DEPARTMENT OF RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURANCE AT GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY’S J. MACK ROBINSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS EARNS PRMIA ACCREDITATION
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The Master of Science in Mathematical Risk Management offered by Georgia State University’s J. Mack Robinson College of Business has been named an Accredited University Risk Program by the Professional Risk Managers’ International Association (PRMIA). The program is designed to prepare students for analytical and technical positions within financial institutions, risk management advisory organizations, and the treasury departments of non-financial corporations. The program draws expertise from mathematical finance, actuarial science, and corporate risk management. Students receive a Master of Science in Risk Management and Insurance with a Specialization in Mathematical Risk Management.

With this designation, Robinson’s Department of Risk Management and Insurance becomes the only program at a North American business school to be ranked a top 10 risk/insurance program by U.S. News & World Report, a Society of Actuaries Center of Actuarial Excellence, and a PRMIA Accredited University Risk Program.

While many risk management programs focus almost exclusively on just insurance or on financial markets, Georgia State’s curriculum exposes students to financial concepts in all markets where risk trades including insurance markets, capital markets, and through explicit and implicit contracts. This broad focus deepens our students’ understanding and appreciation of the opportunities and challenges of a career in risk management. The educational experience also makes our graduates attractive and valuable to prospective employers as it aligns their skills with the job requirements for those working in the risk management industry.

According to Department Director Richard D. Phillips, “This portfolio of accolades from the insurance, actuarial and financial risk management communities has no comparison. We are gratified by the recognition of our program’s excellence.”

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.

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