ACCESS YOUR FUTURE
GROW YOUR LIFE

East Georgia State College
“WE ARE OUR CHOICES”
- Jean-Paul Sartre

You can do anything; it’s all about the CHOICES YOU MAKE.

We hope you will choose college--any college--and this booklet has useful information to help you prepare. CHOOSE WISELY. East Georgia State College faculty and staff will help you succeed.
IT JUST GOT EASIER TO GET ASSOCIATED.

OPEN ACCESS

@ East Georgia State College

TO APPLY, ALL YOU NEED IS AN EGSC APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION AND YOUR TRANSCRIPT

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TEST SCORES USED FOR PLACEMENT ONLY.
APPLY FOR EGSC’S
DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM
FREE COLLEGE PROGRAM FOR 9 - 12TH GRADERS

The dual enrollment program allows academically-prepared high school students to maximize their education by taking courses that earn college and high school credit at the same time.

The program is administered by the Georgia Student Finance Commission, and eligible students will receive the following:

100% PAID TUITION
Book expenses and fees are also covered by the Dual Enrollment Program.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th graders at participating high schools or home study programs
- Students who meet the Dual Enrollment admissions requirements of EGSC
- No residence or citizenship requirement to participate in the Dual Enrollment Program; however, students must be enrolled at a participating high school or home study program located in Georgia

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Dual Enrollment Coordinator
478-289-2022
bmurphy@ega.edu

EGSC Admissions Office
478-289-2017
www.ega.edu/de
Get a jump start on college or start early to satisfy co-requisite course requirements in a supportive academic environment. Students begin classes in the summer and gain advance access to helpful campus resources for a more successful transition to college.

**BENEFITS:**

- $20 application fee waived
- Incur less student debt at EGSC - the lowest tuition of any USG college!
- 24 bedrooms in our on-campus apartments are guaranteed in Fall for students who successfully complete the program
- A First Year Experience class will help you achieve college success
- Learning Communities for English and Math
- Additional tutoring assistance available in the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE)
- A faculty mentor for every student
- Advantageous for students who need extra academic support

**OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS!**

Available at all three campuses: Swainsboro, Statesboro & Augusta

**APPLY ONLINE AT EGA.EDU**

For more information, contact the admissions office at 478-289-2017
“We are our choices.” - Sartre

CHOOSE TO GROW YOUR FUTURE.

Key actions you can take, grade by grade...

EVERY YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL

☐ Do Dual Enrollment - Take FREE COLLEGE COURSES while in high school.
☐ Take challenging classes in core academic subjects.
☐ Stay involved in school and community-based activities that interest you or let you explore careers. Consider working or volunteering.
☐ Talk to your school counselor and other mentors about education after high school.
☐ Talk with your parents/guardians about saving and paying for college.

9TH AND 10TH GRADE

☐ Take interest and skills assessments to help you explore career options.
☐ Talk to your school counselor about career options and the education required for those careers.
☐ Review your high school plan. Take the most difficult classes you can handle. Stay focused on your schoolwork. Participate in Dual Enrollment.
☐ Begin maintaining a list of your awards, honors, paid or volunteer work, and extracurricular activities.
☐ Participate in academic enrichment programs, summer workshops, and camps with specialty focuses such as music, arts, and science.
☐ Use your time wisely: Work, volunteer, and participate in extracurricular activities.

11TH GRADE

☐ Meet with your school guidance counselor to ensure you are on track to graduate and fulfill college admission requirements. Take Dual Enrollment classes.
☐ Explore careers and their earning potential in the Occupational Outlook Handbook at www.bls.gov.oco
☐ Attend college fairs and college-preparation presentations by college representatives.
☐ Register for and take exams for college admission (e.g. ACT, SAT, or Accuplacer).
☐ Mentor others and have a mentor for yourself.
☐ Request materials from colleges that interest you and visit their websites.
☐ Arrange campus visits to colleges of interest.
☐ Get a job to earn and save money for college, or explore your skills through an internship or apprenticeship.
☐ Research your options for college scholarships.
☐ Select the colleges to which you will apply. Keep a list of application deadlines for each college.
12th Grade

- Meet with your school guidance counselor to ensure you are on track to graduate and fulfill college admission requirements.
- Stay focused on your schoolwork.

