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Associated Credit Union Helps Local Students Pay for College

NORCROSS, Ga., July 21...Associated Credit Union has partnered with Credit Union Student Choice to introduce a new private student lending solution that provides loans up to \$75,000 with no origination fees. Associated CU is the first credit union to offer an undergraduate starting Aug. 19.



Associated CU's CEO Lin Hodges (left) and CFO Tim Bridges (middle) enjoy a little SEC rivalry while Executive VP Greg Connor (right) gives a tutorial on how to apply for a private student loan at the credit union's micro Web site.

Students must be members of Associated CU in order to fund their loans and be enrolled at least part-time to a four year degree-granting program at a public or private non-profit school. There are currently 50 eligible schools in Georgia and 1,700 in the United States.

Executive Vice President, Greg Connor said, "We encourage students to seek a higher education but understand how difficult it is to finance in today's economy. Associated Credit Union wants to make obtaining a degree a reality by partnering with Student Choice to provide an uncomplicated and cost efficient way to pay for college."

A few participating schools in Georgia include: University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, Georgia State, Georgia Southern, Georgia College and State, Clark Atlanta, Emory University, Kennesaw State, Oglethorpe University, Spellman College, and Valdosta State.

Associated Credit Union is headquartered in Norcross serving over 155,000 members and anyone can join. Providing low-cost services to its members, ACU is ranked in the top 150 credit unions in the United States.