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Announcements Posted Monday October 3, 2022

Student Health Services : Monday October 3, 2022

It is that time of year, and flu shots are here at Student Health!

For your convenience, you can get your seasonal flu vaccine on Main Campus by the Fountain outside of A&S from 10:00 to 2:00 on Tuesday, October 4th. Drop-by anytime to get your shot!

There is no out-of-pocket fee for the flu vaccine. Please bring your insurance card or insurance information when you come.

You can also drop in the Student Health clinic on West Campus any time and any day during open hours of 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to get your flu vaccine. No appointment needed.

We highly recommend that all students get their annual Influenza (flu) vaccine to help keep you healthy this Fall semester. Remember to protect, don't infect!

Stay Healthy Bobcats!

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Student Health Services
Imagine 2030: Faculty and Staff Insights on the Next Strategic Plan

General Institution: Monday October 3, 2022

Were you unable to participate in an Imagine 2030 Focus Group? We still want to hear from you! Please share your thoughts on the Imagine 2030 Faculty/Staff Focus Group Feedback Form.

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General Institution
TRS: Reminder, Beneficiary Designation

Human Resources, Office of : Monday October 3, 2022

For those of you enrolled in TRS, have you designated a TRS beneficiary? Have you checked yours lately to see if it’s up-to-date? Be sure you’re leaving any remaining benefits to the right people.

As required by Georgia law, TRS must pay remaining benefits at the time you pass away based on the latest designation in your TRS file. Wills, marriage licenses, divorce decrees, life insurance policies or other documents cannot be used to determine your beneficiary, so be sure you’ve made your TRS designation. It’s easy – register or log in to your TRS account at www.trsga.com to do it now!

*If you experience issues logging in to your TRSGA account, please call the TRS Call Center at (404) 352-6500; the Office of Human Resources does not have access to this information and is unable to assist with this.

You can also watch a short TRS video highlighting the importance of adding or updating TRS beneficiaries and where to go in your TRS account to make these changes here. (If the video link doesn't work, please copy and paste the following link in your browser: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7TQznNctuTk)

Don’t forget to visit www.trsga.com and look for the yellow log in button at the top (computer) or under the menu (mobile) to update your beneficiaries!

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Diversity 360 Series: Stepping Out of Cultural Comfort Zones

The Office of Inclusive Excellence, in collaboration with the Department of Government & Sociology, will present Stepping Out of Our Cultural Comfort Zones. The program will be held Monday, October 17 at 12 p.m. It is part of OIE’s Diversity 360 Series.

The comfort zone is the place we find people we perceive to be most like us in terms of values, beliefs, customs, and worldview. While the comfort zone is a nice place to be, it does not boost cultural competence. That’s because the comfort zone doesn’t offer differing viewpoints and perspectives. It doesn’t offer different ideas or solutions to problems. It doesn’t make us think outside the box. It doesn’t challenge us to consider the impact of our values, perspectives, and behaviors or the notion that different people may see the world in diverse ways.

If you want to increase your cultural competence and improve your ability to communicate across cultural differences, you need to step outside of your comfort zone. Dr. Sandra Godwin, Associate Professor in the Department of Government & Sociology, will discuss ways to empower our GC community with the tools needed to step out of our cultural comfort zones; thereby, improving not only our cultural competence but our campus climate.

Please follow this link to register to attend and receive the Zoom link to join the event on October 17

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Toy Drive Benefitting One Safe Place Macon

Government & Sociology, Department of : Monday October 3, 2022

Students in CRJU 4950 Victimology are hosting a toy drive benefitting One Safe Place Macon, a Family Justice Center serving victims of family violence. The toys will be supplied for the children's playroom at One Safe Place. We are accepting toys that are appropriate for children who may have been exposed to or victimized by family violence. Please consider donating individual toys, books, fidget items, board games, comfort toys, or stuffed animals. Boxes are located in the Library (1st floor) and A&S 205 (Department of Government and Sociology office) from October 3-December 2. Thank you so much for your help.

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Second Request Period for Peer Feedback on Teaching (PFoT) Opens Soon

Center for Teaching & Learning: Monday October 3, 2022

The goal of Peer Feedback on Teaching (PFoT) is to provide support to help you improve the quality of learning in your classroom. Deliberate, continuous improvement of one’s teaching is one of the great joys of being a professor, and our trained observers enjoy the opportunity to work with you as you develop yourself. We utilize a strengths-based method to help you discover and build upon your strengths in the classroom.

The second request period for PFoTs will be offered from October 10 through October 28 for both in-person and synchronous online courses. If you are interested in scheduling a PFoT, please contact the Center for Teaching and Learning, providing at least a week’s notice for scheduling.

For more information about Peer Feedback on Teaching, please visit Midterm Course Feedback.

