

# NEWS



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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### **Kennesaw State University to unveil \$21 million cutting-edge science lab addition**

*Building creates new opportunities for students and researchers*

**KENNESAW, Ga. (Oct. 18, 2012)** — Kennesaw State University's College of Science and Mathematics will officially open its \$21 million science lab addition on Thursday, Oct. 25. The 73,000-square-foot building is the University's first facility dedicated entirely to scientific teaching and research. The building is designed to let professors do what they do best: teach tomorrow's scientists; ask fundamental research questions; and make connections across disciplines.

#### **WHAT:**

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will unveil the new building. In the past, lack of space in the existing science building severely limited the number of specialized courses that could be offered. Now, six laboratories on one floor are dedicated to teaching. Tomorrow's workforce needs advanced math and science skills. By 2018 Georgia will need to fill 211,000 STEM-related jobs, according to the Alliance for Science and Technology Research in America.

Two upper floors house 17 research laboratories, enhancing and expanding the University's capabilities. Kennesaw State is one of the few schools of its size to have a combination of specialized, cutting-edge equipment, which allows biologists and chemists to ask fundamental questions about life. The design of the labs makes collaboration among the University's researchers easier and increases their opportunities to work with their counterparts at local, national and international institutions.

A tour of the new building will follow the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

#### **WHO:**

- Daniel S. Papp, president, Kennesaw State University
- Mark R. Anderson, dean, College of Science and Mathematics

#### **WHEN:**

Thursday, Oct. 25, 9 a.m.

**WHERE:** Kennesaw State University, 1000 Chastain Rd., Kennesaw, Ga 30144, College of Science and Mathematics.

#### **PARKING:**

Parking is available in KSU's Lot "A."

For directions and a campus map, visit: [www.kennesaw.edu/alumnifriends\\_directions.shtml](http://www.kennesaw.edu/alumnifriends_directions.shtml)

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*Kennesaw State University is the third-largest university in Georgia, offering more than 80 graduate and undergraduate degrees, including doctorates in education, business and nursing and a new Ph.D. in international conflict management. A member of the 35-unit University System of Georgia, Kennesaw State is a comprehensive, residential institution with a growing student population of more than 24,600 from 130 countries.*