Resources Available On and Off Campus

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Resources Available On Campus

Diversity Peer Educators: offered through the Multicultural Student Center

*Our mission, as Diversity Peer Educators, is to increase awareness, knowledge and skills necessary to create change and engage in helpful conversations about diversity, inclusion and fairness.*

Students can apply to be Diversity Peer Educators online at this link:


Holi Festival of Colors

Translated as the “Festival of Colors,” Holi is a traditional holiday celebrated by Hindus and Sikhs. Holi Festival has an ancient origin and celebrates the triumph of good over bad. It is a socio-cultural festival during which a wide range of colors are smeared over each other as a mark of love and belonging, and to welcome the spring season.

-more details about this event will be posted soon

Here is a link to a video about the event:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_lswesF6LCA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_lswesF6LCA)

Minority Advisement Program (MAP)

The Minority Advisement Program (MAP) is a unique college mentoring/success program for minority incoming students (a.k.a. MAPees) that match freshmen and transfer students with upperclassmen to assist with their acclimation to college life. The program helps students make the transition from either high school or from another college to Georgia Southern as smoothly as possible. MAPees join a small group led by a competitively-selected, trained, upperclassmen student (MAP Sponsor). The Sponsor serves as a mentor and a friend, guiding participants by making them aware of campus resources and opportunities, encouraging academic success, and arranging social gatherings. MAP friendships enhance the Georgia Southern experience and deepen the commitment to scholarship and success. MAP Sponsors and mentees are matched according to academic major; undecided majors work with MAP Sponsors who help them explore their academic and career options.

Here is a link to become a mentee in this program:

[https://docs.google.com/a/georgiasouthern.edu/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSda5vaxkOopdXV8HVOH0kPYc1zTUHjCvOntju4z9AWvSWdiZQ/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/a/georgiasouthern.edu/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSda5vaxkOopdXV8HVOH0kPYc1zTUHjCvOntju4z9AWvSWdiZQ/viewform?c=0&w=1)

Students can submit a Bias Incident Report:


Students can also submit a report in person:

Go directly to the Dean of Students Office located on the 2nd floor of the Russell Union or call the Dean of Students Office at (912) 478-3326.
**Students can become a member of the Multicultural Student Organizations or Multicultural Student Council:**

Multicultural Student Organizations:

Out-of-class learning and growth experiences involve participation in student organizations. Georgia Southern University boasts over 200 clubs and organizations. As part of these 200 some odd organizations, there are around 20 or more clubs/organizations that focus on multicultural interest. Whether you are interested in Greek Life, service organizations or one of our umbrella groups such as Black Student Alliance or the United Caribbean Association, the possibilities are numerous.

To view a complete list of Multicultural Student Organization at Georgia Southern University, please go to [https://georgiasouthern.collegiatelink.net/organizations?SearchValue=Multicultural%20&SearchType=Category&CurrentPage=1&SelectedCategoryId=4496](https://georgiasouthern.collegiatelink.net/organizations?SearchValue=Multicultural%20&SearchType=Category&CurrentPage=1&SelectedCategoryId=4496)

Multicultural Advisement Council (MAC):

The Minority Advisory Council will serve as an advocate for cultural student organizations at Georgia Southern University. We will create a strong network of support for each other and the Multicultural Center as well as promoting various events and services offered by the Multicultural Center and Minority Advisory Council. The Council will strive to create collaborative programming that educates our campus community about cultural diversity and multiculturalism. The core of the council is comprised of student leaders from the cultural organizations on campus.

**The Equal Opportunity & Title IX Office**

Located in the Rosenwald Building, Room 1066; Phone: 912.478.5136
Website: [http://president.georgiasouthern.edu/diversity/](http://president.georgiasouthern.edu/diversity/)


**Safe Space**

SAFE SPACE is a campus-wide initiative offering a visible message of inclusion, acceptance, and support to [gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ)](http://president.georgiasouthern.edu/diversity/policy-and-procedures/aa-and-eeo-policy-revised/) individuals in the university community. The program offers participants an interactive three and a half hour orientation to raise awareness and knowledge of LGBTQ issues and to suggest ways to serve as an Ally to LGBTQ individuals. Following the orientation, participants receive a SAFE SPACE decal to display in their work or living space.

