

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1 Refine and implement strategies to recruit and enroll diverse, high-achieving students.

Major Initiatives:

1. Refine the admissions process for both freshmen and walk-ons.
2. Develop and implement specific recruitment plans for high school sophomores and juniors.
3. Increase the number of Presidential Scholars and other merit and performance-based scholarships through private support.
4. Promote the value of the Honors College experience on campus and in the community as well as nationally and internationally.

2 Develop comprehensive and innovative educational opportunities.

Major Initiatives:

1. Foster and strengthen the partnerships with academic departments across all colleges and key administrative units. Work with academic departments to offer sufficient course options in the core and in majors so more students can earn Honors College distinctions.
2. Enhance undergraduate research and publishing opportunities.
3. Create signature experiential-learning opportunities in Atlanta, across the nation, and around the globe.
4. Identify and mentor candidates for prestigious national scholarships.
5. Seek additional private and external funding to provide support for STEM scholars.

3 Expand global experiences for Honors College students.

Major Initiatives:

1. Collaborate with partners in the five GSU target countries and with companies providing international co-operative opportunities to increase the number of global experience programs.
2. Collaborate with university partners to increase global experiences and competencies.
3. Identify faculty conducting international research and encourage them to mentor Honors College students and involve them in their research.
4. Increase the number of Honors College students enrolling in Global Perspectives courses.
5. Increase need-based and merit-based financial support for study abroad experiences.

4 Develop the infrastructure to support the Honors College and its strategic plan.

Major Initiatives:

1. Conduct an organizational needs-assessment study, which will include a review of the best practices of aspirant Honors Colleges and an assessment of the characteristics, according to the National Collegiate Honors Council, of fully developed Honors Colleges.
2. Use the needs-assessment review to create an organizational structure to support an Honors College enrollment that increases in concert with the university's growth while maintaining the Honors College at 5-8% of the undergraduate population.
3. Complete the consolidation of the Perimeter College Honors two-year program with the Atlanta campus Honors College four-year program.
4. Improve utilization of current space, and identify additional spaces on campus, including housing, to accommodate Honors College growth in student enrollment, programming, and staff.

MISSION:

Engage a diverse and talented community of undergraduate scholars in experiences that prepare them for a lifetime of achievement.

VISION:

Be a national model Honors College that develops undergraduate scholars into global citizens whose accomplishments and contributions to society are recognized throughout their lives.