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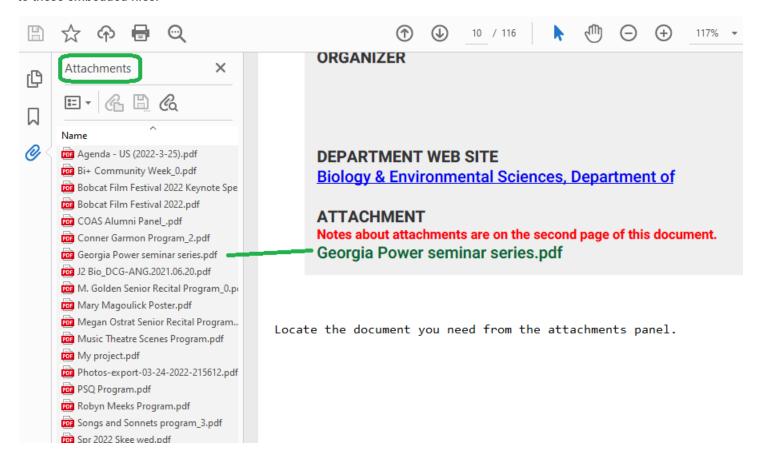


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Announcements Posted Tuesday December 1, 2020

International Photo Contest 2020-2021: Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone

International Education Center: Tuesday December 1, 2020

The International Education Center is excited to announce the theme for this year's <u>International Photo Contest</u>: Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone. The contest runs Dec. 1 - 23, and winners will be announced during the <u>International Opportunities Virtual Fair</u> on Jan. 12, 2021. There will be prizes!



- Submission start date: Dec. 1.
- Deadline: Dec. 23, 2020
- Each contestant must be a Georgia College student.
- The contestant must have taken the photo(s).
- Amateur photographers only no professionals
- Photographs can be of people, animals, surroundings, landscapes, places, etc. –
 anything that relates to the theme. The photo does not have to be from an international
 location.
- Photos can be made with any device: phone, point and shoot, digital cameras, or drones.
- Students may submit one to five photos.
- File size cannot exceed 10 MB per photo.
- Voting will be done online. Tell your friends!

For complete details visit the <u>International Photo Contest Website</u>, where you can also submit photos beginning Dec. 1.

Email questions to <u>gcsustudyabroad@gmail.com</u>. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: GCSUstudyabroad.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE International Education Center

Flannery: The Storied Life of the Writer from Georgia

Andalusia: Tuesday December 1, 2020

join us for a virtual conversation with Dr. Elizabeth Coffman and Fr. Mark Bosco, facilitated by Dr. Jon Lance Bacon, about the process of developing their documentary, Flannery: The Storied Life of the Writer from Georgia.

The filmmakers have arranged for friends of the Andalusia Institute to have access to the documentary online at https://flannery.video/AndalusiaInstitute for the reduced price of \$7.00 from 11/19/2020 to 12/3/2020.

Please register at

https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/b1efb053e8fc43a1b536ca9d31b18603

We're looking forward to seeing you there!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Andalusia

December grads: Submit your photo and video for virtual commencement

University Communications: Tuesday December 1, 2020

Don't forget to submit your photos, comments and video for virtual commencement taking place Saturday, Dec. 12. The deadline for submissions is today. Here are a few <u>examples of previous</u> <u>submissions</u> for guidance on what to include.



Check your bobcats email account for additional information and details on how to upload from StageClip.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE University Communications

Announcements Posted Wednesday December 2, 2020

Reminder: Outdoor Emergency Notification System Test Wednesday, Dec. 2

Public Safety: Wednesday December 2, 2020

Georgia College will test the Outdoor Emergency Notification System (siren system) Wednesday, December 2, 2020. This test is scheduled to occur the first Wednesday of every month between 10 a.m. and noon and last approximately one minute. No action is required during the testing, and all campus operations should continue as normal. A message stating that this is a test will precede and follow the "alert" tone. In the case of an actual tornado warning, the message would advise of a tornado warning, and the tone would cycle through. This would be repeated every five minutes until the warning expires or is canceled, at which time an all clear message would sound. The audible system test will only be tested when clear sky conditions are present. Tests will not occur when skies are dark or severe weather is predicted for the area on the day the test is scheduled to occur. In this case, the test will be canceled for the month.

There are three sirens operated by GC in Baldwin County: one on West Campus and two on Main Campus.

This testing program is designed to maintain a reliable warning system and to meet recommended testing guidelines. Additionally, we want to maximize the effectiveness of the Outdoor Emergency Notification System. By performing these tests, we hope to enhance awareness and education regarding emergency preparedness at Georgia College and within the local community.

For more information on the Outdoor Emergency Notification System and other campus emergency systems, please visit https://www.gcsu.edu/publicsafety/emergency-systems.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Public Safety

MidSouth Branch in MSU Closing

Auxiliary Services: Wednesday December 2, 2020

Due to renovations in the Maxwell Student Union, the MidSouth FCU branch located in the MSU is now permanently closed. The MidSouth ATM in the MSU will remain for the foreseeable future. No other MidSouth branches are affected.

We appreciate your business and support over the years.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Auxiliary Services

OneUSG Blackout: December 4-7

Human Resources, Office of: Wednesday December 2, 2020

We would like to announce the upcoming annual OneUSG Connect PeopleSoft data update; this has historically been known as a blackout. During the blackout period, we cannot enter any data (e.g. new hires, terminations, transfers, salary changes, etc.). The blackout will take place:

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Please make sure that your staff is aware of time entry dates and paystub verification dates, as the windows will be very short to accomplish these tasks during December. We ask that you share this information with all of your employees—staff, faculty, and student workers.

During these timeframes, please contact the Office of Human Resources at 478-445-5596 or Payroll Services at payroll@gcsu.edu. You may also email questions to oneusgconnect@gcsu.edu.

Thank you,

OneUSG Connect Transition Team

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Human Resources, Office of

Temporary Pause on Mail Pick Up and Delivery

Mail Services: Wednesday December 2, 2020

Please note that this week Mail Services is moving to a new location in Sanford Hall. During the move, the staff will not be able to pick up or deliver mail. We are expecting service to return to normal on Friday.

If your department has specific needs during the Mail Services move, please contact Keeno Weaver at 478-445-2273.

Thank you for your patience during this transition. Mail Services

Follow Mail Services on Facebook and Instagram.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Mail Services

Fall 2020 Wrap-up

Academic Advising Center: Wednesday December 2, 2020

Attention Fall 2020 graduates.

Please make sure you are meeting all degree requirements by the deadline for final grades. Deadlines may be located on the academic calendar here (https://www.gcsu.edu/sites/files/page-assets/node-1725/attachments/academic_calendar_fall_2020_2020-06-10.pdf). Please reach out to your Academic Advisor if you need assistance.

Returning students, please make sure your Spring 2021 schedule is reflecting requirements needed for degree progression. If you have any questions, please schedule an appointment with your Academic Advisor via your Unify account.

Good luck on your finals!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Academic Advising Center

Announcements Posted Thursday December 3, 2020

CUR Divisions - Arts and Humanities Student Scholarship: Call for applications

GC Journeys: Thursday December 3, 2020

The CUR Division of Arts and Humanities is offering four \$300 scholarships to support undergraduate student research and creative inquiry projects at any stage of development up to and including presentation. The goal of this funding is to encourage diverse, innovative, and engaged UR in the disciplines defined by CUR as arts and humanities:

American Studies, Archeology, Art History, Classics and Ancient Language, Communications, Comparative Literature, Creative Writing, Dance, Design, English Literature, Ethnic Studies, Film Studies, History, Jurisprudence, Media Arts, Modern Languages and Literature, Music, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Selected Interdisciplinary and Area Studies, Theater, Visual Arts, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies.

