Bloomberg Businessweek ranks Robinson part-time MBA No. 1 in Georgia College ranks 22nd in the nation and 8th among U.S. public universities November 11, 2011

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J. Mack Robinson College of Business

ATLANTA - Georgia State University's J. Mack Robinson College of Business finished first among all local business schools in the biennial part-time MBA rankings announced today by Bloomberg Businessweek. In addition to being Number 1 in Atlanta and the state of Georgia, Robinson ranked No. 22 in the nation and No. 8 in the U.S. among public universities.

Bloomberg Businessweek bases its part-time MBA rankings on three factors: a student survey measuring general satisfaction; academic quality; and post-MBA outcomes. The college's program received an "A" for teaching quality and also for the quality of the curriculum. Other factors considered in the ranking were work experience (Robinson MBA students average 6 ½ years in the workplace) and class size (Robinson MBA classes average 29 students).

According to Robinson Dean H. Fenwick Huss, "We are extremely pleased to once again be ranked as the best business school for working professionals in Georgia and one of the top part-time schools in the nation. It is clearly a tribute to our stellar faculty, advanced curriculum and to the exceptional students who year-after-year choose Robinson as the place to go for an MBA."

Toby McChesney, assistant dean for graduate recruiting and student services, said "the business school marketplace is more and more competitive and to finish first among a variety of outstanding business schools is very gratifying. The quality of our faculty, our many program offerings, and convenient locations are major factors in our success."

The college offers its part-time MBA in two formats:

The Professional MBA - a fast-track cohort program in which students graduate in 24 months The Flexible MBA - with this at-your-own-pace program, students earn their degree in two to five years Earlier this year, Robinson was ranked in the top 10% of the nation's nearly 300 part-time programs by U.S. News & World Report.

The largest business school in the South and part of a major research institution, Georgia State University's J. Mack Robinson College of Business has 200 faculty, 8,000 students and 75,000 alumni. With programs on five continents and students from 88 countries, the college is world-class and worldwide. Its part-time MBA is ranked among the best by the Aspen Institute, Bloomberg Businessweek and U.S. News & World Report, and its Executive MBA is on the Financial Times list of the world's premier programs. Located in Atlanta, the Robinson College and Georgia State have produced more of Georgia's top executives with graduate degrees than any other school in the Southeast.