



**PROGRAM SPECIFIC AGREEMENT FOR A  
FACULTY AND RESEARCHER EXCHANGE**

**Between**

**BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA  
BY AND ON**

**BEHALF OF GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY AND ITS ANDREW YOUNG SCHOOL OF POLICY  
STUDIES, ATLANTA, U.S.A.**

**And**

**WEST UNIVERSITY,  
TIMISOARA, ROMANIA**

In order to improve the educational experiences and cultural understanding of their students and faculty, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by and on behalf of Georgia State University and its School of Social Work in the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Atlanta, Georgia, United States of America ("Georgia State") and West University, Timisoara, Romania through its Department of International Relations and the Department of Social Work agree to institute a faculty and researcher exchange in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement ("Agreement"). Participating faculty on this program may be awarded Erasmus+ grants as outlined in the Erasmus+ Programme Agreement, appended herewith.

Georgia State and West University hereby agree to the following:

**1. Description of Program**

This Agreement is established to encourage faculty members and researchers from each university to visit the other university and engage in certain activities ("Faculty/Researcher Exchange"). With respect to the Faculty/Researcher Exchange, as used herein, "Home University" shall mean the university where the faculty member and/or researcher is normally employed, and "Host University" shall mean the university that the faculty member and/or researcher is visiting.

**2. Term and Academic Years**

This agreement becomes effective on the date it is duly signed by representatives of both institutions. The term of the Agreement shall commence on the effective date and shall be in effect for five (5) years, unless earlier terminated by either party pursuant to Section 14 below. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the term of this Agreement shall not extend beyond one academic year if Georgia State assumes any financial obligations by entering into this Agreement and, in no event shall the term of this Agreement extend beyond five academic years. This Agreement may

be renewed for additional academic years or five year renewal terms, as applicable, upon the advance written agreement of both parties.

The academic year at Georgia State consists of two regular semesters: the Fall semester begins in August and ends in mid-December and the Spring semester begins in January and runs into May. In addition, there is a Summer semester and an abbreviated Maymester. Faculty members/researchers from West University will participate without semester restrictions.

The academic year at West University consists of an Autumn term (July to November) and a Spring term (December to April). Faculty members/researchers from Georgia State taking classes at West University will be allowed to participate without term restrictions.

### **3. Number of Faculty Members and Researchers**

Starting in Spring 2017 and continuing for each year during the term of this Agreement, the two institutions will exchange faculty/researchers on a one-for-one basis. A maximum of three (3) faculty members and researchers will be sent to Georgia State and an equal number to West University. These maximum numbers may be amended in writing by both parties.

### **4. Units Involved in Exchange Program**

Participants in the program will be drawn from the School of Social Work at Georgia State, and the Department of Social Work at West University at the discretion of both parties.

### **5. Requirements for Participation**

Faculty and researchers who wish to participate in the Exchange Program will be screened for eligibility by the Home University and approved by the Host University.

Faculty and researchers should be proficient in the language of the Host University in order to participate. At Georgia State, the language of instruction is English, and faculty/researchers from West University will be required to provide proof of proficiency in English. The language of instruction at West University is Romanian and English. Faculty/researchers from Georgia State will not be required to have proficiency in Romanian. Language requirements apply only to the faculty and researchers and not to their spouses and dependents.

Each Host University shall have final authority over decisions regarding the acceptance of faculty and researchers from the Home University to participate in research, teaching or other activities.

### **6. Faculty/Researcher Responsibilities**

Each faculty member and researcher participating in this Exchange Program will be responsible for the following:

1. Payment of all expenses and fees that his or her Home University has not agreed to pay;
2. With assistance from the Host University, and any financial assistance from the Home University, obtaining proper visas and other documents required by the government of the Host University, including any guarantee that they have the financial resources to meet all expenses;
3. Purchasing the required health/hospitalization and liability insurance, including repatriation & medical evacuation coverage, for the time period of their involvement in the

- Exchange Program in order to meet governmental regulations, as well as the regulations of the Host and Home Universities, with any assistance offered by the Home University;
4. Abiding by the same regulations and performance standards that pertain to other faculty and researchers at the Host University;
  5. Submitting to criminal background checks, if necessary;
  6. Submitting any health or immunization records required by Host University; and
  7. Complying with the Home University's Travel and Safety Guidance, including observing applicable local and federal export control regulations.