Application Materials

To apply, submit the following

- A project narrative of no more than 500 words that includes the aim of the research/creative inquiry, the context of the work, what it will add to the discipline, methods, and projected means of dissemination.
- · A project timeline, showing a plan of work
- A personal statement of no more than 300 words elucidating the student's qualification to undertake the work and the relevance of the project to the student's learning goals
- A CV of no more than 2 pages focused on the student's relevant experience, including coursework and non-classroom engagement and learning
- A letter of support from the faculty mentor specifically addressing the student's qualification to undertake the project (this must be provided to the student to submit on their own behalf)
- A statement of any past, current, or pending funding specific to this project for this student (e.g. if the CUR scholarship might be used as matching)

APPLY HERE

Selection criteria

Students who are currently enrolled as undergraduates and plan to conduct the research while enrolled are eligible. The scholarship is a one-time award, direct to student. The

awards committee will evaluate the applications on the following criteria

- Completeness of application
- Relevance and feasibility of the project narrative and timeline
- Student's qualification to conduct the project (based on the personal statement and mentor letter)
- Mentor's ability and willingness to support the project (mentor letter)

Deadline:

There will be two rounds of funding in 2020-2021

- Round 1, due December 4, 2020 -- primarily for Spring 2021 projects
- Round 2, due March 15 -- primarily for Summer or Fall 2021 projects

Questions: Please direct questions to Arts and Humanities division chair, Alexa Sand.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

GC Journeys

Divisions - Psychology Student Awards: 2020-2021 Psychology Undergraduate Student Research or Presentation Awards Announcement

GC Journeys: Thursday December 3, 2020

The CUR Psychology Division is offering a limited number of research (e.g., supplies or expenses) or presentation (travel/conference registration) awards for undergraduate students conducting original psychological research (up to \$500 per project).

Eligibility Criteria

- The student must be an undergraduate at either a two- or four-year institution. If the student is a graduating fourth-year student, the presentation must be completed within three months of fall graduation or by June 15 for spring graduates.
 - If you are requesting funds for travel, you must check that your institution allows travel before applying. We cannot support travel that is not sanctioned by the home institution. Note that travel rules have changed at some institutions due to the COVID19 pandemic.
- The students' mentor must be a CUR member, or the students' home institution must be a CUR institutional member. Please reference the Member Directory.
- The student(s) must be the primary investigator(s) on the project (e.g., honors project, student-directed independent study, etc.).
- If the research results in a publication or presentation, award recipients are required to acknowledge CUR for support of their research in their talk, poster, or paper.
- Award recipients are required to submit a short synopsis of their research experience in either written or video form. How have you grown as a scholar as a result of participating in this research experience? <u>Submit the synopsis here</u>. These synopses may later be placed on the CUR website for promotional purposes.

Application Procedure

An electronic application form must be completed by the student applicant (one application per project). The student needs to request a letter of support from the faculty mentor. Both documents must be received by the deadline for full consideration of the submission. The faculty mentor should email the letter of support to the <u>CUR National Office</u>. In the letter, the faculty mentor will need to address the following:

• the role of the student(s) in the project's development;

- the impact of the research on the student(s) during his/her/their undergraduate training;
- the estimated timeline of the project;
- verification that the student's itemized breakdown of the requested funds is realistic;
- a list of other sources of funding currently available for the proposed project;
- and mailing address for the faculty mentor, should the research project be chosen for funding.

Selection Criteria: Research award recipients will be chosen based on the responses provided to each question, as well as the scholarly merit of the research plan. The description of the research plan should be written for a general psychology audience – please do not merely upload a conference abstract. The description should contain the following information:

- An abstract (150-250 words long)
 - containing the study's OBJECTIVE;
 - a description of the METHODS;
 - expected RESULTS;
 - a statement of SIGNIFICANCE;
- A statement (150-250 words) explaining how the student's work contributes to DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (e.g., underrepresented minority researchers, research topics that include diversity and inclusion);
- A statement (150-250 words) explaining the STUDENT(S)'S ROLE in the research;
- A statement (150-250 words) indicating how the research experience contributes to his/her/their LONG-TERM GOALS;
- A statement (100 words) explaining how the award will allow the student(s) to PARTICIPATE more fully in research; and
- An itemized breakdown of the FUNDS. If the project will cost more than \$500 (the maximum of the CUR award), please explain the source(s) of the remaining funds.

Please note that while multiple applications from the same lab/mentor will be accepted, we will typically only fund one per lab/mentor in an application year. Additional funding per lab may vary based on total overall number of applications for the year.

For details on the scoring of applications, visit the online rubric.

Deadline: Complete applications (form and letter of support) must be received by 5:00 pm ET January 22, 2021. Notification of award status will be given by February 12, 2021.

Application Form

Access the online application form.

Questions? Please direct questions to the Chair of the CUR Psychology Division, <u>Dr. Karen L.</u> Gunther.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

GC Journeys

Upcoming CUR Opportunities for CUR Members

GC Journeys: Thursday December 3, 2020

UPCOMING CUR EVENTS & DEADLINES

Arts & Humanities Student Scholarship Deadline

Deadline | December 4, 2020

<u>CUR Conversations: Mentoring Virtual Undergraduate Research</u> (Members-Only)

Virtual | December 7, 2020 @1PM ET

Health Sciences Division Mentor Award Deadline

Deadline | December 31, 2020

Health Sciences NCUR Presentation Award Deadline

Deadline | December 31, 2020

Physics & Astronomy Division: Nadine Barlow UR Support Award

Deadline | January 8, 2021

Chemistry Division Mentor Award

Deadline | January 11, 2021

CUR Fellows Award

Extended Deadline | January 15, 2021

Psychology Division: Undergraduate Student Research or Presentation Award

Deadline | January 22, 2021

Engineering Division Mentor Award

Deadline | January 31, 2021

<u>Centering Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion in UR + Creative Activity Conference: Abstract</u> Submission Deadline

Deadline | March 1, 2021

FOR ASSISTANCE, please contact Dr. Doreen (Dee) Sams at urace@gcsu.edu

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GC Journeys

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Thank you,

OneUSG Connect Transition Team

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Human Resources, Office of

Register now for a 4-week mindfulness meditation class

Women's Center: Friday December 4, 2020

Curious about mindfulness meditation? Feeling extra stressed these days?

If either of those sounds like you, join us for Koru, a 4-week mindfulness meditation class. Koru is designed to be an introduction to the practice of mindfulness and will give participants the opportunity to learn several skills, including meditation, for managing stress and enriching their lives.

Koru's randomized, controlled trial shows the following results:

- Students reported feeling more calm
- Students improved their mindfulness
- Students felt more rested
- Students had greater self-compassion

This course will run from 11:00 am – 12:15 pm on Wednesdays starting December 9 (December 9, 16, 23, and January 6). This course will be held on Zoom, so no worries if you are traveling – you can join us from anywhere! This course is open to all members of the GC community, students, faculty, and staff. You can register at this link: https://bit.ly/2VC5lkx.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Women's Center

Bobcat Athletics Earns Presidents' Award for Academic Excellence

Athletics: Friday December 4, 2020

The NCAA released its annual list of schools earning the Presidents' Award for Academic Excellence Wednesday, with Georgia College Athletics bringing in the prestigious honor. The Bobcats were one of 42 schools to earn the honor in all of Division II, and just one of seven public schools on the list.