**Sexual Assault Student Educators**

(formerly known as the Sexual Assault Prevention Advocates) is a student organization at Georgia Southern University whose mission is to promote discussion among peers regarding the issues of sexual violence. The main goal of these discussions is to increase awareness and sensitivity regarding sexual assault, improve communication between women and men around sexual issues, to educate students about sexual assault risk factors, and to reduce the incidence of sexual violence.
Beloved Community
Mission Statement: “This organization is engaged in and/or endorses projects to move Statesboro toward becoming The Beloved Community. Like us to keep up with us!”
https://www.facebook.com/Beloved-Community-Boro-Version-636490583172747/about/
- The beloved community is an ideal proposed by Dr. Martin Luther King for a healthy society. Basically, it’s a community driven by justice and human decency, where discrimination is looked at with spite, and communal issues (like poverty) will be taken care of. It is a goal that is simultaneously a social justice movement as well as an economic movement. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/jeffrey-riterman/the-beloved-community-dr-b_4583249.html

Boys and Girls Club of Bulloch County
The Boys and Girls Club of Bulloch County (BGBC) has been in operation for ten years and enjoys a central facility on Denmark Street in Statesboro. The mission is “to inspire and enable all young people to reach their full potential as responsible, caring and productive citizens.” The program serves low-income families, leveraging grants and donations to provide after-school care that is markedly less expensive than fee-based programs. Programming includes: education and career development; character development and leadership; health and life skills; the arts; and sports and recreation.
Web Address: www.bgcbulloch.org Phone: (912)764-9696
To donate or volunteer contact: Mike Jones, mjones@bgcbulloch.org
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

Bulloch County Accountability/Treatment Court
This is a voluntary mental health court program available to individuals with pending criminal charges. The two-year program provides participants with an alternative to prison. The program is intended to help eligible adults better manage their mental health diagnosis and improve their ability to function within, and contribute to, our community, while avoiding future interactions with the justice system.
Phone: (912)764.0181
To donate or volunteer contact: Karen McClain, Kmcclain@bullochcounty.net
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)
CASA’s mission is to recruit a qualified, compassionate adult who will fight for and protect each vulnerable child’s right to be safe, to be treated with dignity and respect, and to learn and grow in the safe embrace of a loving family. Volunteers are asked to make a one year commitment to the program. The volunteer visits the home and meets with the child individually at least once each month, and meets with birth parents and grandparents, foster parents, school personnel, physicians, psychologists and any other adults integral to that child’s life in order to determine what outcome is in the child’s best interest and makes those recommendations to the court.
Web Address: www.casaogeechee.org Phone: (912)489-4134
To donate or volunteer contact: Lainie Jenkins, joincasa@gmail.com
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/
Fostering Families
The mission of Fostering Families is to share the love of Christ with children in a crisis situation, in real and tactile ways. The organization primarily serves children in foster care or involved in Child Protective Services (CPS) investigations, and works in coordination with the Department of Family and Children’s Services (DFCS)). Volunteer seek to match resources such as transportation, auto repair, children’s clothing, food, twin beds and mattresses, refrigerators, fun and entertainment, and even home building with children’s needs and the immediate needs of their families.

Web Address: www.facebook.com/fostering.bulloch?fref=ts Phone: (912) 690-2498
To donate or volunteer contact: Chris Yaughn, fosteringbulloch@aol.com
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

Gay Straight Alliance of Georgia Southern
Mission Statement: “The GSA of Georgia Southern exists to provide a safe space for all GSM (LGBTQ+) students.” https://www.facebook.com/gsaofgsu/
• Meetings every Monday
• Also hosts many different events that can be kept up with on their Facebook page.

Georgia Legal Services
GLSP offers free legal services in civil cases to low-income residents of Georgia. It is a non-profit law firm. The Savannah office serves Savannah and surrounding counties. They are Bryan, Bulloch, Candler, Chatham, Effingham, Emanuel, Evans, Liberty, Long, Tattnal, and Toombs.
• Special consideration is made to victims of domestic violence and elderly/disabled individuals.
• GLSP seeks to assure that low-income people have access to justice and opportunities out of poverty. We stand by that mission everyday as we work with our clients to assure them the best service possible.

Web Address: www.glsp.org Phone: (912)651.2283 X 2184 and X 2752
To donate or volunteer contact
Ruth Ann Dutton, rdutton@glsp.org
Heidi Behnke, hbehnke@glsp.org
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

Hearts and Hands Clinic
The mission of The Hearts and Hands Clinic is to provide access to primary health care to uninsured Bulloch County adult residents who live at 200% or below the poverty guidelines. The clinic offers medical, vision and dental services to these qualified residents. The services are provided by primary doctors, dentists and nurse practitioners who regularly volunteer their time and skill. Four specialists: a podiatrist, an ENT, a cardiologist and a gastroenterologist also provide services to the clients. Medications are prescribed as needed.