## **7. Department/School/Unit Responsibilities**

Participating institution units are responsible for identifying and arranging for a supervisory and reporting structure applicable to all visiting faculty and researchers participating in the Exchange Program.

## **8. Salaries and Expenses**

Georgia State through its respective college will pay the salary for any Georgia State faculty/researchers who participate in this Exchange Program. Financial assistance in paying any other expenses for Georgia State faculty and researchers while participating in this Exchange Program (such as transportation, health insurance, passport and visa fees, and housing) will be determined by the appropriate unit at Georgia State.

West University will pay the salary for any West University faculty/researchers who participate in this Exchange Program. Financial assistance in paying any other expenses for West University faculty and researchers while participating in this Exchange Program (such as transportation, health insurance, passport and visa fees, and housing) will be determined by the appropriate unit at West University. All faculty/researchers from the West University who participate in this Exchange Program agree to undergo any procedures needed to adhere to the health regulations of the United States.

## **9. Visa Requirements**

Each Host University will provide the necessary documentation for exchange scholars to obtain a visa to enter the host country. In order to produce this documentation, they will rely on the Home University communicating scholar information three (3) to four (4) months before the start of the Exchange Program. The Host University will update the Home University annually regarding the data and documentation required. It is each scholar's responsibility to obtain the appropriate visa, as required by the host country. Exchange scholars coming to Georgia State are required to obtain a J-1 visa, and therefore must provide documentation of sufficient financial resources. Forms and detailed information about this process will be provided by Georgia State's International Student & Scholar Services.

## **10. Office Space and Support**

Each Host University agrees to provide office space and appropriate administrative support for visiting faculty and researchers.

## **11. Compliance with Rules and Regulations**

Exchange faculty members/researchers will be subject to the rules and regulations of the Host Institution, and the laws and procedures of the state or province in which the institution is located.

The Host Institution will assume no responsibility for a faculty member's/researcher's conduct or lack of compliance with any of the host country's laws. If a faculty member/researcher voluntarily withdraws or is dismissed for disciplinary reasons before the end of the Exchange Program, the program will be considered completed by the Host University with respect to that faculty member/researcher. No replacements will be sent to the Host University for faculty members/researchers who do not complete the Exchange Program. Furthermore, each Host University reserves the right to require a faculty member/researcher to withdraw from the Program if the faculty member's/researcher's academic performance or personal misconduct warrants such action, provided, however, the Host University will, absent extenuating circumstances, attempt to consult with the Home University before implementing such action. The dismissal of a faculty member/researcher shall not abrogate this Agreement, or the arrangements regarding other faculty members/researchers.

## **12. Research**

To the extent allowable by law, the parties may engage in joint research, conference participation, publication of research results and other research-related activity. The parties understand and agree that certain research sponsors may limit participation on specific research projects in the host country. The parties further understand and agree to secure all University and other required approvals prior to conducting research activities and to abide by all policies and procedures governing such activities.

If exchange faculty or researchers participate in research funded by a third party sponsor, the parties agree that such research activities will abide by the terms of the sponsorship agreement. If exchange faculty or researchers receive third party confidential information for research purposes that was provided under a written nondisclosure or confidential disclosure agreement, the parties agree that the exchange faculty or researchers will be bound by the confidentiality and nondisclosure terms of such agreement.

Exchange faculty and researchers pledge to disclose any intellectual property developed as a result of joint research to both the Host and Home Institutions unless such disclosure is unlawful under the law of the Host Institution's country. If valuable intellectual property is created as a result of joint research, ownership of such intellectual property shall be determined in accordance with the law of inventorship or authorship of the country in which the research occurred and the Host Institution's policies. The parties agree that the Host Institution will evaluate the intellectual property, in consultation with the other party, to determine whether formal patent, copyright, or other protection is desirable.

## **13. Travel Warning Countries Policy**

Georgia State's Policy on Travel to Countries with Travel Warnings governs travel by Georgia State students, faculty and staff to countries for which the U.S. Department of State has issued a Travel Warning. The University does not sponsor travel for undergraduate students to a country for which a Travel Warning has been issued. Travel by faculty, staff and graduate students must be approved by specified Georgia State administrators.

Should a Travel Warning be issued during the term of this Agreement, this Agreement will be limited to reciprocal exchange for individuals whose travel is approved under Georgia State's Policy on Travel to Countries with Travel Warnings.

