

# Accolades

Gainesville-Hall County, Georgia

*Site Selection Magazine* ranked Gainesville-Hall County 3rd on its list of “2015 Top Metros by Number of Projects” in metros with population less than 200,000 and named Georgia as the #1 place to do business in the nation for the third consecutive year.

The Milken Institute Report has rated the Gainesville-Hall County MSA among the “Best Small Metro Areas in the U.S.” for the fifth consecutive year, based on job and salary growth. Gainesville-Hall County is the #1 ranking Metro area in Georgia, according to the Milken Institute.

*Area Development* included Gainesville-Hall County among its 2015 cities for “Year-After-Year Growth,” and Georgia has been named the #1 place for business by *Area Development* and CNBC.

*Forbes Magazine* has rated Gainesville as one of the “Best Small Places for Business & Careers” for the last four years.

In 2015, the Federal Reserve Bank named Gainesville-Hall County one of the most dynamic economies in Georgia and the nation.

Northeast Georgia Medical Center is Georgia’s #1 hospital and is #2 in the nation for overall hospital, medical and surgical care, according to a 2016 study by CareChex.

Lanier Technical College was named Georgia’s Technical College of the Year for 2014. It is the fastest growing Technical College in Georgia, with an 8.5% increase in enrollment, to 5,240 students. Lanier Tech is expanding and relocating its main campus to a new 85-acre site in Gainesville-Hall County on Highway 365.

The Lake Lanier Olympic Venue in North Hall County will host the 2016 Pan-Am Championships for Canoe/Kayak and the 2016 Continental Olympic Qualifier for the Americas.

*Where to Retire Magazine* named Gainesville one of the “Top 5 Places to Retire Affordably” in 2014 and a “Tax-Friendly City” in 2015.

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