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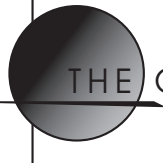
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***Georgia State University is committed to providing educational, personal, and community development that will enhance the quality of the student-athlete experience.***

# **ACADEMICS PANTHER PROMISE**

**T**he blueprint for academic and personal success for Georgia State student-athletes is **PANTHER PROMISE**.

Panther Promise was developed in 2005 to assist student-athletes with concerns that are unique to the Division I student-athlete and tailored to fit the unique environment of Georgia State University.

Panther Promise is an extension of the services provided by PASS-Program for Academic Support Services. Through PASS and the Athletic Learning Lab, Georgia State's student-athlete development staff arranges

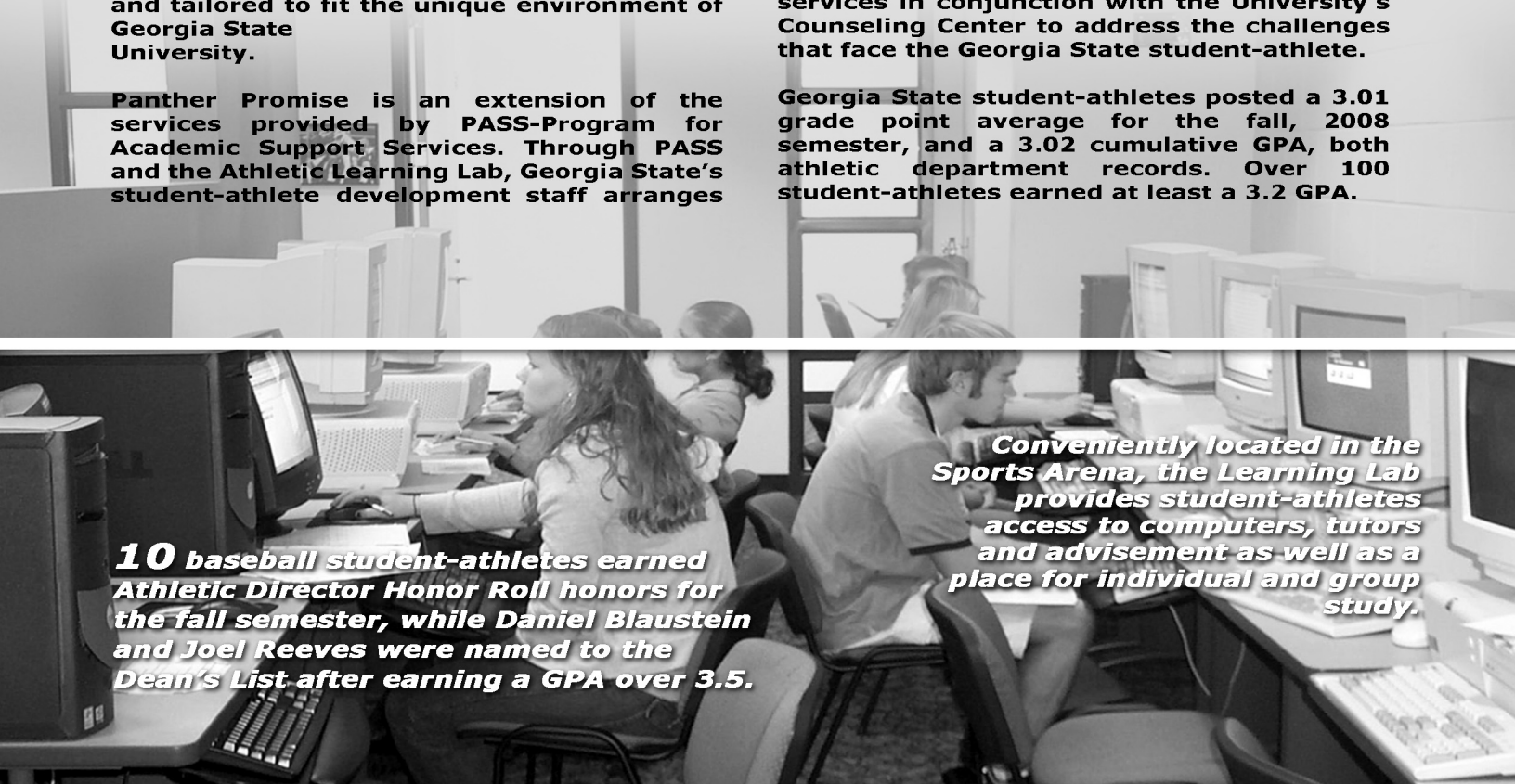
tutoring in a wide range of courses, offers academic advisement and provides access to computers and a convenient place to study.