## **14. Modification, Termination, Renewal of Agreement**

This Agreement may be modified, revised, or renewed but only upon the mutual consent of the parties in writing. Either party may terminate this Agreement by written notice submitted at least 90 days in advance of the next academic semester. Termination will not affect existing faculty or researchers in the Exchange Program. Unless renewed by mutual written consent, this Agreement will conclude at the end of the specified academic term or year (as defined in Section 2 above).

#### **15. Primary Contacts / Program Directors**

The Primary Contacts/ Program Directors will ensure that the terms of this Agreement are carried out. They will serve as the contact persons at each institution, ensure the general welfare of program participants, ensure that necessary approvals are in place, and have administrative oversight of the program.

The primary contacts for the parties to this Agreement are the following:

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**WHEREFORE** the parties to this Agreement signify their acceptance of the terms and conditions contained herein by signing in the spaces below.

**Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by and on behalf of Georgia State University and its Andrew Young School of Policy Studies**

**West University**



By:   
Mary Beth Walker  
Dean

By:   
Prof. Univ. Dr. MARILEN GABRIEL ARTEA  
RECTOR

Date: 4/27/16

Date: 05.05.2016

# Erasmus+ Programme

## Key Action 1

### - Mobility for learners and staff - Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

## Inter-institutional<sup>1</sup> agreement 2017-2018 between West University, Timisoara Romania and Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by and behalf of Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia (USA)<sup>2</sup>

### [Minimum requirements]<sup>3</sup>

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects of the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits (or equivalent) awarded to students by the partner institution. The institutions also commit to sound and transparent management of funds allocated to them through Erasmus+.

#### A. Information about the higher education institutions

Full name of the institution / country	Erasmus code or city <sup>4</sup>	Name of the contact person	Contact details (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the course catalogue)
Universitatea de Vest din Timișoara / România  West University of Timisoara / Romania	RO TIMISOA01	<i>Department of International Relations:</i> <b>Andra-Mirona DRAGOTESC</b>  <i>Erasmus Office:</i> <b>Oana-Roxana IVAN</b>	E-mail: andra.dragotesc@e-uvt.ro Tel: +40-245-592 352 Fax: +40-256-592 313  E-mail: oana.ivan@e-uvt.ro Tel: +40-245-592 372 Fax: +40-256-592 313	<a href="http://www.uvt.ro/en/">http://www.uvt.ro/en/</a>  <a href="http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en/programmes/erasmus/details-for-students/ects-info-packs/">http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en/programmes/erasmus/details-for-students/ects-info-packs/</a>
Georgia State University/ U.S.A.	Atlanta, Georgia	School of Social Work:  Jan Ligon	E-mail: <a href="mailto:jligon@gsu.edu">jligon@gsu.edu</a> Tel: +01-404-413-1066 Fax: +01-413-1075	<a href="http://socialwork.gsu.edu/">http://socialwork.gsu.edu/</a>

<sup>1</sup> Inter-institutional agreements can be signed by two or more higher education institutions (HEIs), at least one of them must be located in a Programme Country of Erasmus+.

<sup>2</sup> Higher education institutions have to agree on the period of validity of this agreement.

<sup>3</sup> Clauses may be added to this template agreement to better reflect the nature of the institutional partnership.

<sup>4</sup> Higher Education Institutions (HEI) from Erasmus+ programme countries should indicate their Erasmus code while Partner Countries HEI should mention the city where they are located.

## B. Mobility numbers<sup>5</sup> per academic year

[Paragraph to be added if the agreement is signed for more than one academic year:

The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by the end of January at the latest in the preceding academic year.]

FROM [Erasmus code or city of the sending institution]	TO <sup>7</sup> [Erasmus code or city of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED 2013]	Subject area name *	Study cycle [short cycle, 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> ] *	Number of student mobility periods	
					Student Mobility for Studies [total number of months of the study periods or average duration*]	Student Mobility for Traineeships* [Not relevant for 2017]
RO TIMISOA0 1	Atlanta, GA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Atlanta, GA	RO TIMISOA0 1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

[\*Optional: subject code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff mobility for Training. Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods or average duration can be indicated if relevant.]

