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Subject: FW: UGACard Changes Coming in May 2013
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Dear BAAF Members:

Please see the memo that I am posting on behalf of EITS. If you have any questions, please contact Danna Gianforte at 706-542-3145.

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Enterprise Information Technology Services

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 27, 2013

TO: Vice Presidents, Vice Provost, Associate Provosts, Academic Deans,
Departments Heads and Directors

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Brett Jackson, Assistant Director of Auxiliary Services & IDMFAC Chair 

SUBJECT: UGACard Changes Effective May 2013

The UGACard is the official University of Georgia identification card for students, faculty, staff, official campus visitors, and their dependents. This card carries a 16-digit identification number (referred to as the “UGA Card Number”), which provides access to facilities, functions and services at UGA including Bulldog Bucks, the online account-based debit card program for the campus community. Due to this financial use, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA) along with state identity theft protection laws require that the UGACard Number be protected and handled as confidential or *sensitive* information. The current format of the number is as follows:

627541	81XXXXXXXX	L
Issuer ID	UGAID	Issue Level

Whereas the IssuerID and Issue Level components of this format are public information the only unpredictable element of the UGACard Number is the UGAID. The UGAID is used instead of a Social Security number to identify individuals, such as students, employees, dependents and alumni. UGAID numbers currently start with an “810” prefix and will start to include an “811” prefix this September.

Protections required by law of the UGACard number currently extend to the UGAID, as well. These protection requirements of the UGAID impose both additional burdens of security on departments handling the UGAID, as well as information security risks.

To reduce security risk and costs of handling the UGAID, a focus group of members from the Identity Management Functional Committee and key university constituents met several times in the Fall of 2012 to decide how to reformat the UGACard Number. The following format was decided for the new UGACard Number in order to decrease its predictability, increase its security and remove the current sensitive information restrictions on the UGAID. The new UGACard Number format will be implemented in May 2013 in coordination with the implementation of the new Bulldog Bucks System

62	ZZZZ	81XXXXXXXX	L
Issuer ID	Card ID	UGAID	Issue Level

Key Highlights

- This new format will be deployed gradually, as new UGACards are issued.
- Issuer ID will serve the same function but be reduced to only two digits.
- Card ID will be an unpredictable (random) secure number used for authentication.
- This new format will maintain backward compatibility with existing IT systems that use the UGACard Number.
- Athens Transit bus system will accept the new format and not impact service.

If you have any questions about these changes, please contact me at danna@uga.edu or 706-542-3145.

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