Other components of Panther Promise are the NCAA's CHAMPS/Life Skills program and the Panther Den, which offers a variety of services in conjunction with the University's Counseling Center to address the challenges that face the Georgia State student-athlete.

Georgia State student-athletes posted a 3.01 grade point average for the fall, 2008 semester, and a 3.02 cumulative GPA, both athletic department records. Over 100 student-athletes earned at least a 3.2 GPA.

***10*** baseball student-athletes earned Athletic Director Honor Roll honors for the fall semester, while Daniel Blaustein and Joel Reeves were named to the Dean's List after earning a GPA over 3.5.

***Conveniently located in the Sports Arena, the Learning Lab provides student-athletes access to computers, tutors and advisement as well as a place for individual and group study.***



# Colonial Athletic Association



**W**ith more than two decades of success athletically and academically, the Colonial Athletic Association has established a reputation as one of the nation's top collegiate conferences.

The conference has produced 16 national team champions in five different sports, 33 individual national champions, 12 national players of the year and 11 national coaches of the year. Even more impressive, however, are the honors accumulated in the classroom, including five Rhodes Scholars and 20 NCAA post-graduate scholars. In 2007-08, more than 1,700 of the CAA's 4,000 student-athletes received the Commissioner's Academic Award with at least a 3.2 grade point average.

The CAA encompasses five of the nation's nine largest metropolitan areas with a geographic footprint that stretches from Boston to Atlanta.

The landscape of the conference includes six of the nation's top 25 media markets – New York (1), Philadelphia (4), Boston (7), Washington, D.C. (8), Atlanta (9) and Baltimore (24). The number of television homes in the CAA market exceeds 19.7 million.

A total of 23 student-athletes were drafted in last summer's Major League Baseball draft and five earned All-America honors. The CAA finished ninth in the final RPI rankings and scored a pair of teams in the NCAA Tournament.





*Located in the Southeast's governmental, financial, retail, health and legal center in downtown Atlanta, Georgia State University is a place where teaching, research and service are woven together to create a meaningful learning experience.*

# Georgia State University

**G**eorgia State University offers educational opportunities at both the graduate and undergraduate levels by blending the best of theoretical and applied inquiry, scholarly and professional pursuits and scientific and artistic expression.

An urban research university nestled in the heart of downtown Atlanta, Georgia State's location allows students to learn not only in the classroom, but also in the surrounding city, where high-profile companies can provide hands-on experience.

Founded in 1913, Georgia State has earned the highest Carnegie classification for research institutions.

Georgia State offers 52 bachelor's, master's, specialist's and doctoral degree programs in 250 fields of study, offered through six college-level units: the J. Mack Robinson College of Business, the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Law, the College of Education, and the College of Health and Human Services.





