

## GEORGIA SEDAAG REPORT, 2000

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In September 2000 questionnaires were mailed to all colleges and universities offering geography courses within the state of Georgia. As of November 15, 2000 twelve replies had been received from the institutions listed in below (Table 1). Units that reported last year, but not this year have an asterisk. The table below lists 2000 numbers followed by 1999 for comparative analysis (i.e. 2000/1999). The designation Anr@ refers to no record.

**Table 1. Enrollment/ Teaching Data:**

	# full time faculty	# part time faculty	u-grad. sections per year	grad. sections per year	total # under- grads. enrolled	total # of grads. enrolled	# of under- grad. majors	# of grad. majors
Armstrong Atlantic	n1/1	n0/0	3/3	2/1	175/100	15/10	0/0	0/0
Dalton State College	0/nr	1/nr	6/nr	0/nr	45/nr	0/nr	0/nr	0/nr
Georgia Coll. and State U.	1/1	0/1	5/4	0/2	85/90	0/5	0/0	0/0
Georgia Perimeter Co.*	nr/1	nr/3	nr/33	nr/0	nr/188	nr/0	nr/0	nr/0
Georgia Southern U.	4/4	0/0	37/26	0/1	942/800	0/10	11/10	0/0
Georgia State University	7/7	5/2	86/39	35/18	1478/742	227/59	38/40	36/59
Kennesaw State Univ.*	nr/2	nr/0	nr/23	nr/0	nr/582	nr/0	nr/0	nr/0
The University of Georgia	21/22	2/4	84/86	36/24	5100/ 5400	141/101	106/ 106	64/33
State University of West Georgia	4/4	0/0	26/24	3/0	1163/ 1000	20/0	19/20	0/0
Valdosta State U.	8/8	0/0	68/68	0/1	1755/ 1657	0/5	78/76	nr/0

Based upon the numbers reported in last year's report, it appears that enrollments in geography classes are increasing statewide, except for The University of Georgia. This trend may reflect the fact that a geography curriculum is required in middle schools, thus education majors

seek geography courses. The University of Georgia is still feeling the effects of the semester transition that involves a greater diversity of non-geography choices for undergraduates at the flagship University. The larger enrollments for the smaller schools probably represent the fact that they now have GIS labs and are offering more technology classes than ever before. The number of undergraduate geography majors seems to have remained stable on a statewide basis, as do graduate majors.

### **Highlights:**

Geography tends to be doing well in Georgia. Many departments report good success of undergraduates and graduates getting jobs, particularly in the fields of environmental science and GIS. The University of Georgia and the larger satellites have enjoyed significant funding from the State of Georgia to upgrade laboratory facilities and equipment.

*At UGA:* The University of Georgia Geography Department has enjoyed its highest level of external funding, totaling about \$3.4 million in grants held in 2000. Eight doctoral students held NSF dissertation improvement grants, totaling \$125,000. The UGA Geography department hosted an international conference, titled *AGlobalization and Third World Development,* which gave great visibility to the Human/Economic geographers. Major renovation and development projects were finished, including fiber-optic cable networks to computer labs, renovation of the Climate Research Laboratory with NOAA and NWS satellite feeds, and development of a luminescence dating lab. A Master of Science (MS) degree and a Graduate Certificate in Geographic Information Science were implemented.

### **Geography Web Sites in Georgia:**

Armstrong Atlantic State University	<a href="http://www.hist.armstrong.edu/">www.hist.armstrong.edu/</a>
Dalton State College	<a href="http://www.daltonstate.edu">www.daltonstate.edu</a>
Georgia College and State Univ.	<a href="http://www.gcsu.edu/acad_affairs/coll_artsci/hist_geo/">www.gcsu.edu/acad_affairs/coll_artsci/hist_geo/</a>
Georgia Southern Univ.	<a href="http://www2.gasou.edu/geog/">www2.gasou.edu/geog/</a>
Georgia State Univ.	<a href="mailto:monarch@gsu.edu">monarch@gsu.edu</a>
Kennesaw State Univ.	<a href="http://www.kennesaw.edu/sga/">www.kennesaw.edu/sga/</a>
University of Georgia	<a href="http://www.uga.edu/geography">www.uga.edu/geography</a>
Valdosta State Univ.	<a href="http://www.valdosta.edu/vsu/dept/cas/phy/geography1.html">www.valdosta.edu/vsu/dept/cas/phy/geography1.html</a>
State University of West Georgia	<a href="http://www.westga.edu/~geograph/">www.westga.edu/~geograph/</a>

### **Gender Statistics for The Univeristy of Georgia:**

The ratio of male/female faculty, including temporary, adjunct, and full-time is 18/6  
The male/female ratio for undergraduates is 40/60 at the entire University.