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Center for Teaching & Learning
HELP US THANK THE LC TUTORS

The Learning Center: Monday October 3, 2022

Can you believe it???? In just seven weeks, our tutors have over 1,383 hours in STEM and Economics, with over 1,110 visits. AND, our Math Lab ULAs have helped students with 1,600 visits! The reach of our LC tutors extends beyond tutoring – they facilitate Excel Bootcamps and Academic Workshops, serve in leadership roles, and assist students in time management. These peer tutors go way above and beyond to make time to help their fellow GC students.

The Learning Center joins with learning assistance professionals all over the globe to celebrate National Tutor Appreciation this week, October 3rd through the 7th. GCSU’s tutors work hard to help students succeed in and out of the classroom, providing content support, time management strategies, and encouragement when needed. Stop by the Learning Center and Math Lab this week to sign our thank you card or please just drop by to thank our tutors. Feel free to bring cookies, drop off coffee, or just notes of appreciation- help us celebrate their work!

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The Learning Center
Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Newsletter

Women's Center : Monday October 3, 2022

Check out this week's edition of the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Update! You can view it here: https://www.smore.com/xc23j-weekly-update

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NEW MURACE $500 Student Conference Travel Funding Application

Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE) : Tuesday October 4, 2022

The new, streamlined Student Conference Travel Funding Application is open now!

Did you know that ALL current GCSU undergraduate students are eligible for up to $500 in student conference travel reimbursements from the office of MURACE?

Students from ALL disciplines working on mentored research and creative projects are welcome to apply! We especially encourage students from the arts, humanities, and first- and second-year students to apply to make sure that MURACE funding reaches as many students as possible.

The new application can be found at: https://tinyurl.com/muracetravelfunds

For specific instructions on how to apply visit: https://www.gcsu.edu/murace/student-individual-travel-grant

For questions, please email Faculty Director, Dr. Stefanie Sevcik at urace@gcsu.edu

Want to learn more about MURACE at GC and about the new application process?

If you'd like to pursue Undergraduate Research at Georgia College, but don't really know where to start, sign up to attend workshops at the MURACE Symposium on Monday, October 17th from 11am-4pm. You’ll get to meet faculty and students who care about MURACE, listen to performances by student ensembles, and have all of your questions answered to get your research career off the ground at Georgia College!

Please register by 10/10 to ensure your lunch will be available at: https://tinyurl.com/muracesymposium

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Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE)
Georgia College Leadership Programs Publishes Ideas Bulletin

Leadership Programs: Tuesday October 4, 2022

This week, Georgia College will publish the Ideas Bulletin, a compendium of the many ideas and concepts shared through Georgia College’s Inspire! Forum and Usery Forum on Leadership.

The Ideas Bulletin offers profiles of each presenter in the 2021 series. Presenters included:

- Jane Kim Coloseus, Executive Director of HerTerm.
- Dr. Rae André, Professor Emerita of Management and Organizational Development at Northeastern University and sustainability educator and environmental activist.
- Richard T. Griffiths, Vice President and Senior Editorial Director (ret.), CNN.
- Greg Bluestein, political reporter, Atlanta Journal-Constitution.
- Rose Scott, host and executive producer, NPR WABE 90.1 Atlanta.
- Dr. Dana Winters, Rita McGinley Endowed Executive Director, Fred Rogers Center for Early Learning & Children’s Media.

The Inspire! Forum on Leadership is Georgia College’s presentation-discussion series on leadership for the public good. The Usery Forum on Leadership is part of the Inspire! Forum series and is supported by a generous gift from the Kim Usery Foundation. The goal of the series, named for former U.S. Secretary of Labor Bill Usery, is to focus on leadership that: brings people together, bridging divides and spanning boundaries; finds value in diverse new perspectives, and showcases innovations in leadership and service, particularly related to creating mutual benefit in civic life.

“We aim for research, service, and scholarship that will inform public discourse and contribute meaningfully to the public good,” says Harold Mock, director of leadership programs. “Our Usery Forum on Leadership and Inspire! Forum represent the best of those efforts.”

“Our Usery Forums allow me to interact and ask questions to industry leaders and changemakers from all over the country,” says Grace Kearney ’22. “I leave each forum with the tools and resources to make change in my own field and community.”

To learn more and to join future forums, please visit leadcreatively.org. Download the Ideas Bulletin online.

Georgia College’s Office of Leadership Programs provides teaching, research, and public service related to leadership, citizenship, democracy, and public affairs. With the support of a distinguished faculty and practitioners, we educate the next generation of Georgia's leaders for the public good. Our programs bring together scholars and students, as well as business leaders, non-profit executives, journalists, and public officials, and offer a trusted forum on citizen-leadership and pressing issues of the day.