The NCAA Divison II Presidents' Award is presented to all member schools earning an Academic Success Rate (ASR) of 90 percent or better. GC posted a 90 percent ASR.

"Academic excellence is part of our DNA and I am so proud of our student-athletes and the coaches who lead them," said Wendell Staton, Director of Athletics. "We have an incredibly attractive university with an absolutely awesome faculty and staff that supports all of our students. This sustained excellence is another sign post indicating our student-athlete experience is Unique, Different, and Appealing. This experience helps prepare them the next phase as we Graduate Champions for Life."

The 90 percent mark is a four percent increase over last year's report for Georgia College.

"The graduation rates for our student-athletes places us in an elite group of schools," said Dr. J.J. Arias, GC Faculty Athletics Representative. "This is unsurprising given the high caliber of student-athletes we recruit and our excellent, supportive coaches."

The Academic Success Rate is the percentage of student-athletes who graduate within six years of initial collegiate enrollment and includes virtually all Division II student-athletes.

Unlike the federal rate, the Division II ASR includes nearly 34,000 non-scholarship student-athletes and accounts for those who transfer to a Division II school after initial enrollment elsewhere, while removing student-athletes who leave school while academically eligible. The national ASR for the four cohorts of student-athletes who entered college from 2010 to 2013 is 74%.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Athletics

Announcements Posted Monday December 7, 2020

Please join us as we launch Georgia College Athletics Inaugural Week of Giving Campaign, Together We Will!

Athletics: Monday December 7, 2020

Today through Friday, we are calling all faculty, staff, students, alumni, family, and fans to join together and participate in Georgia College Athletics Inaugural Week of Giving Campaign, Together We Will! You can make a gift to the team of your choice that will help our student-athletes reach new heights in 2021.



As we looks toward recommencing our athletic programs after the COVID-19 pandemic, we are facing some unique financial and logistical challenges. Together We Will (#TWW) is designed to provide much needed resources for our student-athletes as our University's sports teams prepare to resume competition in the Spring (2021). We hope you will consider being a part of our team by supporting us during this campaign!

Please join us as we position ourselves to be champions. Your gift will make a difference for our student-athletes and will spur us on toward success as we prepare for competition. Every dollar contributed goes directly and exclusively to our program.

As an added bonus, if we reach our goal of 200 donors, The Georgia College Foundation will match \$10,000 to GC Athletics!

Make a gift today!

Together We Will build Champions for Life. #TWW

For any questions, please contact Caroline Attaway at caroline.attaway@gcsu.edu or 478-445-1186.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Athletics

Internal Posting for Apprentice I - HVAC

Facilities Management: Monday December 7, 2020

Facilities Management is seeking internal candidates for the position of Apprentice I-HVAC. Anyone interested in applying for this position can visit the link, https://www.gcsujobs.com/hr/postings/8460 and apply. Application deadline is 12/11/2020.

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Facilities Management

GC's International Education Office and MURACE would like to share this great research presentation opportunity with all GC students.

GC Journeys: Monday December 7, 2020

For those accepted to present, MURACE refunds the registration fee. For details on how to be reimbursed for research presentation costs, visit GCSU.EDU/MURACE.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The student research unit at Zeppelin University is pleased to announce the sixth annual student research conference that, for the first time, will also host international undergraduate and graduate student researchers. After Oldenburg, Bochum, Berlin, Kiel, and Stuttgart Hohenheim, it is our privilege to hold the conference at our LakeCampus in Friedrichshafen at Lake Constance from April 21st - 22nd, 2021.

We invite students from all disciplines and courses that are enrolled at the time of registration at a university or any higher education institution. Students who want to present and discuss their research projects within a dynamic student research community should apply for the conference. Please, read the CALL carefully (see below and appended).

Of course, all other interested participants are also invited to attend the conference.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts has been extended. The new deadline is: 31th January 2021

Registration is open from January, 1st until February, 28th, 2021. Please register for the conference no later than 28 of February 2021.

The student research unit at Zeppelin University is thrilled to welcome undergraduate and graduate student researchers from all over the world to the ISRC (International Student Research Conference) 2021, which will be held at Lake Constance and virtually.

Presentation slots are limited. We ask all interested candidates to submit an abstract of no more than 500 words to studentresearch@zu.de with the subject line "Abstract [Name]: International Student Research Conference" by January 31, 2021. Please include your full name, university, and major / graduate program. Applications from individuals as well as groups with a joint project are possible.

The conference languages will be German and English. If you want to present your research in German, please make sure to write your abstract in German, too. Students can either plan a 10-15-minute presentation for an audience of peers, professors, guests, and professionals. Or they can organize an innovative format such as a panel or roundtable discussion or any other format that you see fit. Please make sure to specify the format of

your presentation. We advise you to discuss any innovative format prior to the submission deadline with Dr. Aynur Erdogan, Director of Student Research. Email: aynur.erdogan@zu.de.

All submissions must be based on original research conducted by the presenter/s, and they should circle around the topic areas of economics, politics, culture, and social sciences. Research projects may and should include inter- and multi-disciplinary approaches.

The conference will take place virtually extended, including innovative VR elements.

We are very pleased that Zeppelin UniversitätsGesellschaft e.V. subsidizes the participation fee of each participant. Students will only have to pay a conference fee of 25 EUR upon registration.

For more information about the conference please visit our website: https://www.zeppelin-university.com/isrc

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you at Zeppelin University in April 2021!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE GC Journeys

3 Georgia College Early College Students Receive Personally Delivered Early Action Acceptances

Early College: Monday December 7, 2020

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions had the pleasure of hand delivering three college acceptances to some of Georgia College's very own Early College students. These three students are among a competitive group of senior students who applied to Georgia College during the Early Action admissions cycle. Students accepted during this round of admissions have an average of a 3.6 GPA and demonstrate high ability, interest, involvement and more. Please join us in congratulating these three outstanding students on their acceptances into the Georgia College Bobcat Family!



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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Early College

OIE November Newsletter

Inclusive Excellence, Office of: Monday December 7, 2020

The Office of Inclusive Excellence's November 2020 newsletter is now available. Please click here to review. Thank you for reading!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Inclusive Excellence, Office of

Internal Posting for HVAC III - HVAC Controls Technician

Facilities Management: Monday December 7, 2020

Facilities Management is seeking internal candidates for the position of HVAC III - HVAC Controls Technician. Anyone interested in applying for this position can visit the link, http://www.gcsujobs.com/postings/8475 and apply. Application deadline is 12/11/2020.

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Facilities Management

Announcements Posted Tuesday December 8, 2020

Mail Services Now Operating From New Location

Mail Services: Tuesday December 8, 2020

Mail Services is operating from our new home in Sanford Hall. All services have returned to normal. We appreciate your patience during the move.

Mail Services Follow Mail Services on Facebook and Instagram.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Mail Services

Parking Advisory: Winter Break Parking Schedule and Shuttle Service

Parking & Transportation: Tuesday December 8, 2020

Please be advised the university follows an intersession parking schedule when class is not in session and the campus is still open for business.