FROM <sup>7</sup> [Erasmus code or city of the sending institution]	TO <sup>7</sup> [Erasmus code or city of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED 2013]	Subject area name *	Number of staff mobility periods	
				Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of days of the teaching periods or average duration*]	Staff Mobility for Training *
RO TIMISOA01	Atlanta, GA	310	Social and behavioural science	1 x 5 days	N/A
Atlanta, GA	RO TIMISOA01	310	Social work	1 X 3 Weeks	N/A

## C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period.

Receiving institution	Main language	Additional language	Recommended language of instruction level <sup>6</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional\*: <http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx>)

<sup>6</sup> See Common European Framework of Reference for Languages



[Erasmus code or city]	<b>Optional: Subject area</b>	<b>of instruction</b>	<b>of instruction</b>	Student Mobility for Studies [Minimum recommended level: B1]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Minimum recommended level: B2]
RO TIMISOA01		Romanian	English	N/A	B2
Atlanta		English	English	N/A	B2

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution [Links provided on the first page].

#### **D. Respect of fundamental principles and other mobility requirements**

The higher education institution(s) located in a **programme country**<sup>7</sup> of Erasmus+ must respect the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education of which it must be a holder. The charter can be found here:

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/funding/2014/call\\_the\\_charter\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/funding/2014/call_the_charter_en.php)

The higher education institution(s) located in a **partner country** of Erasmus+ must respect the following set of principles and requirements:

The higher education institution agrees to:

- Respect in full the principles of non-discrimination and to promote and ensure equal access and opportunities to mobile participants from all backgrounds, in particular disadvantaged or vulnerable groups.
- Apply a selection process that is fair, transparent and documented, ensuring equal opportunities to participants eligible for mobility.
- Ensure recognition for satisfactorily completed activities of study mobility and, where possible, traineeships of its mobile students.
- Charge no fees, in the case of credit mobility, to incoming students for tuition, registration, examinations or access to laboratory and library facilities. Nevertheless, they may be charged small fees on the same basis as local students for costs such as insurance, student unions and the use of miscellaneous material.

The higher education institution located in a **partner country** of Erasmus further undertakes to:

##### **Before mobility**

- Provide information on courses (content, level, scope, language) well in advance of the mobility periods, so as to be transparent to all parties and allow mobile students to make well-informed choices about the courses they will follow.
- Ensure that outbound mobile participants are well prepared for the mobility, including having attained the necessary level of linguistic proficiency.
- Ensure that student and staff mobility for education or training purposes is based on a learning agreement for students and a mobility agreement for staff validated in advance between the sending and receiving institutions or enterprises and the mobile participants.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining visas, when required, for incoming and outbound mobile participants. Costs for visas can be covered with the mobility grants. See the information / visa section for contact details.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining insurance, when required, for incoming and outbound mobile participants. The institution from the Partner country should inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Costs for insurance can be covered with the organisational support grants. See the information / insurance section for contact details.
- Provide basic guidance to incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation. Housing is not guaranteed. See the information / housing section for contact details.

<sup>7</sup> Erasmus+ programme countries are the 28 EU countries, the EFTA countries and other European countries as defined in the Call for proposals.

### **During and after mobility**

- Ensure equal academic treatment and services for home students and staff and incoming mobile participants and integrate incoming mobile participants into the institution's everyday life, and have in place appropriate mentoring and support arrangements for mobile participants as well as appropriate linguistic support to incoming mobile participants.
- Accept all activities indicated in the learning agreement as counting towards the degree, provided these have been satisfactorily completed by the mobile student.
- Provide, free-of-charge, incoming mobile students and their sending institutions with transcripts in English or in the language of the sending institution containing a full, accurate and timely record of their achievements at the end of their mobility period.
- Support the reintegration of mobile participants and give them the opportunity, upon return, to build on their experiences for the benefit of the Institution and their peers.
- Ensure that staff are given recognition for their teaching and training activities undertaken during the mobility period, based on a mobility agreement.

### **E. Any additional requirements**

*This Erasmus+ Agreement is in accordance with all terms and conditions within the Program Specific Agreement (PSA) between Georgia State and West University.*

RO TIMISOA01: The institution provides infrastructure for welcoming students and staff with disabilities.

Georgia State: The institution provides infrastructure for welcoming students and staff with disabilities (<http://disability.gsu.edu/>).