Web Address: Phone: (912) 681-9519
To donate or volunteer contact: Kara Holland, theheartsandhandsclinic@gmail.com
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencyinformation/#Ferst
Migrant Education Program
The Migrant Education Program (MEP) is a federally funded program designed to support comprehensive educational support for migrant children to help reduce the educational disruption and other problems that result from repeated moves. This regional office supports these districts by assisting with program planning and implementation, program evaluation, social services information, identification and recruitment of migrant children and youth, and professional development.

Web Address: www.gadoe.org/School-Improvement/Federal-Programs/Pages/Migrant-Education-Program
Phone: (404) 272-8762
To donate or volunteer contact: Margarita Munoz, MMunoz@doe.k12.ga.us http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

NAACP Bulloch County
Mission Statement: “Address discrimination in the private sector, concentrating on the hindrances blacks have experienced to economic opportunities.”
Web Address: http://statesboro.naacp-ga.org/

Safe Haven: Women’s Shelter
Mission Statement: “To serve adult and child victims of domestic violence in Bulloch, Candler, Effingham, Jenkins, Screven, and Washington counties.”

- Safe Haven is dedicated to serving, strengthening, and supporting victims of domestic violence through the provision of emergency and community-based services. Safe Haven offers emergency and transitional shelter. There is an afterschool program provided for the children so that they have supervision while parents are at work. They complete homework, enjoy a snack and play with other children who can relate to one another’s situations.
- Services provided to clients include assistance finding employment, transportation to work, cooking classes, life skills, access to donated clothing and furnishings and financial counseling.

Web Address: www.safehavenstatesboro.org
Phone: (912)764-4605/1-800-33-HAVEN
To donate or volunteer contact
Debbie Vives, safehaven@nctv.com
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

Statesboro Sexual Assault Center
Mission Statement: “We focus on the victims of sexual assault and their recovery”. “We strive to ensure that no victim of sexual assault goes unheard in a community that understand the impact of sexual violence on its members” http://www.srsac.org/mission-statement

- Contact: 1-866-489-2225, 18 North College Street, Statesboro, GA.
- You can donate, and get involved as a volunteer or in an internship http://www.srsac.org/

To donate or volunteer contact: Christie Perry, srsac@frontiernet.net Phone: (912)489-6060 ; Crisis Line: (866)489-2225
- Additional information from http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agency/
  o The mission of the Statesboro Regional Sexual Assault Center (SRSAC) is to provide free expert support services to victims of sexual assault. The SRSAC works in collaboration with
local law enforcement and the Georgia Southern Sexual Assault Response Team. Since its founding in 2007, the Center has provided victims of sexual assault a 24-hour crisis hot line, free physical exams, an advocate to offer explanations of available legal options, and assistance in finding safe, secure shelter. The SRSAC also provides educational programs to prevent relationship violence and sexual assault.

http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

**Trinity Episcopal Church**
Mission Statement: “Trinity is a vibrant, growing, diverse, multigenerational congregation with strong ties to our neighboring Georgia Southern University community…”

http://www.trinitystatesboro.org/
• A welcoming church for LGBT+ individuals

**Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**
Mission Statement: As a welcoming congregation, we work and worship together to become people of open minds, loving hearts, and helping hands. We honor the transformative power of love in our individual lives and broader communities.
• Contact: Rev. Jane Page Phone: 912.682.3566 Email: revjanepage@gmail.com
• Location: Off Veteran’s Memorial Bypass - 6762 Cypress Lake Road

**United Way of Southeast Georgia**
The United Way of Southeast Georgia is a volunteer driven fund-raising organization that addresses a broad spectrum of community issues that occur in our diverse community. We are a team that is dedicated to positively impacting lives in the community and advocating for changes for the people of the community through its fundraising activities for 17 local agencies. Some of the needs met include providing after school care, replacement clothing or household items for fire victims, materials for students enrolled in drug education classes, meals for the elderly and food for families experiencing loss of income

Web Address: Unitedwaysega.org Phone: (912)489-8475
To donate or volunteer contact: Bob Oliff, bolliff@unitedwaysega.org
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/

**You-Nique Leadership Academy**
Purpose: Community based outreach program geared toward building self-esteem in young females, ages five to ten year old. The follow-up process is to be continued throughout middle school, high school, higher education, careers and survival skills in order for them to become productive citizens in our society.
• Goals: Promote Cultural Awareness, promote positive self-esteem, promote self-reliance and independence, teach critical thinking skills

Web Address: www.facebook.com/youniqueleadershipacademy
Phone: (912) 618.0353
To donate or volunteer contact: Joyce Simmons, jsimmons@bulloch.k12.ga.us
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/LeadServe/agencylist/