September - November

- Take or retake the ACT, SAT and/or Accuplacer Exam.
- Arrange campus visits to the colleges that interest you. It’s okay to go more than once.
- Create a resume of your academic, athletic and work activities, as well as other achievements.
- Prepare a portfolio if you’re interested in the arts.
- Ask for recommendations (if required) from teachers, counselors, coaches, and others who can comment on your abilities and talents.

December - February

- Apply to the college(s) you have chosen. Some may have earlier or later deadlines.
  (Make copies of each application).
- Provide a copy of your high school transcript and test scores to the college(s).
- As soon as possible after January 1st, complete and submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), along with any other financial aid documents the college may require.
  You can complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
- If you have questions about the federal student aid program or need assistance with the financial aid application process, call 1-800-4-FED-AID. You can also contact the East Georgia State College Financial Aid Office at (478) 289-2169.
- Attend a financial aid event if you haven’t already done so.
- Apply for scholarships offered by the college(s).
- Review your FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) for accuracy.

March - May

- Choose the college you will attend, and notify in writing those colleges you were accepted to, but won’t be attending.
- Have your final high school transcript sent to the college.
- Work out housing arrangements. Will you be commuting or living in some type of housing, on or off campus?
- Send in any required forms or deposits.
- Sign up for housing and meal plans, if needed.
- Begin taking classes summer semester, if possible. EGSC’s Jump Start Program is a great way to get oriented to college life.

Summer

- Get a job to earn money for college. The college’s career center can help.
- Review orientation materials from the college you selected and attend orientation.
- Visit the college’s websites often – it has most of the info you’ll need to know as a student, and lots of resources to help you succeed.
- Verify with the college that all required paperwork is completed.
- If living on campus, check to see what is provided by the college and what you’ll need to provide.
- Respond promptly to college correspondence.
- Create a budget with your parents so that you can manage your expenses.
- Contact your roommate(s) and keep in touch over the summer.
- Know when classes begin. If living on campus, know when move-in day occurs.
- Be organized and stay on top of everything. It’s a lot to do, but well worth the effort when you receive that college diploma. Good luck!
# College Application Checklist

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## Pre-Application

- Researched school online
- Discussed with parents
- Discussed with counselor
- Visited campus

## School Type

- Safety
- Likely
- Reach

## Costs

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## Application Materials

- Application for Admission
- Essay/Personal Statement (if required)
- High School Transcript
- Transcripts from any college(s) attended
- Test Scores (SAT, ACT, Accuplacer)
- Other required documents

## Letters of Recommendation

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## Additional Information

- Portfolio (if required)
- Supplemental
- Housing forms

## College Website Password

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How do I pay for college?

FAFSA
Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); include East Georgia’s school code (010997) so that our office receives your information. Once logged into your FAFSA be sure to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. Should you not be able to utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Tool via the FAFSA, you may request an IRS Tax Transcript On-line on the IRS Website. The Transcript will be mailed to you in 5-10 business days. You should complete a new FAFSA every year as soon as your Federal taxes have been processed by the IRS.

Cost of Attendance minus Expected Family Contribution minus Outside Scholarships and Other Resources = Unmet Financial Need. This will determine if you are eligible for income-based aid, such as subsidized loans.

If you think you can’t afford to go to college, think again.
Financial Aid has helped millions of students pay for their education beyond high school.

Financial aid is available to most students and comes in three forms:
- Financial aid you don’t repay (grants and scholarships)
- Financial aid you must repay (loans)
- Financial aid you earn (work study or military service)

WHAT DOES COLLEGE COST?
Cost of attendance varies from college to college. The financial aid package you receive will also vary based on the college you choose.