### **F. Calendar**

1. Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

<b>Receiving institution</b>	<b>Autumn term*</b>	<b>Spring term*</b>
RO TIMISOA01	July	December
Georgia State University	August	January

*[\* to be adapted in case of a trimester system or different seasons]*

2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 2 weeks.
3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 4 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI.
4. Termination of the agreement: In the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: *"Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict."*

The above mentioned parties agree to cooperate in the following activities under the terms and conditions of the Erasmus+ Programme. Both parties agree to abide by the principles and conditions set out in the Erasmus+ Guidelines for Applicants and – if the application is successful – the financial agreement, and will work according to the principles of the Erasmus University Charter. Both parties undertake to abide by the bilaterally agreed terms of this co-operation agreement and will endeavour to carry out the agreement to the best of their abilities. Cancellation of the agreement, additional activities and changes in mobility data can be made annually, if communicated before January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **G. Information**

## **1. Grading systems of the institutions**

*[It is recommended that receiving institutions provide the statistical distribution of grades according to the descriptions in the ECTS users' guide<sup>8</sup>. A link to a webpage can be enough. The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.]*

RO TIMISOA01:

ECTS grading scale:

ECTS Grade	Romanian Grade	Definition	
A	10	EXCELLENT	outstanding performance with only minor errors
B	9	VERY GOOD	above the average standard but with some errors
C	8	GOOD	generally sound work with a number of notable errors
D	6, 7	SATISFACTORY	fair but with significant shortcomings
E	5	SUFFICIENT	performance meets the minimum criteria
FX	4	FAIL	some more work required before the credit can be awarded
F	1+3	FAIL	considerable further work is required

ECTS credits:

one semester	one full academic year
30 ECTS credits	60 ECTS credits

Georgia State : details found on <http://registrar.gsu.edu/academic-records/grading/>

## **2. Visa**

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

<b>Institution [Erasmus code or city]</b>	<b>Contact details (e-mail, phone)</b>	<b>Website for information</b>
RO TIMISOA01	Erasmus Incoming Officer: Horațiu HOT Tel: +40-256-592 271 Fax: +40-256-592 313 E-mail: horatiu.hot@e-uvt.ro	<a href="http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en">http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en</a>
Georgia State University	Sparks Hall, Room 252, 33 Gilmer Street SE, Atlanta GA 30303 +1 404-413-2070 E-Mail: iss@gsu.edu	<a href="http://iss.gsu.edu/">http://iss.gsu.edu/</a>

## **3. Insurance**

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

<sup>8</sup> [http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ects\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-policy/ects_en.htm)

<b>Institution</b> [Erasmus code or city]	<b>Contact details (e-mail, phone)</b>	<b>Website for information</b>
RO TIMISOA01	Erasmus Incoming Officer: Horațiu HOT Tel: +40-256-592 271 Fax: +40-256-592 313 E-mail: horatiu.hot@e-uvvt.ro	<a href="http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en">http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en</a>
Georgia State University/ Atlanta	Sparks Hall, Room 252, 33 Gilmer Street SE, Atlanta GA 30303 <a href="mailto:iss@gsu.edu">iss@gsu.edu</a> E-Mail: <a href="mailto:kmcewen@gsu.edu">kmcewen@gsu.edu</a> +1 404-413-2070	<a href="http://iss.gsu.edu/">http://iss.gsu.edu/</a>

#### **4. Housing**

The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.


Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

<b>Institution</b> [Erasmus code or city]	<b>Contact details (e-mail, phone)</b>	<b>Website for information</b>
RO TIMISOA01	Erasmus Incoming Officer: Horațiu HOT Tel: +40-256-592 271 Fax: +40-256-592 313 E-mail: horatiu.hot@e-uvvt.ro	<a href="http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en">http://www.ri.uvt.ro/en</a>
Georgia State University/ Atlanta	Housing Office 75 Piedmont Avenue, Suite 110 Atlanta, GA 30303 Tel +1 404-413-1800 Fax +1 404-413-1803 e-mail: <a href="mailto:housing@gsu.edu">housing@gsu.edu</a>	<a href="http://myhousing.gsu.edu/">http://myhousing.gsu.edu/</a>

#### **5. Entry into force and duration of the Agreement**

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the last party signs and it shall run as long as it is funded by the Erasmus+ programme (the first Erasmus+ funded project, in the framework of the 2014-2020 Erasmus+ financial period). Mobility flows are always to be intended as subject to availability of funds.

**SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)**

Institution [Erasmus code or name and city]	Name, function	Date	Signature
RO TIMISOA01	Andra-Mirona DRAGOTESC, PhD. Erasmus Institutional Coordinator	04/05/16	
Georgia State University/ Atlanta	Mary Beth Walker, PhD Dean Andrew Young School of Policy Studies	4/27/ 2016	