For Winter Break, this includes now until Dec 24, and Jan. 4-15. During these times, resident and commuter-designated lots will be open to all valid university permit holders during regular enforcement hours, Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. However, employee-designated lots will only be open to those with a valid employee permit. For more information on permit types and lot locations and designations, visit www.gcsu.edu/parking. The university will return to a regular parking schedule Jan. 19.

Also, there is no shuttle service during Winter Break. The Spring 2021 shuttle schedule will begin Jan. 18.

Visit <u>www.gcsu.edu/parkingmap</u> to view our interactive parking map, and download the <u>TransLoc Rider</u> live shuttle map app to track the GC Shuttle in real time.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Parking & Transportation

Roger Folsom appointed to Georgia Board of Community Health by Governor

Leadership Programs : Tuesday December 8, 2020

Georgia College Leadership Advisory Board member Roger Folsom has been re-appointed to the Georgia Board of Community Health. Governor Brian Kemp issued the executive order on November 4th, and the Office of the Governor announced the new appointment on November 13th, following the board's most recent meeting.

Folsom will continue his service as vice-chairman of the board. His term expires in November 2023.

"I congratulate Mr. Folsom on his appointment, and I look forward to our continued work together on the Leadership Advisory Board and in service to our Georgia College students," said Dr. Harold Mock, director of leadership programs. "Governor Kemp recognizes Roger's many distinguished qualities and clearly knows how much the people of our state rely on his expertise and leadership."

The Board of Community Health governs Georgia's Department of Community Health, providing access to affordable and quality healthcare across the state. The Department of Community Health is responsible for improving the health outcomes of all Georgians, including healthcare planning, purchasing, and regulation. The Department serves as the lead agency for Medicaid and also oversees the State Health Benefit Plan and Healthcare Facility Regulation Division, impacting one in four of Georgia's citizens.

In addition to his service as vice-chairman of the Board of Community Health, Folsom also serves as chairman of the Dublin-Laurens Development Authority. He also is chairman of Fairview Park Hospital Board of Trustees, sits on the Board of Directors of Farmers State Bank, and was elected to the Board of Governors of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce. He is president and owner of Med1st, a home medical services and equipment company, and was formerly regional director of the Lutheran Healthcare System, based in Chicago.

Folsom has served as a mentor in the Georgia Education Mentorship Program (GEM) since 2012. He has served on the Leadership Advisory Board since this year. As a board member, he advises and supports Georgia College in developing deep and mutually beneficial relationships with external organizations, foundations, and government partners.

Folsom holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Valdosta State University and master's degree from the University of Georgia.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Leadership Programs

Announcements Posted Wednesday December 9, 2020

Academic Advising Is Here for You During Winter Break

Academic Advising Center: Wednesday December 9, 2020

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We look forward to assisting you with all your academic advising needs!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Academic Advising Center

Announcements Posted Thursday December 10, 2020

Athletics Inaugural Week of Giving Campaign Update

Athletics : Thursday December 10, 2020

We are halfway through Georgia College Athletics Inaugural Week of Giving Campaign, Together We Will, and we are blown away by all the support we have received so far! Over \$40,000 has been given from over 200 donors!



We still need your support in helping each team reach their goal of \$5,000. You can<u>make a gift</u> to the team of your choice that will help our student-athletes reach new heights in 2021.

Your gift will make a difference for our student-athletes and will spur us on toward success as we prepare for competition. Every dollar contributed goes directly and exclusively to our program.

Since we reached 200 donors, The Georgia College Foundation has matched \$10,000 to GC Athletics! Thank you everyone!

Make a gift today!

Together We Will build Champions for Life. #TWW

For any questions, please contact Caroline Attaway at <u>caroline.attaway@gcsu.edu</u> or 478-445-1186.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Athletics

2021 GCReads Theme: The Case for Civility

First-Year Experience: Thursday December 10, 2020

The GCReads committee is excited to announce that this fall we will be selecting essays under a broad theme. We hope the use of a theme will create more cohesion in the common read experience for first-year students, allowing for ongoing programming throughout the academic year. Our 2021 theme is "The Case for Civility" we believe this theme encompasses topics including, but not limited to, the connection between civility and: civic engagement, justice, politics, stress, leadership, creativity, the economy, and more. We are asking for your assistance in identifying potential essays. We would like to continue to offer approximately 15 essays for students and facilitators to select from, so multiple suggestions are welcome. Please send any essay ideas to erin.weston@gcsu.edu Essay suggestions will be accepted through February 1, 2021.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE First-Year Experience

Internal Posting - Custodial Supervisor

Facilities Management: Thursday December 10, 2020

Facilities Management is seeking internal candidates for the position of Custodial Supervisor. Anyone interested in applying for this position can visit the link, http://www.gcsujobs.com/postings/8508 and apply. Application deadline is 12/15/2020.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Facilities Management

Deadline 12/16: Spring 2021 Alternate Work Arrangement/Accommodation Request(s)

Human Resources, Office of : Thursday December 10, 2020

The deadline for 2021 Spring Alternate Work Arrangement/Accommodation Request(s) will be Wednesday, December 16, 2021 no later than 5:00 PM. This means any individual seeking a request for any form of work modification must submit the completed request form(s) and provide any necessary supporting documentation from treating physician(s) by this date and time. Everything must be submitted to Employee Relations as a complete packet. A reminder of where to locate the necessary forms and the process has been outlined below.

If you are interested in pursuing an alternate work arrangement and/or accommodation for Spring 2021 (any period of time during January 1 – May 31, 2020), you will need to do the following:

- 1) Visit the HR Intranet (must be logged into Unify to access), click on **NEW ** Spring 2021: Alternate Work Arrangement/Accommodation Request from the left navigation menu and retrieve the appropriate request form(s) based on your situation:
- a. USG COVID-19 Reasonable Accommodations Request Form: The University System of Georgia (USG) provides reasonable accommodations for employees with ADA defined disabilities OR who may be covered by public health emergency guidance when necessary. A reasonable accommodation is an accommodation that enables the employee to perform the essential functions of their position, is medically necessary, and does not create an undue hardship to the institution.
- i. This could be a request for equipment in your classroom and/or office space that will help you perform the essential functions of your job, an acrylic/plexiglass shield in your office space to provide a degree of separation for in-person interactions with other students, staff, and/or faculty members, etc.
- b. USG COVID-19 Alternate Work Arrangement: In addition to accommodations provided in accordance with the ADA, the University System of Georgia (USG) provides alternative work arrangements for employees in response to public health emergency guidance when it will enable the performance of the employee's essential functions and when doing so does not create an undue hardship to the institution.
- i. If you are not requesting an accommodation, but instead are requesting an alternate work arrangement (teaching classes online, performing your staff duties remotely,

reducing your number of on-campus instruction days, working a modified schedule that is outside of the "standard" 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, etc.), we recommend completing this form.