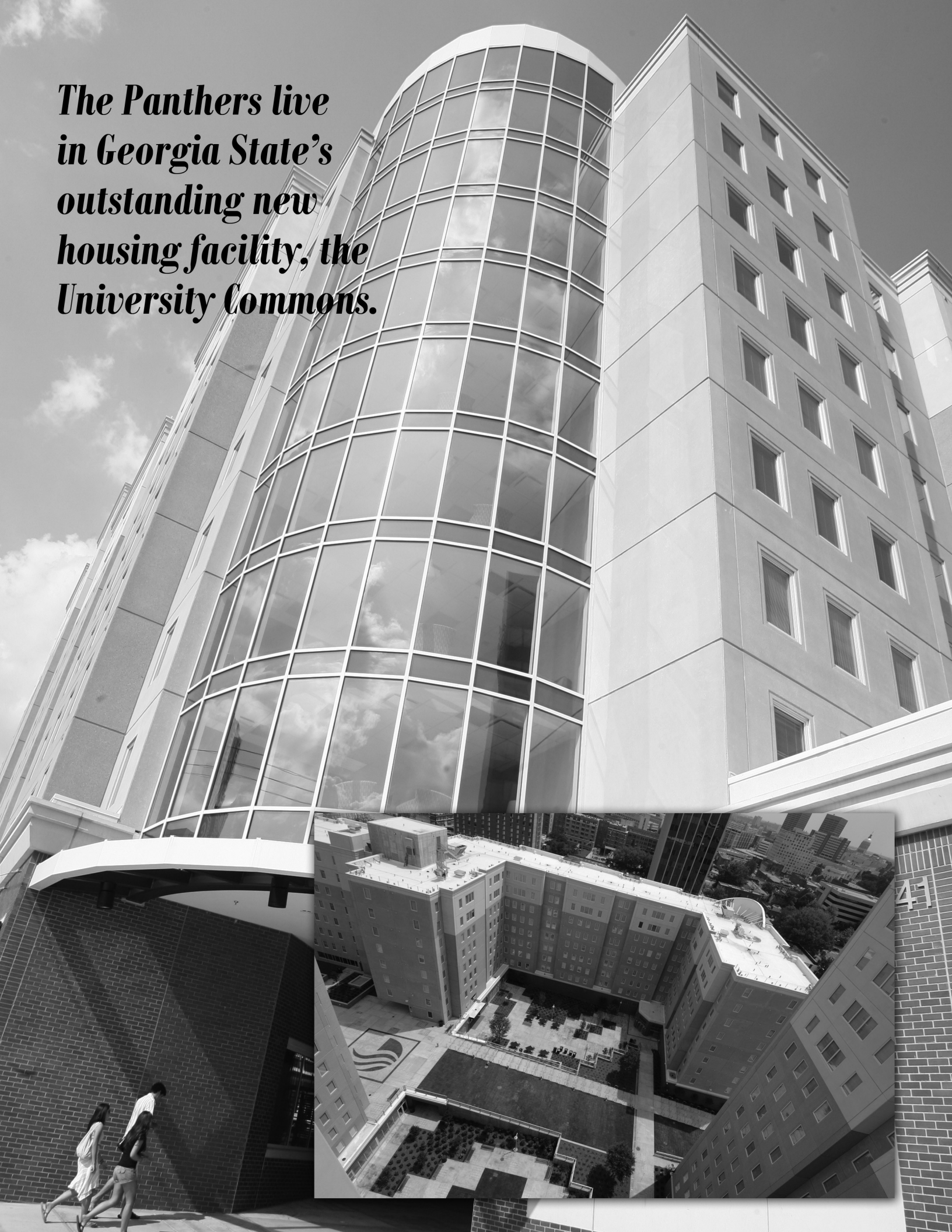
## **GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

**is one of the nation's leading urban research universities, educating Georgia's most diverse student population. With an enrollment of more than 28,000 students, it is the second largest institution in the University System of Georgia. Students arrive from every county in Georgia, every state in the nation and nearly 150 countries.**

*The undergraduate program at Georgia State University's J. Mack Robinson College of Business is ranked among the nation's Top 50 business schools, according to the U.S. News & World Report guide to "America's Best Colleges."*



*The Panthers live  
in Georgia State's  
outstanding new  
housing facility, the  
University Commons.*



# University Commons

**O**pened in 2007, the University Commons feature two- and four-bedroom apartment-style units.

All units come with fully-equipped kitchens, furnished bedrooms, and spacious living areas.

Each individual private bedroom is wired for high-speed Internet, voice and cable television.

Each floor design includes a study/community lounge space, and each building has a fully-equipped laundry facility.

The University Commons houses 2,000 students in a convenient location on the Georgia State campus. State students also reside nearby in the University Lofts. Additional campus housing is under construction and scheduled to open in 2009, including a freshman residence hall with a dining facility.



# Reeves



## REEVES FIELDHOUSE

The Reeves Fieldhouse was dedicated by Georgia State University on March 25, 2003.

With a deep and unwavering commitment to Georgia State athletics, William and Susan Reeves have played a critical role in elevating the stature of the entire athletics program through their many years of service and financial support. Mr. Reeves, a 1959 graduate of Georgia State, served as a member of the university's Athletic Association Board of Trustees for more than a decade and was the chair from 1998 - 2003. Mr. Reeves has been awarded the Georgia State University Distinguished Service Award, Booster of the Year Award, and the Athletics Department Commitment Award.

The Reeves Fieldhouse was approved by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia in November 2002.



