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THE COLLEGE

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THE VISION AND MISSION OF SOUTH GEORGIA COLLEGE

VISION

To lead in providing a student-centered environment that produces life-long learners who will succeed in a global society, and to serve as an economic development catalyst for the region.

MISSION

South Georgia College is a four-year residential institution that serves the educational, social, and economic development of the region by providing accessible, high quality, student-centered associate degrees and a limited number of baccalaureate degree programs. Through close collaboration with faculty and staff, students are engaged in educational opportunities that empower them for success in a sustainable global society. South Georgia College prepares students to think critically, communicate proficiently, and act responsibly as civic-minded, environmentally conscious citizens.

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HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

Agricultural and Mechanical (A&M) schools were forerunners of many of Georgia's University System schools. Founded in 1906 as the Eleventh District A&M School, South Georgia College is recognized as the oldest publicly supported two-year college in Georgia and has a long and distinguished history, rich in the tradition of serving the people of the Southeast.

For two decades the Eleventh District A&M School set the pace for the growing number of high schools in the area. In 1927 the Georgia legislature passed a bill elevating the A&M school to junior college status.

In 1932, by legislative enactment, this College and other state-supported institutions of higher learning in Georgia were organized into the University System of Georgia and placed under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents. As a unit of the University System, South Georgia College continued its two-year curriculum and adopted its present name in 1937. In 2011 the Board of Regents approved a mission and sector change for the institution, making SGC a State College authorized to offer a limited number of bachelor's degrees.

The original SGC campus, including three buildings constructed in 1907-08, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2010. Now a thriving center for learning, the 190-acre Douglas campus has grown to include approximately 20 academic buildings and numerous athletic facilities.

The Clower Student Center, housed in SGC's 1930s gymnasium, has won numerous awards from the state for historic preservation. The SGC Wellness Center boasts a junior Olympic-sized indoor swimming pool, a basketball gym, and weight-lifting room. Most recently, double-digit enrollment growth has propelled renovation to create a new Dining Hall with space for a collegiate store, a coffee shop, and convenience store. One of the few two-year institutions with campus housing, SGC has constructed two contemporary residence halls in recent years, known as Tiger Village I and Tiger Village II. Outdoor facilities include a baseball stadium, a nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, and fields for softball and soccer.

South Georgia College has a highly regarded academic and athletic heritage. With 23 degree programs, SGC was recently selected as one of only eight sites in the United States by the Carnegie Foundation to pilot the Quantway math curriculum. SGC's athletic program has won over a dozen state titles in baseball, softball, soccer, golf, and cross country.

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LOCATION

South Georgia College is located in the southeastern Georgia city of Douglas, a warm and friendly community with a growing population of some 11,000 citizens. The center of the city is within walking distance from the campus and many shops and restaurants border the campus. The climate in Douglas is moderate year round.

Geographically, South Georgia College is situated near the Georgia coast. It is 90 miles west of Brunswick and the Golden Isles, 150 miles northeast of the Gulf of Mexico, 120 miles northwest of Jacksonville, Florida, and 200 miles south of Atlanta.

South Georgia College is easily accessible via U.S. Highways 221 and 441 and Georgia Highways 32, 135, and 158. Interstates I-16, I-75, and I-95 service southeast Georgia.

A unique feature of South Georgia College is its location in the heart of the south Georgia outdoor recreation area. Within a 30-mile radius, one can experience the finest in fishing, hunting, camping, canoeing, and waterskiing. The campus is also in close proximity to four major rivers, the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, and four wildlife management reservations. In addition, the Atlantic Ocean with its beautiful beaches is only 90 minutes away.