- 2) You will also need to retrieve the Notice to Physician form.
- 3) Fill out the request form(s) and submit the documentation, along with the Notice to Physician form, to your doctor.
- a. If your doctor provides you with a letter from their office, they must review your request and make a recommendation for your accommodation and/or alternate work arrangement. A letter verifying only your high-risk condition will not be sufficient for consideration.
- 4) Once completed, it is your responsibility to return the completed request form(s) AND completed paperwork from your physician to the Office of Human Resources. You may submit all completed paperwork in one of the following ways:
 - a. Schedule an appointment to hand-deliver the paperwork to Wooten-Garner
- b. Submit the paperwork in the lock-box on the front of the Wooten-Garner House and notify employeerelations@gcsu.edu that this has been done
 - c. Email the completed paperwork to employeerelations@gcsu.edu
 - d. Fax all completed paperwork to (478) 445-0491, Attn: Employee Relations

To access the HR Intranet, please follow these steps:

- 1. Login to Unify
- 2. Click on the Campus Resources tab across the top of the screen
- 3. On the right side of the screen, you will see links listed alphabetically under INTERNAL SITES (requires Unify); click on Human Resources
- 4. From the menu on the left side of the screen, click on **NEW** Spring 2021: Alternate Work Arrangement/Accommodation Request

We appreciate your continued flexibility throughout these unique times. If you have any questions, please contact employeerelations@gcsu.edu.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Human Resources, Office of

Internal Posting - Skilled Trades Worker II

Facilities Management: Thursday December 10, 2020

Facilities Management is seeking internal candidates for the position of Skilled Trades Worker II. Anyone interested in applying for this position can visit the link, http://www.gcsujobs.com/postings/8511 and apply. Application deadline is 12/15/2020.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Facilities Management

Announcements Posted Friday December 11, 2020

Information Technology | Maintenance Notice VoIP 5 PM 12/12/20

Information Technology: Friday December 11, 2020

Information Technology will be performing maintenance on the Voice Over IP (VoIP) phone system. It will begin at 5 pm on Saturday, 12/12/2020 with an estimated Sunday evening completion time. Inbound and Outbound VoIP calls should not be affected. During the maintenance process, Jabber users may experience brief outages. If you experience connection issues, please sign out and then sign in again. Unify will be updated when the maintenance is complete.

If you experience connection issues after the update is complete, please contact the <u>Serve Help Desk</u> or 478-445-7378.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Information Technology

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We look forward to assisting you with all your academic advising needs!

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Academic Advising Center

Last Day to participate in the Inaugural Athletics Week of Giving Campaign

Athletics : Friday December 11, 2020

Today is the last day you can participate in Georgia College Athletics Inaugural Week of Giving Campaign, Together We Will! After four full days of fundraising, we have had more than 330 gifts in support of 11 athletic teams and 9 projects raising more than \$46,000!



We still need your support in helping each team reach their goal of \$5,000. You can<u>make a gift</u> to the team of your choice by 5pm today athttps://crowdthunder.gcsu.edu/g/tww.

Your gift will make a difference for our student-athletes and will spur us on toward success as we prepare for competition. Every dollar contributed goes directly and exclusively to our program.

Since we reached 200 donors, The Georgia College Foundation has matched \$10,000 to GC Athletics! Thank you everyone!

Make a gift today!

Together We Will build Champions for Life. #TWW

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Athletics

Request a Mass Comm Practicum Student for Spring 2021

Communication, Department of: Friday December 11, 2020

Does your department or office need assistance with communication, promotion or publicity? A Mass Comm practicum student could help! Students in MSCM 2930 can assist on-campus departments and offices with a range of communication projects including: graphic design, short-form videography, digital media management including website content and social media channels, copy writing for blogs and press releases, and much more. (Please remember that communication products must be approved by University Communications prior to distribution.)

Mass Comm practicum students complete 45-60 hours for a 1.0 course credit. All practicums must be completed on campus and supervised by a Georgia College faculty or staff member. Spring practicum requests are due by COB Monday, January 11, 2021.

GCSU Covid 19 safety and health requirements apply for all practicum experiences.

Click here to request a Mass Comm practicum student: https://forms.gle/z5RyEJEEP5zb4mb4A

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Communication, Department of

Cary REU Program in Ecology

GC Journeys: Friday December 11, 2020

Cary REU Summer 2021 June 7 to August 2021 in Transactional Ecology application Deadline 1/29/2021.

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GC Journeys

Announcements Posted Monday December 14, 2020

The 2021 Emma Brodzik Scholarship

General Institution: Monday December 14, 2020

GC Shades of Green announces the 2021 Emma Brodzik Scholarship.

The \$500 Emma Brodzik Scholarship is available to students who meet the following criteria:

Students Applying Must ...

- 1) be a Georgia College & State University undergraduate, AND
- 2) be a first semester Senior or rising Senior (last semester of Junior year), AND
- 3) have a university GPA of 3.25 or greater, AND
- 4) be in the process of earning or have earned the GC Sustainability Certificate, OR an Environmental Science major, OR a member in good standing with the Environmental Science Club, OR on the GC Sustainability Council, OR on the GC Sustainability Fee Program.

Scholarship details:

- 1) The call for applications goes out each year as long as funds are available,
- 2) Applications are due to the Chair of the GC SOG by email to gcsog@gcsu.edu by February 15, 2021 with date TBD for each year as long as funding exists,
- 3) Applications are reviewed by all GC SOG Internal Executive Board Members,
- 4) The Internal Executive Board members will consider recommendations from the external Board and Junior Board members in their final award decision,
- 5) Awards will be announced at the GC SOG event each year and publicized on GC Front Page, GC social media, and in the local press, etc.,
- 6) Awards will be available to the recipient following the February funding decision.

Click on the link to the PDF for the application. Fill out completely, follow instructions carefully for the items requiring Word documents to be included with the application, sign and date in your handwriting, scan to pdf and return gcsog@gcsu.edu no later than noon on 02/15/21.

Click on the application here **PDF**

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GC SOG Internal Executive Board Member and Secretary

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

General Institution

Announcements Posted Tuesday December 15, 2020

Photo Contest Submissions Due Dec. 23, 2020

International Education Center: Tuesday December 15, 2020

The International Education Center's <u>Photo Contest</u> is accepting submissions until Dec. 23, 2020. This year's theme is "Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone." Winners will be announced during the <u>International Opportunities Virtual Fair</u> on Jan. 12, 2021. There will be prizes!



- Deadline to submit photos: Dec. 23, 2020
- Each contestant must be a Georgia College student.
- The contestant must have taken the photo(s).
- Amateur photographers only no professionals
- Photographs can be of people, animals, surroundings, landscapes, places, etc. anything that relates to the theme.
- Photos can be from ANY location; they do NOT have to be international.
- Photos can be made with any device: phone, point and shoot, digital cameras, or drones.
- Students may submit one to five photos.
- File size cannot exceed 10 MB per photo.
- Voting will be done online. Tell your friends!
- Click <u>HERE</u> for the submission page.
- When you submit, remember to explain how your photo relates to the theme "Stepping Outside of Your Comfort Zone."

For complete details visit the <u>Photo Contest Website</u>, where you can also submit photos. Email questions to <u>gcsustudyabroad@gmail.com</u>. (Do not email photos.) Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>: GCSUstudyabroad.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE



Study Abroad Advising Available During Winter Break

International Education Center: Tuesday December 15, 2020

Thinking of Studying Abroad or maybe an International Internship? The GC Study Abroad Advising Team is here for you throughout the break. Go to this link to schedule an appointment. Read below for info on our Photo Contest (now through Dec. 23) as well as the Winter Virtual Fair (Jan. 12 – 13) and other ways to learn about international opportunities.

Photo Contest: Calling for photos! This year's theme is "Stepping Outside of Your Comfort Zone." Deadline is Dec. 23. Photos do NOT have to be international. There will be prizes! Winners will be announced during the Winter Fair. Follow this link for contest details and to submit photos.

