

APRIL 2022

Campus Spotlight

Shorter University Eyes Bright Future



Rapidly approaching its 150th academic year, Shorter University is moving forward toward an exciting future. "In August 2022, Shorter will open our 150th year of offering an engaging academic experience," said University President Dr. Don Dowless. "Degrees have been granted; lives have been changed; and we have the privilege of looking back over that time and celebrating many memories. This significant milestone is also important because it challenges us to look to the future."

Learning Spaces Transformed - Central to the University's future-focus is its SUForward Campaign, which is raising support for student scholarships and transforming learning spaces on campus.

Athletic Facilities Upgraded - The fall of 2021 also marked the completion of a trio of upgrades to facilities serving Shorter Athletics. Most notable is the installation of new turf at Shorter's on-campus Ben Brady Field.

Hawks on Mission - Businesses, churches, nonprofits, and families in Rome and Floyd County saw the impact of this focus through Shorter's first-ever Hawks on Mission Day held in April 2021.



2022 CFO and HR Director Meeting Recap

On March 10-11, 2022, fifteen Chief Financial Officers and Human Resources Directors from nine institutions gathered in person in Atlanta. Topics discussed included the strategic evolution of information technology on campuses and information technology cost containment, legal updates for CFOs and HR Directors, strategic endowment management, a FASB accounting update, and a MEP update. One joint roundtable discussion as well as an additional separate roundtable conversation for each group were held. A reception and dinner with meeting attendees and sponsors was held on the evening of March 10, and the groups agreed it was wonderful to finally meet in person once again.

New Pricing Agreement with Coursedog

GICA and Coursedog are pleased to announce a new collaborative pricing agreement for all GICA institutions. Coursedog offers modern academic operations software that empowers administrators and faculty to execute exceptional educational experiences and meet their strategic enrollment management goals through integrated academic and event scheduling, curriculum, catalog, and course demand projection tools. Coursedog supports over 100 institutions to streamline their scheduling and curricular operations into a single integrated platform. Academic administrators deserve a powerful, easy-to-use tool that gives them confidence, visibility, and trust that they are executing student-centric, data-driven, cost-efficient academic operations. To learn more about this pricing agreement, please plan to attend an informational webinar on April 12 at 10 a.m. Please click [here](#) to register to attend the webinar.

2022 Chief Academic Officer Meeting

The GICA 2022 Chief Academic Officer Meeting has been shifted to a Zoom format spanning multiple days during April 2022 to accommodate busy spring schedules. Topics to be addressed at this meeting include academic compliance issues, research opportunities in collaboration with the Georgia Smart Communities Challenge, an overview of Georgia-TRACS system improvements, and a discussion about a possible online dual enrollment collaboration. Meeting invitations for each session has been sent to the CAOs. If you have questions about this meeting, please contact [Lisa Macke](#) at 404-313-673.

2022 Chief Enrollment Officer Meeting

The GICA 2022 Chief Enrollment Officer Meeting will be held in person in Atlanta on May 4, 2022. The planning committee is putting the finishing touches on the agenda and registration will open soon. If you have questions, please contact [Lisa Macke](#) at 404-313-6737.

2022 Chief Student Affairs Officer Meeting

The GICA 2022 Chief Student Affairs Officer Meeting will be held in person in Atlanta on May 25, 2022. The planning committee is putting the finishing

touches on the agenda and registration will open soon. Please contact [Lisa Macke](#) at 404-313-6737 if you have any questions.

Building a Better Campus Community in the Digital World

The pandemic has changed the way we approach building a community on campus. While the pressure that produced these changes has receded, campuses must adapt their approach and continue using a variety of tools to continue to build upon these new communities if they hope to continue to compete. Please join GICA and Pathify for a webinar on April 27 at 1 p.m. that explores tools that can be used to move a campus beyond the capacity of a simple student portal. To register, please click [here](#). If you have questions about this webinar, please contact [Lisa Macke](#).

Upcoming GICA CCP Training Opportunities

Creating Institution-Specific CHP, Manuals, and Plans

Tuesday, April 12 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. Due to the overwhelming interest in the Creating Safe and Compliant Laboratory Spaces within Higher Education, speaker Dr. Pappas is hosting this follow-up webinar which will walk through the elements of a CHP; discuss how to customize a "purchased" CHP; explain how to customize a Biosafety Manual, Respiratory Protection Plan, and Incident Reports; and discuss emergency response agreements with hazardous waste companies.

Register

Counting & Classifying Arrests and Referrals for Clery Crime Statistics

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. This webinar will focus on a deep dive into the ins and outs of counting and classifying arrests and referrals for disciplinary action for weapons law, drug abuse, and liquor law violations under the Clery Act. The speaker will provide a high-level overview of all Clery crimes and then guide participants through practicing how to analyze and count arrests and referrals specifically.

Register

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7, 2022

Chief Academic Officer Meeting
Zoom

April 12, 2022

Creating Institution-Specific CHP, Manuals
and Plans
Webinar

April 20-21, 2022

Presidents Reception and Board Meeting
Rome, GA

April 26, 2022

Clery Act
Webinar

May 4, 2022

Chief Enrollment Officer Meeting
Atlanta

May 20, 2022

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Roundtable
Discussion Series
Zoom

May 25, 2022

Chief Student Affairs Officer Meeting
Atlanta

June 9, 2022

Chief Information Officer Meeting
TBD

June 16-17, 2022

Institutional Researchers
CAIRPAQ

July 21, 2022

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Roundtable
Discussion Series
Zoom

August 23, 2022

ADA Compliance Series - Online Course
and Web Content Accessibility
Webinar

August 30, 2022

ADA Compliance Series - Online Course
and Web Learning Accessibility Checklists

September 6, 2022

ADA Compliance Webinar Series - Practical
Tips on Online Course and Web
Accessibility
Webinar

September 15, 2022

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Roundtable
Discussion Series
Zoom

October 22, 2022

Fall Board Meeting
Zoom

November 17, 2022

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Roundtable
Discussion Series
Zoom

Thank you for letting us serve you. It remains our honor to do so.

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