The cost to attend college for a full year is more than tuition alone. There are additional expenses, including books and supplies, personal spending, food, transportation, and housing.

These costs are all taken into account when the college determines your financial aid award.

Smart from the Start.

According to the U.S. Department of Education College Affordability and Transparency Center’s National Ranking for Colleges/Universities: EAST GEORGIA STATE COLLEGE is among the MOST AFFORDABLE COLLEGES IN THE NATION, ranking #47 for LOWEST TUITION and #29 for LOWEST NET COST.

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* Colleges offer options. This is an example of one typical option at each institution. Tuition rates for 2018-2019. Source: www.usg.edu
Helpful Financial Aid Resources:

https://studentaid.ed.gov/types
https://studentaid.ed.gov/prepare-for-college/budgeting
East Georgia State College: www.ega.edu or 478-289-2017
$5,000 Scholarship!

Twenty (20) scholarships are awarded each year to incoming freshmen.

- Renewable up to 4 years for students who meet eligibility requirements and continue their studies at EGSC.
- Students must attend EGSC’s Swainsboro campus.
- The ideal candidate for this scholarship is committed to leadership, service and intellectual pursuit.

Complete online application by 4/1/19

Apply now!

www.ega.edu/correll
Swainsboro Campus

The Swainsboro Campus offers a full college experience, including the Bobcat Athletics Program and a residential living option in Bobcat Villas West and South. Being situated on a 387-acre pine forest allows learning to extend beyond the classroom, utilizing two ponds, tennis, volleyball and basketball courts; an 18-hole disc golf course, a ropes course, a nature trail, and both a 5K and 10K cross country trail.

Additionally, the campus has been designated a Tree Campus by the Arbor Day Foundation and is also certified as a Bee Campus USA with the addition of Bobcat Apiary.

A range of degrees are available to suit each student’s educational goals, including a certificate, associate degrees and targeted bachelor’s degrees. (See page 19 for a full list!)
BOBCAT VILLAS
On-Campus Housing in Swainsboro!

BOBCAT VILLAS - WEST

BOBCAT VILLAS - SOUTH

Meals available in the Dining Hall.
Dining Hall is ALL YOU CAN EAT!

- 4-Bedroom Apartments
- 2 Bathrooms Per Apartment
- Kitchen
- Fully Furnished
- 24/7 Security
- Free Laundry
- Study Spaces
- Outdoor Recreation Space
- Game Room & Fitness Center
- Mail Service

Utilities and Wireless Internet Included!

www.ega.edu/housing
Statesboro Campus

- Students can complete an Associate of Arts degree and Associate of Science degree with disciplinary distinctions through EGSC or can complete 30 semester hours and transfer easily to Georgia Southern University (GaSoU), or to any other college or university.

- EGSC Statesboro students pay Georgia Southern University’s student activity fees and are issued a GaSoU Student ID that provides access to GaSoU’s student services such as the Henderson Library, health services, club activities, ROTC, marching band, meal plans and athletic events.

- Bus transportation is available between EGSC Statesboro, Georgia Southern University and Ogeechee Technical College.

- Student housing is available near Georgia Southern’s campus and convenient to the bus route. There is no freshman dorm requirement at EGSC Statesboro.

ROAR WITH THE BOBCATS; SOAR WITH THE EAGLES!
Augusta Campus

- Students can complete up to 30 semester hours at EGSC Augusta and then easily transfer to Augusta University (AU), or to any other college or university.

- EGSC Augusta students pay Augusta University’s student activity fees and are issued an AU Student ID that provides access to AU’s student services such as the Reese Library, health services, club activities, cultural events, food services, Jaguar Student Activities Center and athletic events.

- Bus transportation is available on the AU bus shuttle; students also ride free on the Augusta public transit system.