Drop-In Advising: Drop-in Advising/Info Sessions are held each week, Mondays – Thursdays, 2 – 3 PM via this WebEx link. No appointment is needed. These sessions will be briefly suspended Dec. 21 – Jan. 1, and will resume Jan. 4th.

Winter Virtual Fair: The Winter Opportunities Abroad Virtual Fair will be Jan. 12 – 13. Follow this link to <u>learn more and register</u>. Registration, which will begin in late December, is free but required.

Resources:

The <u>Program Discovery</u> link allows you to search all programs using any location or keyword.

Visit this link - <u>GC Border-Free Opportunities</u> - for our virtual programs. More are coming soon!

Email us at studyabroadinfo@gcsu.edu with any questions!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE International Education Center

Georgia College Department of Public Safety Hosts Crisis Intervention Team Training to Enhance Law Enforcement Response to Mental Health

Public Safety: Tuesday December 15, 2020

Police officers often find themselves responding to calls that involve persons with mental illness and/or those who may be experiencing a mental health crisis. Trained officers are better equipped to identify these situations and respond accordingly. December 7th through the 11th, the Georgia College Department of Public Safety had the privilege of hosting a session of the Georgia Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program on campus. This critical training program is coordinated by the Georgia Public Safety Training Center. The CIT training program prepares law enforcement officers and other public safety personnel with the skills to assist people with mental illness, co-occurring disorders, substance abuse, developmental disorders or other brain disorders who are in crisis, thereby advancing public safety and reducing stigma. This course is an intensive 40-hour, five-day curriculum that is comprised of both classroom instruction and practical exercises delivered by mental health professionals, other subject matter experts and CIT law enforcement instructors.

GC Public Safety produced five new graduates of the program on Friday (12/11/2020), bringing the department to its goal of having 100% of the current sworn staff complete this initiative. GC team members were joined by 17 other trainees, who represented seven additional state and local agencies. GC Public Safety remains committed to the professional development of its staff, and the department is proud to be able to share this accomplishment with the campus community.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Public Safety

Announcements Posted Wednesday December 16, 2020

Final Reminder, Deadline 12/16: Spring 2021 Alternate Work Arrangement/Accommodation Request(s)

Human Resources, Office of : Wednesday December 16, 2020

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We appreciate your continued flexibility throughout these unique times. If you have any questions, please contact employeerelations@gcsu.edu.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE Human Resources, Office of

80% Sale at the Mansion

Georgia's Old Governor's Mansion: Wednesday December 16, 2020

Come into the Mansion during our operating hours (Tuesday-Saturday 10:00-4:00 and Sunday 2:00-4:00) and check out our new sale! Everything on the tables in the Breezeway is an additional 80% off the price tag listed. This sale will go up to the holidays, so stop in and get your last minute Christmas gifts today!

Updated: 2020-12-16

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Georgia's Old Governor's Mansion

Announcements Posted Thursday December 17, 2020

Cultural Center Book Club on Mondays at Noon

Cultural Center: Thursday December 17, 2020

Cultural Center Book Club

Mondays at 12:00 PM

December 14-Jan.18

Looking for something to help you stay connected? Join the Cultural Center Book Club Mondays at noon. We will be reading Where Do We Go From Here? Chaos or Community by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Join in and listen as we read aloud, read along with us, and engage in discussion. You can also just hop on and listen! No pressure to read before-hand. We will read each chapter together. Then, join us in January for King Week 2021 and the Kick-Off Lecture event featuring King Scholar, Dr. Walter Earl Fluker.

Zoom Link: https://gcsu.zoom.us/j/98274813005

PDF of book found here: https://www.uni-five.com/upload/doc/82818file.pdf

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Cultural Center

Mail Services Closed Today

Mail Services: Thursday December 17, 2020

Due to a power outage, Mail Services will be closed today. The staff will conduct mail rounds as usual, but the office will be closed. If you need immediate assistance, please reach out to mailservices@gcsu.edu.

Updated: 2020-12-17

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Mail Services

Mail Services Reduced Hours

Mail Services: Thursday December 17, 2020

Please note these special hours of operation for Mail Services:

- Monday, 12/21 Thursday, 12/24
- No departmental route service
- Mail pick up available from 10 a.m. 2 p.m., mail sorting will be complete by 11 a.m. each day

If assistance is needed outside of these hours, please contact us a<u>mailservices@gcsu.edu</u>. Please remember we are operating from our new location in Sanford Hall.

Follow Mail Services on Facebook and Instagram.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE

Mail Services

REMINDER: Supplemental Graduate Assistant Requests | Deadline: 12/21/2020

The Graduate School: Thursday December 17, 2020

Administrative offices that wish to request a Supplemental Graduate Assistant (GA) for 2021-2022 should complete the Supplemental Graduate Assistant Request Form and submit it to Parris Story, parris.story@gcsu.edu on or before December 21, 2020. To complete the form, click here: https://forms.gle/MkSTHgxTeBvjSMSBA.

If you received a Supplemental Graduate Assistant allocation in prior years, you are still required to apply each year. This application does NOT relate to academic departments or graduate degree programs that have a "regular" state-funded Graduate Assistant allocation, but rather to the offices that typically hire or would want to hire a Supplemental Graduate Assistant for various administrative tasks.

The stipend for supplemental/administrative Graduate Assistants must be paid out of the hiring department's budget. Stipend amounts will often vary according to the hiring area. In the past, the average pay for Supplemental Graduate Assistants was \$2,315.

Review & Notification:

Requests will be reviewed by the Supplemental Graduate Assistant Committee and email notifications of decisions will be sent mid-January 2021. If approved, the deadline to hire a Supplemental Graduate Assistant will be September 3, 2021.

For questions, please contact Parris Story, parris.story@gcsu.edu or 478-445-8576.

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The Graduate School

Announcements Posted Friday December 18, 2020

Department of Transportation begins work to boost crosswalk safety around campus

University Communications : Friday December 18, 2020

The Georgia Department of Transportation began work shortly after the Thanksgiving holidays on the popular intersection of Clarke and Hancock Streets and the Ennis crosswalk.

A pedestrian scramble (also known as a Barnes Dance intersection) is being installed at Clarke and Hancock Streets. It will allow a large number of pedestrians to cross at the intersection by stopping all vehicles at the same time and giving a walk signal to pedestrians in all directions. This <u>video</u> shows how the scramble works.

A HAWK (High-Intensity Activated cross Walk) System is being installed at the Ennis crosswalk. Also known as Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons, the HAWK signal keeps traffic flowing until the pedestrian button has been pushed to activate the signal, then the light moves through several phases to stop traffic for pedestrian crossing. This <u>video</u> shows how the HAWK system works.

The goal is to prevent accidents by providing more protected movement. Both of these systems are designed to keep people from getting hit by cars when both drivers and pedestrians remain attentive and follow the signage as displayed.

Please be aware of these changes as both pedestrians and drivers around campus. More information will be communicated as we approach the activation of the changes.

The Georgia Department of Transportation is planning to complete the work in both crossings by the end of the holiday break, so the changes will be in place by the time classes being in January.

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Holiday Break Preparations - Assistance Needed From/For All

Sustainability, Office of: Friday December 18, 2020

As the end of the year is here, Facilities Management will make special provisions to reduce energy consumption over the holiday break. To augment this effort, your assistance will be greatly appreciated by performing the following tasks before you leave:

- 1. Turn off all lights including display case lighting.
- 2. Power down and unplug all non-essential energy-consuming sources (computers, printers, projects, refrigerators, space heaters, phone chargers, televisions, etc.).
- 3. Remove food and liquid waste from refrigerators/offices and place these items in the common areas (kitchens, lounges) or discard in waste containers.
- 4. Where applicable, adjust thermostats to 70 degrees.
- 5. Close and lock all windows and doors.
- 6. Where applicable, open window blinds.
- 7. Conduct a walkthrough of your building, identify any potential problems and report them to Maintenance Direct.