# Fieldhouse



**Former head coach Mike Hurst  
with Bill and Susan Reeves  
at the dedication  
of the Reeves Fieldhouse.**



**The Reeves Fieldhouse was  
dedicated on March 25, 2003,  
prior to State's game against  
Georgia Southern.**



**Approximately 200 people  
attended the ceremony,  
including Georgia State's  
former President Carl  
Patton, prior to the Panthers'  
7-5 victory over the Eagles.**

# Georgia State Facilities



Georgia State University has several fine athletic facilities that its student-athletes call home. While men's and women's basketball and women's volleyball compete at the Georgia State Sports Arena in downtown Atlanta, most of the Panthers' athletic teams host their competitions at the Georgia State University Panthersville Recreation and Athletics Complex, located about 10 miles from campus in DeKalb County. The complex includes the home facilities for the sports of men's and women's soccer, baseball, softball, and men's and women's cross country.

Most recently, an ambitious long-term development project began on Wednesday, June 28, 2006 with an official ground breaking ceremony for the new Panthersville Athletics Complex. The focus of the project is to bring most of Georgia State's outdoor athletic programs into one full-use facility. The multi-year project will include two soccer fields, upgrades to the existing baseball and softball facilities, and a multi-use locker room.

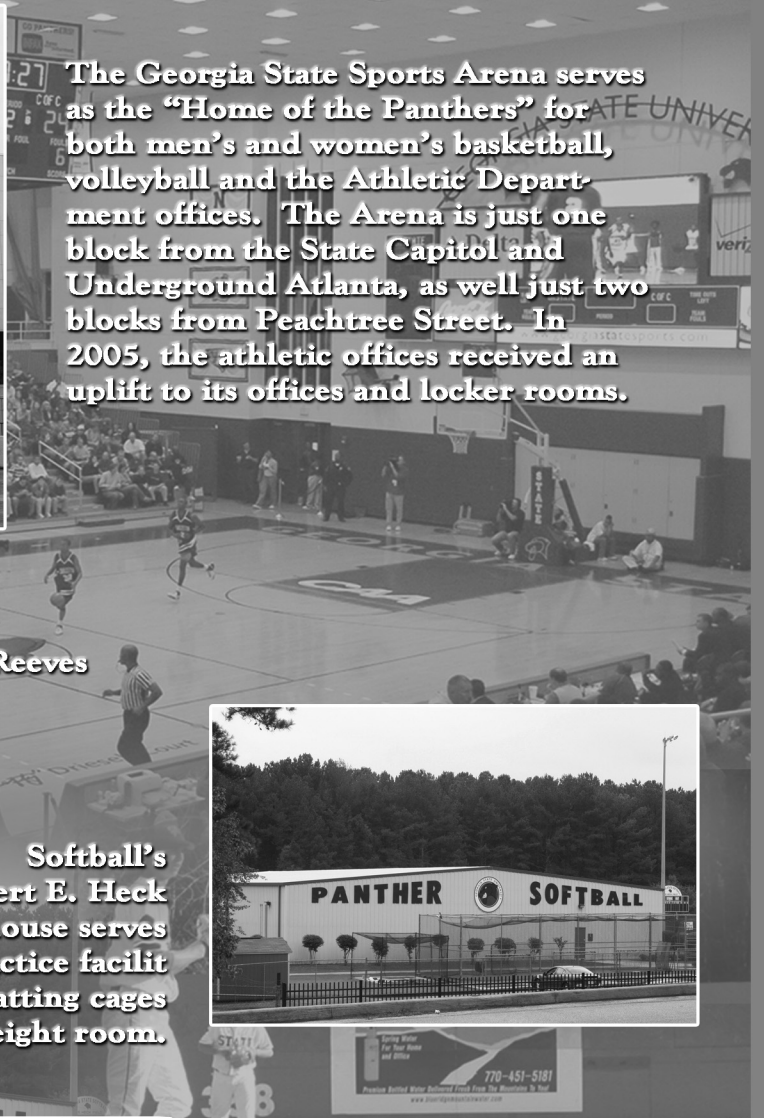
The Field at Panthersville has continued to see upgrades over each of the past off-seasons and this previous winter was no different. A new scoreboard was installed over the right field wall with many new digital enhancements. Next in the works are indoor batting changes. These additions come just a few years after the beautiful Reeves Fieldhouse was built that includes the team locker room and coaches offices.

The men and women's golf teams call Eagle's Landing Country Club home, which is about 25 minutes south of Atlanta in Stockbridge. The Panthers home course is also host to the annual Georgia State Golf Classic Fundraiser.

