



MOVING OUT!

You must check out 24 hours after your last final. Also, you must sign up with your RA 48 hours in advance of leaving. Check-out is mandatory! Things you should keep in mind include:



- Sign out sheets should be located on your RAs' door. If not, please see your RA for more details.
- If for some reason your RA is not available, please wait a short while in case he/she has been detained.
- If you do not sign up for a specific time, you will have to wait until a staff member is available to work with you.
- If he/she does not appear available, locate another staff member to perform the check-out procedure with you.
- In the event that you are unable to locate another staff member, please seek out your Building Director in your Hall Office for assistance.
- **Do not leave without checking out!** It is your responsibility to check out properly.

For more information, please contact the University Housing office at 681-5406.

Looking for a Summer Job

The process of looking for a summer job or internship can never begin too early. Acquiring a good summer job or internship takes a lot of time, research, and planning. The purpose of this guide is to assist you in getting the summer experience that you really want.

Choose a field of work:

If you have no idea what really interests you, you may want to begin by looking through the "Fields of Employment" section of this guide. If many of the jobs in the listings interest you, one way to narrow your focus is to ask yourself the following:

What am I really interested in?

Do I want to use this time for career related experience or just for fun?

Do I want to live at home or near school? Do I want to travel and be independent? How much money do I need to make?

How much time (weeks, hours, days) do I want to work?

Research:

Research is a very important part of this process. Not only will researching a prospective employer provide you with background information on that organization, but it will also help prepare you for an interview. Networking & Informational Interviews are another excellent way to research a company. Getting your name out there will help in any job search, and informational interviews provide practice talking with strangers about your career goals

Write a resume and cover letter:

Because cover letters and resumes are an extremely important part of any job search (summer, full-time, part-time or internships), we strongly recommend that you pick up a copy of How to Write a Resume and How to Write a Cover Letter in Career Services. These guides give you detailed, step by step instructions to help you create the best cover letters and resumes possible.

Prepare for and schedule interviews:

Although interviews are not always a requirement for summer employment, they are an excellent way to reiterate your qualifications for the job. Be prepared to explain how your past and present experiences positively relate to the position you are seeking. Effective ways to prepare for an interview include reading How to Interview Successfully and scheduling a practice videotaped interview with a career counselor. After an interview, you should send the interviewer a "thank-you" note. Not only is this a nice gesture, but it will also reassure the employer that you are still interested in the position. Most importantly it will reinforce the employer's memory of your interview.



Events on Campus

May 2 and 3

Club Mud: Annual Club Mud exhibition and sale

Students work including ceramics, printmaking and jewelry will be on sale. Sculpture and Ceramics Studio on Forest Drive. Hours for May 1 and 2 are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. May 3 hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



May 5-9

Art Exhibition - "Blueprints"

Artwork will vary in scope and media from abstract drawings to mixed-media sculptures, figurative and minimalist ceramic pieces, interactive jewelry and figurative paintings. Center for Art and Theatre.



Commencement Spring 2008

Class of '08

More than 2,300 students will participate during the University's spring commencement exercises to be held at 9 a.m. on May 10th in Allen E. Paulson Stadium. Georgia's U.S. Senator Johnny Isakson will address the graduates and their guests. On that morning, Statesboro listeners can tune to WVGS 91.9 FM for traffic updates and ongoing commencement coverage. More information about the event is available at www.georgiasouthern.edu/commencement. In case of rain, commencement exercises will be moved to Hanner Fieldhouse, with ceremonies at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.



The University's candidates for graduation represent the accomplishments of seven colleges and one academic program. They include 29 doctoral degree candidates, 361 master's degree candidates and 2,003 bachelor's degree candidates. Among the Spring 2008 graduates, more than 32 countries and 26 states are represented; however, 91.5 percent of those graduating are native Georgians. The youngest undergraduate is 18 years old, and the oldest graduate this year is 69. The average age for the graduating class is 25.

Congratulations to all of those who are graduating!!!

Tips for Surviving Finals Week

1. Don't panic (make too much of the final).

The first thing you should do is to check what the final is worth in each course. Remember, it is only one component of your final grade. If it is worth 20% or less, you probably won't be able to bring your final grade up or down by more than one grade level (e.g., B to B+), unless you perform extremely better or worse than you have on other exams and assignments during the semester.

2. Don't be too relaxed (make too little of the final).

On the other hand, you should try to do as well on the final as you possibly can. Furthermore, sometimes the final is a big part of your final grade (30% or more), in which case it is more likely to make a significant difference in your final average. It is better not to go into the final with the idea, "I just need to get x number of points to keep my B (or whatever it is) average." It may not be possible to calculate this accurately anyway, since teachers sometimes compute things like participation grades at the very end.

3. Make time for "renewing" activities.

This is NOT the time to stop exercising or doing other things that you find enjoyable. You will study more effectively if you spread things out and take breaks. But watch the proportions here. Beware of doing 15 minutes of studying followed by a two-hour break to play a video game!

4. Use an effective study method.

The key to effective retention is repetition, and not overloading your brain (it can only absorb so much in an hour). Whatever you do, don't do it all in one long cramming session.

5. Get enough sleep. Don't pull "all nighters."

You will do better if you are rested, and cramming often leads to a superficial and confused knowledge of the material you have studied. There is a reason why sleep deprivation is used as torture. Failure to follow #4 and 5 can lead to writing nonsense on exams.

6. Resist the urge to party on "off" days.

Instead, if you have a break in your exam schedule, use it to get a head start on the exams coming up. This can be a time to catch up on missed reading, or to complete Step 1 of "Immediate Preparation" in my study method. REMEMBER: if you party, you will need to recover! And research has shown that people who engage in high-risk drinking deaden their cognitive skills (ability to recall and organize information, etc.)

7. Arrive on time for the exam.

Be especially careful about setting your alarm the night before. Save yourself the anxiety and embarrassment of arriving late. Needless to say, you may also need every minute of the exam period to finish the exam.

8. Don't worry about others finishing earlier than you.

This could mean ANYTHING. It often means these students have written a mediocre or poor exam. Take the time YOU need.

