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Former Georgia Southern running back and NCAA Division I career rushing leader Adrian Peterson will release his autobiography, "Don't Dis My Abilities," in late September. Peterson's book tells stories

of victories and times of struggle for the 1999 Walter Payton Award winner, while facing difficult challenges with the embrace of a campus community, stuttering and finding faith through his infant daughter's medical crisis.

Considered to be one of the greatest college football running backs of all- time, Peterson was a four-time consensus All-America selection and won two Division I-AA (now FCS) national championships with the Eagles in 1999 and 2000. He became the first sophomore to win the Payton Award while rushing for 2,704 yards and 40 touchdowns, rushing for over 100 yards in 1999.

After being drafted in 2002, Peterson spent eight seasons with the Chicago Bears in the NFL.

The book, through Imprint Publishing, is to be sold exclusively through Georgia Southern's University Store and its online address for the first month of its release. Pre-release orders are being taken at the University Store at 912-478-5181 and online at GSUStore.com.

Peterson, who has worked with charities in Chicago, Statesboro and Florida, will donate a portion of the book sales to fund a scholarship at GSU.

Peterson will return to Statesboro later this month with former Eagles quarterbacks Tracy Ham and Greg Hill and several members of Georgia Southern's 1999 national championship team to meet with fans and sign copies of his book.

Peterson, or "AP" as many Eagles faithful call him, will be inducted into the Georgia Southern Athletics Hall of Fame at halftime of the Eagles' Sept. 29 game against Samford.

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