GORDON STATE COLLEGE

DIVERSITY PROGRAMMING AT THE GRASSROOTS LEVEL
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- 1852-1972: Existed under different names and incarnations

- 1972-2006: Gordon (Junior) College
  - Associate-level-degree-granting institution in USG

- 2006-present: Gordon State College
  - 8 Baccalaureate programs as of 2013
QUICK FACTS (SPRING 2013)

• 3857 students (approx. 4200 in Fall 2013)

• 43.7% of students identified as non-white
  36% as African American; 3.7% as Hispanic/Latino

• 68.5% of students were women

• 80.1% of students were from Atlanta metro counties
  One student (of 3857) identified as International

• 25.8% of students were over the age of 24
  5.3% were over the age of 40

All data from the Gordon State College Office of Institutional Research
SELECTED PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITIES ON CAMPUS

- Student African American Brotherhood (SAAB)
- Sisterhood of Integrity
- Hispanic Scholars Chapter
- Gay-Straight Alliance
- Safe Space
- President’s Committee on College Culture
- International Club
- Veterans Support Group
- Adult Learners Group
TWO CASE STUDIES

• The President’s Speaker Series
  Presented by the President’s Committee on College Culture

• The Safe Space Program
PCCC & THE PRESIDENT’S SPEAKER SERIES

• Goals
• Implementation
THE SAFE SPACE PROGRAM

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SAFE SPACE
Gordon State College
CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

• Community Outreach
• Inclusiveness and Safeguards
• Engagement and Boundaries
• Budgeting and Financial Constraints
• Backup Plans