Facilities Management will reduce building heating levels and shut down some air conditioning systems over the holiday period. Be aware, this means that some buildings might be uncomfortably cold or warm, depending on the weather conditions during that time. Normal operations will resume Monday, Jan. 4.

Thank you for your cooperation in these energy saving tasks. Have a safe holiday break!

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Walker named Director of Russell Library

University Communications : Friday December 18, 2020

Georgia College is pleased to announce that Dr. Shaundra Walker will serve as Director of the Ina Dillard Russell Library effective January 1, 2021.

As a member of the faculty, Dr. Walker has held various administrative positions at Georgia College including the role of Interim Library Director since 2016. While interim director, she worked closely with the faculty and revised the promotion and tenure policy for the first time in ten years. She also increased the library's contribution to the Core by developing and delivering GC1Y sections, engaged in budget prioritization and redirection efforts, restructured existing positions, and combined two legacy staff positions to secure



a new Community Engagement Archivist tenure-track faculty line. In addition, she provided oversight for the improvement of various library spaces that included the creation of an active learning classroom and a refurbished Times Talk space. She is currently engaged in completing a project focusing on expanding the library's Special Collections and University Archives area.

"Dr. Walker is a dedicated academic leader whose contributions have advanced Georgia College," said Dr. Costas Spirou, provost and vice president of academic affairs. "I look forward to her continued success as she leads the Ina Dillard Russell Library."

Dr. Walker's scholarship includes presentations at national conferences and publications focusing on the role of African Americans in Library Science and Critical Race Theory. She also received grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities. Dr. Walker completed the ACRL/Harvard Academic Leadership Institute and was recently recognized as the recipient of the 2020 DEMCO/Black Caucus of the American Library Association Award for Excellence in Librarianship.

Dr. Walker holds a B.A. degree from Spelman College, an MSLIS from Clark Atlanta University, and a Ph.D. from Mercer University.

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Quarantine Guidance Update

University Communications: Friday December 18, 2020

Dear Campus Community:

The CDC has updated its guidance regarding the quarantine period for those who have been exposed to COVID-positive individuals. The University System of Georgia has allowed individual institutions to implement policies that are adapted well to their unique needs and capabilities. Georgia College will maintain its current 14-day quarantine policy.

As always, Human Resources and Student Health Services will always take individual circumstances into account, within the existing parameters of CDC and GaDPH guidelines, when providing guidance to employees and students respectively.

Have a safe holiday season!

Angie Childre
Interim Director of Student Health Services

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Announcements Posted Monday December 21, 2020

Introducing New GC Mental Health Resources

Student Life, Office of: Monday December 21, 2020

Dear Students:

I am thrilled to share some exciting news regarding important resources that will be available to you beginning January 1, 2021. The University System of Georgia (USG) has launched a comprehensive plan to significantly expand student mental health services during the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is being funded by an allocation of the Governors Emergency Education Relief (GEER) fund and will allow every student to have access to support whenever and wherever they need it.

At Georgia College we will be able to access the USG program to support the health and safety of our students. As such we will be partnering with Christie Campus Health in our launch of GC Mental Health. We recognize that the needs of students vary significantly and supports need to be broad in scope and tailored to meet the pressures impacting individuals. Through GC Mental Health, students will have access to the following:

- A 24/7/365 mental health support line for in-the-moment support and linkages to next steps, regardless of time of day or your location
- No-cost telehealth and in-person treatment sessions provided by a diverse network of licensed mental health clinicians
- Virtual Psychiatric Clinics to offer assessment and medication management
- Personal Student Navigators to assist with referral coordination and support
- A Self-directed iCBT program designed exclusively for students
- "The Wellness Hub" which includes an App and an online wellness magazine with educational content, self-help tools and resource links

These resources are in addition to the existing Counseling Services department on campus. I am very excited to bring GC Mental Health to our campus as an innovative way to enhance our mental health services and support our students' success. I look forward to working with the campus community to ensure that we are doing all we can to ensure the health and safety of our students.

You'll be receiving more information about this exciting initiative after the start of the new year.

Stay well!

Sincerely, Dr. Shawn Brooks Vice President for Student Life

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Student Life, Office of

Internal Posting- Purchasing Assistant

Materials Management: Monday December 21, 2020

Materials Management is seeking internal candidates for the position of Purchasing Assistant in the Purchasing Department. Anyone interested in applying for this position can visit the link, https://www.gcsujobs.com/postings/8544, and apply. Application deadline is 1/5/2021.

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Materials Management

Santa's Elves / Academic Advisors - What's the Difference?

Academic Advising Center: Monday December 21, 2020

Like Santa's Elves, the AAC is hard at work all the way up to Christmas Eve! If you should need any assistance during your Winter Break, please use the "Schedule an Academic Advising Appointment" link in Unify to arrange a Web Conference with your Academic Advisor. Holiday-brain made you uncertain with whom you should schedule? Check our Academic Advising Staff page for each Academic Advisor's Area of Focus. Of course, if you encounter any issues – or find yourself in need of a little help with scheduling – please call our Front Desk at (478)445-2361 during the hours of 8 am – 5 pm, Monday through Friday on dates when the Georgia College Campus is open.

Have a Wonderful Winter Break -

The AAC

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Academic Advising Center

Covid-19: Re-Entry Test Clinic for Faculty & Staff

Human Resources, Office of : Monday December 21, 2020

On January 5, 2021, Georgia College, in partnership with MedLake Laboratories, will offer a Covid-19 Testing Clinic for Faculty & Staff members. If you believe you have been exposed or want confirmation that you are negative before you immerse yourself into your work environment and students return to campus, we will have trained professionals on site to administer the test at no charge to you.

This is NOT a vaccine clinic; this is an opportunity for faculty and staff to take a Covid-19 test if they choose to do so.

Appointments are highly encouraged; please follow the steps below to schedule your appointment:

- 1) Visit the <u>HR appointment site</u>
- 2) Select "January 5: Covid-19 Test Appointment, 9A-3P" as the service you are seeking from the options at the top of the page.
- 3) In the calendar below the list of available services where you clicked on the appointment type mentioned above, scroll over to January 5, 2021 and click on that date from the calendar. The date will show a blue circle around "5" once you have clicked on it.
- 4) On the right side of the screen, you will see any available time for appointments available to you. This is only available from 9:00 AM 3:00 PM. ***Appointments scheduled outside this window of time will not be considered.***

Location: Terrell Hall, Room 310

Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Appointments are available in 15 minute increments, but walk-ups will be worked in as time permits. Please know that if you do not schedule an appointment and choose to walk-up, you may have to wait for an undetermined amount of time. *Appointments are highly encouraged in order to minimize the number of people who have to gather in a common space to wait to be seen.

IF YOU SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT BUT BECOME SYMPTOMATIC, please contact (478) 445-5596 to speak with someone regarding your options. We respectfully request that you NOT report to your appointment if you are exhibiting symptoms associated with Covid-19 in order to minimize possible exposure and/or viral transmittal to others who are waiting, socially distanced, in the common space outside of the testing location. We will do our best to accommodate you, but ask that you notify us if you develop any symptoms prior to reporting for your appointment. Thank you.

