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#### MEMORANDUM

To:

All EGC Faculty

From:

Dr. Goodman

Date:

July 14, 2005

Re:

2005 Fall Work Conference

Enclosed please find a tentative schedule for East Georgia College's Fall Work Conference to be held August 2-5.

All the activities listed for each day are open to everyone. An additional orientation session for new faculty is scheduled for 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 2. Veteran faculty are also welcome to attend this session, either as a refresher or as unofficial mentors for the new folks.

Even though student success has always been an important objective at EGC, we are giving it a new focus beginning Fall 2005. During the summer we have made plans to make adjustments in our early warning system allowing for an early grade to be assigned to all students. Adjustments in class syllabi will enable faculty to assign a grade by the sixth week of the semester. We have added a Student Success course for all incoming students. We are in the process of developing a College Viewbook. We have added a December graduation to the Academic Calendar to encourage students to graduate from EGC. You can see that it is going to be an interesting and exciting year at EGC.

We look forward to your participation in these events.

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## Fall 2005 Work Conference (Tentative Schedule) August 2-5, 2005

#### Tuesday, August 2

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION** 

Room C239

Tim Goodman

**Ed Bolton** 

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Mike Rountree Norma Woods

David Bartram

Dana Nevil

Becky Foskey

Wednesday, August 3

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. **OPENING SESSION** 

Richard L. Brown Room, EGC Student Center

John Black

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**UNIT MEETINGS** 

Humanities Division - GREDC Conference Room

Social Science Division - Humanities Conference Room

Math/Science Division - President's Conference Room

Enrollment Services Staff - President's Dining Room

Fiscal Affairs and Physical Plant Staffs - Richard L. Brown Room

Student Life & Leadership Staff - Counseling Office

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN** 

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

WebCT UPDATE—Online and Hybrid Course Development

Room C239

Deena McKinney

David Strickland

3:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

STUDENT SUCCESS--RETENTION

Room C239

Orientation

Donald Avery

Michael Briscoe

Johnna Ware

Early Warning

Tim Goodman

Ed Bolton

David Bartram

Dana Nevil

EGAC 1100

David Bartram

#### Thursday, August 4

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. FACULTY MEETING Room C239

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ADVISEMENT Room C239

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN** 

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
CLUB ADVISORS' TRAINING
President's Dining Room, EGC Student Center
Michael Briscoe

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. EGAC 1100 TEAM LEADERS' TRAINING Room C239 Tim Goodman

David Bartram

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
PART-TIME FACULTY ORIENTATION
Room C239
Tim Goodman

David Bartram
Ed Bolton
Dana Nevil

Friday, August 5

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION** 

Welcome Back!! EAST GEORGIA COLLEGE

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#### Recommendations from Retention/Recruitment Task Force

The basic goal of the following recommendations is to increase the EGC retention rate by 10%.

- 1. Continue with efforts to get community involvement on campus. Example: Movies on Campus, Red Ribbon Day, Health Fair, Career Day.
- 2. Continue to promote the Ritz-Carlton program of customer service to include employee training and contest for most customer-friendly employee.
- 3. Look at Orientation with possible revisions. Increase the number of orientation sessions to spread out, find more efficient ways of getting information to student, include more fun type activities, etc.
- 4. Look at a Freshman-Year-Experience course for all new freshmen. This course would absorb the library skills class, merge with EGAC 1000 course and go beyond what is in both classes to develop a learning cohort of students. The course would be required of all new freshmen and would be assigned to full-time faculty and staff. Explore the possibility that the EGCS students could work into the current orientation course at GSU.
- 5. Require a survival workshop for students who have been placed on probation for a second time and also those placed on exclusion whose appeal for readmission is granted.
- 6. Explore the possibility of setting-up a peer mentoring/tutoring/counseling program through the service learning course.
- 7. Increase the interaction between students and Advisors. Encourage students to find a major and increase use of the CCIS.
- 8. Base all decisions, goals and evaluations of retention on disaggregated student data; not only the full-time first-time students, but all students, disaggregated by race, gender, age. All of this is with the recognition that the System will grade EGC based on only the fall-to-fall retention rate of full-time first-time students. Long-term disaggregated retention rates (and graduation rates) need to be developed.
- 9. Encourage faculty to promote the increased usage of AIR Centers.
- 10. Modify the mid-semester reports procedure to include follow-up reports of faculty activity and student progress.
- 11. Make extra-ordinary efforts to increase the exit and pass rate in mathematics courses.

#### Library hours for Fall Semester:

 Monday – Thursday
 8:00 – 7:30

 Friday
 8:00 - 5:00

 Saturday
 Closed

 Sunday
 1:30 – 4:30

Eight Sundays proposed for fall are:

August 28; September 11 and 25; October 9 and 23; November 6 and 20, December 4

#### GALILEO Database Changes at East Georgia College, FY 05-06

Additions:

<u>Vendor</u> <u>Title</u>

Cambridge Scientific (CSA)

Applied Social Sciences Index Abstracts

Physical Education Index

EBSCO Book Index with Reviews

NoveList, a readers' advisory database

Encyclopaedia Britannica Annals of American History

Enciclopedia Universal

ProQuest Ancestry Library Edition (no remote access)

**Cancellations:** 

Bowker BooksInPrint.com

EBSCO American Humanities Index

Communication and Mass Media Complete

#### **GALILEO Upgrade**

Following a recommendation to and acceptance by the GALILEO Steering Committee to upgrade GALILEO for the 21st century, GALILEO will begin going through various upgrades. The upgrade will be implemented over three years and includes rolling out these products:

**SFX** 

WebFeat, which will be replaced by

MetaLib EZProxy

In addition, all libraries in the System will be purchasing a web-based service named RefWorks. Although RefWorks is not a "GALILEO" database or upgrade, it is considered a necessary and useful application for libraries and writing centers.