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Oglethorpe University received a grant from the Georgia Humanities Council to fund a collaborative program involving the library, museum, and science faculty entitled Time is an Illusion: Revisiting Einstein’s Theories of Relativity. The program celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of Einstein’s general theory of relativity. Featured in the semester long series of events is a museum exhibit of an original document—The Experimental Confirmation of the General Theory of Relativity—written by Einstein. Programs all focus on linking sciences and the liberal arts and include a keynote lecture by Dr. Mark Bauerlein of Emory University, a film series featuring Einstein with Oglethorpe faculty Dr. Mike Rulison and Dr. John Cramer leading a post film discussion, an astronomy evening with April Whitt of Fernbank Science Center, and a breakfast with lecture on the nature of time. The book discussion series used Dr. Alan Lightman’s Einstein’s Dreams as the focus. This collaborative project among three divisions of the university has been well attended, making the planning and execution of the events even more rewarding.