State's men's and women's tennis programs compete at nearby Piedmont Tennis Center in Piedmont Park. Piedmont Park is a 189-acre stretch of land located in Midtown, north of the city center and just five minutes from Georgia State's campus. The Piedmont Tennis Center boasts 12 lighted hard courts nestled in the backdrop of Atlanta's skyline.

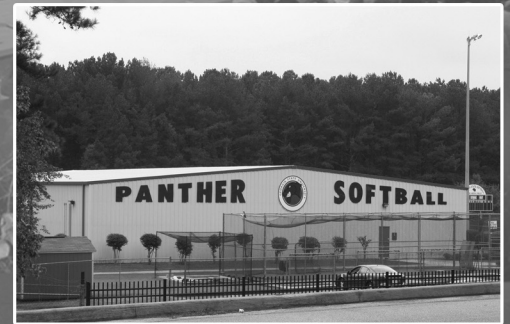


The Georgia State Sports Arena serves as the "Home of the Panthers" for both men's and women's basketball, volleyball and the Athletic Department offices. The Arena is just one block from the State Capitol and Underground Atlanta, as well just two blocks from Peachtree Street. In 2005, the athletic offices received an uplift to its offices and locker rooms.



Baseball's Reeves Fieldhouse

Softball's Robert E. Heck Teamhouse serves as an indoor practice facility complete with batting cages and a weight room.



Eagle's Landing Country Club is the home of the men and women's golf teams. The course also hosts the annual Georgia State Athletics Golf Fundraiser each fall.

Men's and Women's soccer played its first seasons at its new field at Panthersville in 2007, receiving a new scoreboard and stadium seating as a part of its renovations and upgrades. Lights were added to the stadium prior to the start of the 2008 season.



# Georgia State Campus

**L**ocated right in the heart of one of America's great cities, the Georgia State University campus has a profound influence on the changing landscape of downtown Atlanta. While the building blocks of the university will always be high-achieving students, world-class faculty and ground-breaking research, Georgia State boasts an ever-expanding and improving campus to accommodate that foundation.





*Many more new buildings are on the horizon, including a science park, classroom buildings and additional on-campus student housing.*

*In the last decade, the Rialto Theater restoration, Student Center, Student Recreation Center, University Lofts, University Commons and Helen M. Aderhold classroom building have transformed the downtown cityscape at Atlanta's core.*





