

## SANTA FE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TAKES FULL ADVANTAGE OF GRU PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

Institutional research and planning is the focus of Santa Fe Community College. Equipped with 4,000 computers, Santa Fe offers computer availability and Internet access to all students. With the help of GRUCom and GRU's Business Partners Program, Santa Fe can boast technology that is advanced, reliable and energy-efficient.

Santa Fe has been connected through GRUCom for more than five years. GRUCom operates a ring-protected fiber optic network throughout Gainesville and Alachua County with circuits providing for voice, data, and/or video services transport. With seven locations, Santa Fe's connectivity between campuses is key to ensuring effective communication.

"GRUCom keeps our main and downtown campuses connected through point-to-point data and voice transport," said Patti Keefe, SFCC network manager. "Reliable, helpful and informative, GRUCom provides us with excellent service." In addition to GRUCom services, Santa Fe Community

College is also a GRU Business Partner. Through this partnership, Santa Fe receives customized service and support including energy audits, transformer change-outs and parking lot lighting additions. Infrared scanning allows for safe and efficient maintenance of Santa Fe's tray switches, which ensure even distribution of power when one line is down by switching power supply to active lines.

According to Bill Reese, associate vice president for facilities, Santa Fe's internal energy conservation program has enabled the college to use less kilowatts per month this year as compared to the same time period last year.

"Our GRU business partnership works; it gives us immediate access to high voltage professionals in times of crisis and provides a mechanism for planning upgrades and expansion on our campus," said Reese. "On the business side of it there is a well deserved element of trust, which is missing from many professional relationships in today's business environment."



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