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December 2020 CTL Newsletter

Center for Teaching & Learning: Monday December 21, 2020

Please see the attached December CTL Newsletter for more information on:

- Focus on Faculty Mr. Matthew Forrest
- Holiday Wishes from the CTL
- News from the CTL Center for Teaching and Learning Collection
- CTL Teaching Tips Start of Semester Course Checklist; Memes and GIFs as Powerful Classroom Tools
- News from IT
- CTL Virtual Workshops for Spring 2021
- News from the Library Dr. Walker Named Director of Russell Library; Library Hours for Winter Break; Affordable Learning Georgia - Affordable Materials Grants; Affordable Learning Georgia Grant Information Session

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Center for Teaching & Learning

ATTACHMENT

Notes about attachments are on the second page of this document. CTL Newsletter December 2020.pdf

Announcements Posted Tuesday December 22, 2020

Spring Semester Update

University Communications: Tuesday December 22, 2020

Dear Campus Colleagues:

We know that each of you have experienced tremendous difficulties and challenges as we prepared our campus for face-to-face instruction for the Fall semester. Reopening the campus and keeping yourselves and each other safe would not have been possible without your devotion and deep commitment. Throughout Georgia College's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have remained focused on the health and safety of our faculty, staff and students. This commitment has never wavered, and it remains central to our operations as we begin the Spring semester.

We anticipate starting Spring semester 2021 much like the Fall with face-to-face instruction along with social distancing and other important <u>mitigation efforts</u> on campus. To accomplish social distancing, classroom settings will be reconfigured once again, and section sizes will be reduced with larger rooms continuing to be part of the schedule. Limited student activity programming will be enhanced in accordance with CDC guidelines.

Georgia College will continue to follow the guidance from the Georgia Department of Public Health (GDPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as the USG to ensure that we create a safe environment for everyone on campus. To this end, we are maintaining an ample stock of personal protective equipment (PPE), including washable cloth and disposable face masks, disinfectants, and sanitizing materials. We will continue to request that individual office areas are sanitized while Building Services will continue to routinely clean and sanitize the common areas. For additional PPE or assistance in cleaning or sanitizing workspaces, please submit work orders by calling 478-445-4279 or call Shea Groebner 478-445-2043. Face masks will continue to be required for anyone entering campus and where at least six feet of social distancing will be difficult to maintain.

Individuals who fall into high-risk categories for severe illness with COVID-19 may request alternate work arrangements. If you believe you fall into a high-risk category that would make you a vulnerable employee, please contact Amber Collins (478-445-4236) at the Georgia College Human Resources Office. Human Resources will review the request and, upon approval, will work with the employee and their immediate supervisor in documenting and providing for an alternate work arrangement.

The tent set-up in the Bell Hall parking lot will be available for usage throughout Spring semester for classes or meeting space. For buildings with HVAC controls, the HVAC shop

will continue programming the air conditioning and heating systems to bring in more outside air for improved ventilation. System filters have also been upgraded to minimize the chances of the HVAC system spreading the virus.

All employees will continue to be strongly encouraged to self-monitor before entering campus, and contact Human Resources if any COVID-19 symptoms are experienced. COVID related safety signage will continue to be used as well as other communication to motivate all members of our community and visitors to take the necessary precautions needed to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Additional coronavirus updates can be found online.

Non-essential travel continues to be restricted for USG employees. During the pandemic, faculty, staff and students are limited to essential business travel only. This will require travel approval and completion of a Travel Authorization Form. If pandemic restrictions ease during the semester, the campus community will be notified accordingly.

Student Health Services in conjunction with Medlake will make COVID-19 testing available for faculty and staff on Tuesday, January 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Human Resources will be setting up appointments upon employee requests so they will not have to wait (although walk-ins will not be turned away). If we experience overwhelming demand, Wednesday, January 6 will be added as an additional testing day. The testing locations will be communicated via Front Page, so please stay tuned.

We also plan to make student testing available on Tuesday, January 19 and Wednesday, January 20 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. We strongly encourage students to get tested prior to returning to campus, and more information about these testing dates will be communicated to our students within the first week of January.

We want to take this opportunity to wish each of you a safe, restful, and enjoyable holiday season.

Warm Regards,

Dr. Costas Spirou, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Ms. Susan Allen, Vice President for Finance and Administration Dr. Shawn Brooks, Vice President for Student Life

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Vice President for University Advancement Candidate Open Forum Presentation Dates

President, Office of the: Tuesday December 22, 2020

The Vice President for University Advancement search committee is excited to announce that there will be five (5) candidates visiting Georgia College on the following dates:

Tuesday, January 5

Wednesday, January 6

Thursday, January 7

Friday, January 8

Tuesday, January 12

Each candidate will present at 3:15 pm on the dates noted, on the topic -- "Leading an advancement team in today's higher education environment with diversity, equity, and inclusion in mind". The open forum presentation will have limited seating in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room, so we are requesting that everyone please attend virtually. A Zoom link for each session, along with a candidate feedback form, will be provided to the campus community through Frontpage the day before each candidate is on campus.

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President, Office of the

Announcements Posted Wednesday December 23, 2020

Happy Holidays from the Academic Advising Center!

Academic Advising Center: Wednesday December 23, 2020

The Academic Advising Center wishes all a happy holiday and a wonderful new year.



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Academic Advising Center

Announcements Posted Thursday December 24, 2020

Spring 2021 Student Research (SRC) Virtual Conference March 26, 2021

GC Journeys: Thursday December 24, 2020

Faculty and Teaching Staff

Are you willing to take on the challenge of helping prepare for the GC SRC 2021 Virtual Conference? Presentations will be through Gather Town (this was successfully used at the Research Roundup Nov. 2020). We, at MURACE, would love to have your assistance in planning the sessions. This opportunity is a low commitment way to serve the university to provide undergraduates a safe opportunity to present their research during a Pandemic. Please contact us at urace@gcsu.edu if you are able to spare a couple of hours in January and February to assist.

Happy Holidays!

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International Opportunities Virtual Fair Jan. 12 – 13, 2021 - Register Now

International Education Center: Thursday December 24, 2020

This Fair is your "one-stop shop" to explore study abroad, international internships, GC Border-Free (virtual) Study Abroad, and other international opportunities! On Jan. 12 - 13 you can join live info sessions, access content only available during this Fair, and get your questions answered! Some live sessions require preregistration, so be sure to register for the Fair by Jan. 11 and access the Schedule of Events to see what will be happening!

Use this Link to learn more and register for the Winter Fair.

As you wait for the Fair to begin, how can you find out about GC international opportunities?

- The Program Discovery link allows you to search all programs using any keyword.
- Visiting the <u>GC Border Free Opportunities</u> link, will open up info on virtual international programs.
- View this link for a recorded Study Abroad Information session.
- Attend a Drop-in Advising session, held every Monday through Thursday, 2-3 p.m. via this <u>WebEx link</u>. Drop-in at your convenience! No appointment needed. These sessions are briefly suspended for the holiday break, and will resume Jan. 4th.
 - \circ During the Fair on Jan. 12 and 13, Drop-In Advising will be extended: 1 3 p.m.

Don't Forget - Go to the Fair Link to learn more and register by Jan. 11!

Email studyabroadinfo@gcsu.edu with any questions.

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