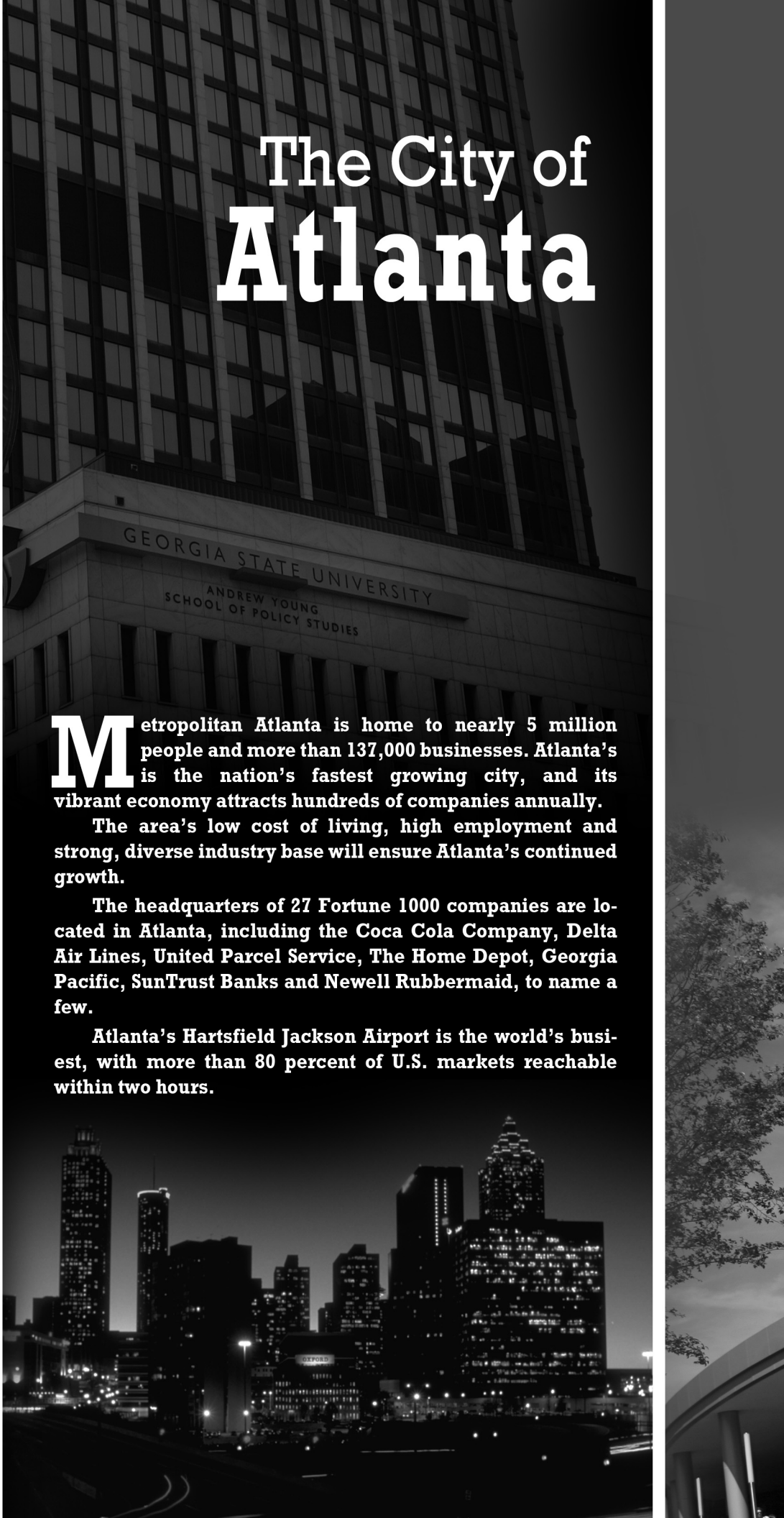
# The City of Atlanta

**M**etropolitan Atlanta is home to nearly 5 million people and more than 137,000 businesses. Atlanta's is the nation's fastest growing city, and its vibrant economy attracts hundreds of companies annually.

The area's low cost of living, high employment and strong, diverse industry base will ensure Atlanta's continued growth.

The headquarters of 27 Fortune 1000 companies are located in Atlanta, including the Coca Cola Company, Delta Air Lines, United Parcel Service, The Home Depot, Georgia Pacific, SunTrust Banks and Newell Rubbermaid, to name a few.

Atlanta's Hartsfield Jackson Airport is the world's busiest, with more than 80 percent of U.S. markets reachable within two hours.