- EGSC Augusta students can register for select Augusta University courses while enrolled at EGSC, and will only pay the EGSC tuition rate rather than the AU rate.

ROAR WITH THE BOBCATS; RUN WITH THE JAGUARS!
EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS...

STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Learn more at www.ega.edu/studyabroad

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WANT FREE TUITION?

CHECK OUT OUR VA BENEFITS:

· POST 9/11 CHAPTER 33

· 1606 AND CHAPTER 30 MONTGOMERY GI BILL

· DEPENDENTS/SPouse OF DISABLED VETERAN CHAPTER 35

· ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY TA BENEFITS

· CHAPTER 31 FOR DISABLED VETERANS

East Georgia STATE COLLEGE

For more information, go online to: www.ega.edu/veterans_and_military_personnel
SUCCESS BY ASSOCIATION.

- Complement your degree by joining a student organization.
- Connect with other students who share similar interests.
- Build your resume with leadership and decision-making skills.
- Expose yourself to new cultures, experiences, ideas, issues and lifestyles.
- Appreciate the complete college experience that EGSC has to offer!

There's something for everyone at East Georgia State College!

Student Government Association
The Student Government Association is the campus organization governing student activities and representing the students in college affairs. SGA members are elected by the student body.

The Hoopoe Bird
First published on January 28, 1974, The Hoopoe Bird is the voice of the students of East Georgia State College. This free monthly newspaper features news, sports, entertainment, editorials, calendars, and more from each campus in Swainsboro, Statesboro, and Augusta.

Student Ambassadors
The East Georgia State College Student Ambassadors promote collegiate pride in EGSC and help facilitate awareness of campus programs and services.

Wiregrass
Wiregrass Literary and Arts Journal
Wiregrass is an annual literary and arts journal of East Georgia State College featuring our talented students, faculty and staff.

African American Male Initiative
The African American Male Initiative serves the young African American men of EGSC by instilling the values of Dedication, Respect, Inspiration, Vigilance and Excellence (D.R.I.V.E.)

Clubs • Intramural Sports • Disc Golf • and More!

Learn more at www.ega.edu/student_life
THE BOBCAT NATION

Get Involved

Bobcat Athletics Are Here... For You!!

The EGSC Bobcat Athletics Program is a member of the Georgia Collegiate Athletics Association (GCAA) and the National Junior College Athletics Association (NJCAA).

Available Opportunities:
Players
Broadcasters
Managers

Basketball
Baseball
Softball

Tryout information will be posted on the EGSC Athletics Camps/Tryouts Webpage: www.ega.edu/athletics/camps_tryouts

For questions, contact the Athletics Department at (478)289-2123 or via email at athletics@ega.edu www.ega.edu/athletics

Go Bobcats!
**DEGREE PROGRAMS**

East Georgia State College (EGSC), fully accredited and part of the University System of Georgia, offers one of the most affordable and tailored paths to a college degree through a range of academically transferable associate degrees, as well as bachelor’s degrees in occupation-related fields.

EGSC is among the few University System of Georgia institutions to award associate degrees with disciplinary distinction, which provides courses in a specific major, rather than just the core curriculum.

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**TRADITIONAL DEGREES**

**Certificate**
- Digital Photography

**Associate of Arts**
- Core Curriculum

**Associate of Arts with Disciplinary Distinction**
- Art
- Communication Arts
- Criminal Justice
- English
- Early Childhood Education
- History
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology

**Associate of Science with Disciplinary Distinction**
- Biology
- Business Administration
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Recreation

**Bachelor of Science**
- Biology

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**ONLINE DEGREES**

**Associate of Arts**
- Core Curriculum

**Associate of Arts with Disciplinary Distinction**
- Fire and Emergency Services Administration
- Psychology
- Sociology

**Bachelor of Arts**
- Fire and Emergency Services Administration

**Bachelor of Science**
- RN to BSN Bridge Program

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