.B.A.)

School of Education
- Early Childhood Education (B.S.)
- Special Education (B.S.)

School of Health Sciences
- Nursing (B.S.N.)

School of Liberal Arts
- Criminal Justice/Criminology (B.S.)*
- English (B.A.)
  Interdisciplinary Studies, Language and Literature, Teacher Certification, Writing and Rhetoric
- History (B.A.)
  Interdisciplinary Studies, Teacher Certification, United States History, Western Civilization, World History
- Political Science (B.A.)
  American Government, Comparative Politics, International Relations, Legal Studies, Teacher Certification
- Psychology (B.S.)

School of Science and Technology
- Biology (B.S.)
  Biochemistry, Cell Biology and Biotechnology, General Biology, Teacher Certification
- Exercise Science (B.S.)
  Clinical Concentration, Wellness Promotion
- Information Technology Major (B.S.)
- Mathematics (B.S)
  Applied Math, Pure Math, Teacher Certification

Minors
- Business Administration for Non-business Majors
- Criminal Justice/Criminology
- English
- History
- Information Technology Major
- Leadership
- Political Science
  * All concentrations of Criminal Justice/Criminology in 2013-14.
  **Business Concentration is renamed as ‘Enterprise Systems’ in 2012-13.

Source: The Office of Associate Provost for Academic Affairs, GGC 2013-14 Catalog, GGC Curriculum Committee