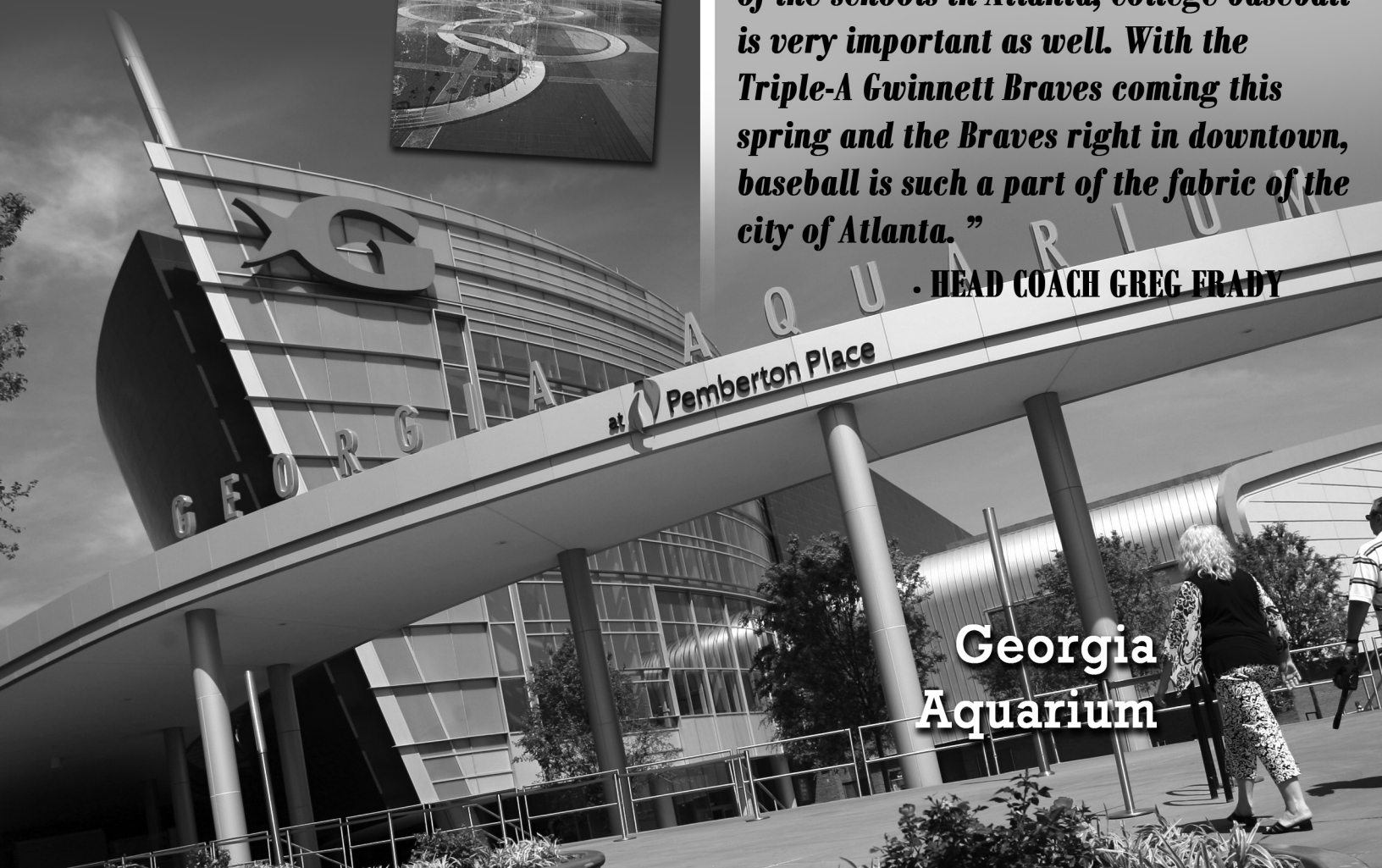




# Centennial Olympic Park

*“Atlanta is such an unbelievable city for all athletics, but Atlanta truly loves baseball. The Braves, East Cobb baseball from an amateur standpoint and with all of the schools in Atlanta, college baseball is very important as well. With the Triple-A Gwinnett Braves coming this spring and the Braves right in downtown, baseball is such a part of the fabric of the city of Atlanta.”*

**. HEAD COACH GREG FRADY**



# Georgia Aquarium

# Strength & Conditioning





# Endowed Scholarships



*Mike Hurst  
Endowed Baseball Scholarship*

**M**ike Hurst embodies the true spirit of a Panther, helping resurrect the Georgia State baseball program starting in 1992. He served as the Panthers' pitching coach from 1992-93, and took over as interim head coach for the final 12 games of the 1993 season. After being elevated to the position of head coach during the summer, Hurst guided the Panthers until he stepped down as head coach following the 2006 season.

Hurst coached the Panthers for a school-record 725 games and led State to 293 victories, also a school record, during his 14-year tenure. Most notably, he led the Panthers to wins against ranked Georgia and Georgia Tech teams during the 2000 season. He is the only Panther head coach to beat both in-state rivals during the same season.

He coached five All-Americans, five all-region players, 29 all-conference selections and saw 25 players sign professional contracts.

## *Steve Rosenburg Memorial Endowed Baseball Scholarship*

**S**teve "Rosie" Rosenburg, a native of Boston, moved to Atlanta in the 1960s as a teenager and attended Georgia State in the early-1970s.

A life-long baseball fan, Rosenburg thrived in the business world after his education at Georgia State. He helped establish Steverino's Subway chain and Premier Video.

He joined the Atlanta Division of Men's Senior Baseball League, where he served as commissioner from 1993 until his death in 2006. From 1988 to 2006, Rosenburg served as the MSBL/MABL World Series assistant tournament director. In 1997, he was an inaugural inductee into the MSBL/MABL Hall of Fame.



During the 1996 Summer Olympics, Rosenburg served as baseball information director at Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium.

He regularly attended Panther games and banquets, and always talked proudly of his affiliation with Georgia State baseball.

**Contributions are being accepted on an ongoing basis for the Mike Hurst Endowed Baseball Scholarship and the Steve "Rosie" Rosenburg Memorial Endowed Baseball Scholarship.**

**If you would like to contribute to either of these endowments, please contact the Athletics Development Office at (404) 413-4016.**