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Times Talk Wednesday October 5, noon-12:50, “It's not just you: Pandemic, Political, and Economic Stress - Finding Peace in Chaotic Times"

American Democracy Project : Tuesday October 4, 2022

Join us in room 241 Russell Library for an insightful and engaging discussion facilitated by Dr. Joanna Schwartz, Professor of Marketing on the topic “It’s not just you: Pandemic, Political, and Economic Stress - Finding Peace in Chaotic Times”

The following New York Times articles will be referenced during the discussion so feel free to read them ahead of time; Mental Health is Political at https://www.nytimes.com/2022/09/20/opinion/us-mental-health-politics.html?smid=url-share and How to Improve Your mental Health in 2022 at https://www.nytimes.com/2021/12/30/well/mind/mental-health-advice-2022.html?smid=url-share

Times Talk at Georgia College is celebrating 18 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly discussion series on current and significant public events and issues as reported by the New York Times and other reputable news sources. The topics change weekly and are chosen and facilitated by volunteer faculty, staff, students, and community members. Times Talks are open to all campus and local community members. Just bring your brain, free pizza provided! Brought to you by the American Democracy Project at Georgia College and the Ina Dillard Russell Library.

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American Democracy Project
Reminder: Notice of Availability for the 2022 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

Inclusive Excellence, Office of : Tuesday October 4, 2022

Georgia College & State University is committed to keeping all members of the GCSU community informed about issues that affect campus safety, and we encourage everyone to take a vested interest in their own safety and security.

To comply with regulations from the United States Department of Education and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, GCSU prepares an Annual Security and Fire Safety Report. This email is intended to serve as a notification to the campus community that the 2022 report is now available. The report can be found attached to this email, on the Campus Crime Information page on the GCSU Department of Public Safety website, or by clicking here: https://www.gcsu.edu/sites/default/files/documents/2022-09/ASFSR%202022.pdf

The Annual Security and Fire Safety Report contains statistics for the previous three calendar years (2019-2021) on crimes that were reported to have occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by GCSU, in student housing facilities and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The report also includes statistics on fires reported to have occurred in student housing facilities for the previous three calendar years (2019-2021).

In addition to the statistical disclosures, the report contains information on campus security and personal safety topics. Among these topics are crime prevention, fire safety, the GCSU Department of Public Safety, crime reportable policies, the institution’s response to sexual misconduct, policies for missing students, drug and alcohol policies, disciplinary procedures, emergency notifications and other matters of importance related to safety and security on campus.

For additional information regarding this report or/and you need this document in an alternate format for accessibility purposes (e.g. Braille, large print, audio, etc.), please contact GCSU’s Clery Compliance Officer at clery@gcsu.edu or 478-445-8274.

On behalf of the GCSU Clery Compliance Committee, thank you for staying safe by being informed.

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Inclusive Excellence, Office of
Don't forget to take the Georgia College Dining survey!

Dining Services : Wednesday October 5, 2022

Take the Dining survey and be entered to win a FREE pair of Air pods! We would love to hear your feedback! Take the survey online or scan the QR code to take the survey on mobile! The survey is open until October 8th!

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Dining Services
SAVE THE DATE: 1st Annual GCSU Celebration of Research and the Arts on March 29

Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE) : Wednesday October 5, 2022

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Special streams this year include: Women's and Gender Studies, Graduate Studies, and Digital Humanities

This event will take place on March 29th across the campus, so bring your students out to share the wealth of research and creative work at GCSU! The proposal submission portal will open on November 1st, so start writing your proposals now. More information to come...

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE)
CTL to Help Place Materials in Your GeorgiaVIEW Courses

Center for Teaching & Learning : Wednesday October 5, 2022

As an additional support service, the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) is now offering to help put your resources into your course in GeorgiaVIEW for you. You've developed the resources; now, let the CTL help you incorporate your course-specific resources directly into our learning management system. Just specify what you need by completing the form below, send us your course resource(s), or tell us what you want to put in your course, and we will put it into GeorgiaVIEW for you.

To begin the process, please complete this form. Let us know if you have any questions!

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News You Can Use
Department of Music Strategic Planning Survey

Music, Department of : Wednesday October 5, 2022

The GC Department of Music invites all faculty and staff to participate in their strategic planning process by responding to this online survey.

Thank you!

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The Late-Night Shuttle line will not be running on Saturday, October 8.

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Join the Women’s Center & LGBTQ+ Programs for this crowd-favorite interactive workshop - Relationships: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly on Wednesday, October 5th at 5:30 p.m. at the HUB! We’ll talk about signs of healthy, toxic, and unhealthy relationships, as well as skills (e.g. setting boundaries, effective communication, etc.) to navigate all three!

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News You Can Use
Please see the attached September CTL Newsletter for more information on:

- Community-based Engaged Learning Framework for Success Spotlight
- Recognition Won by Thank-a-Teacher Nominees
- Advice for New Instructors from Award-Winning Faculty and Thank-a-Teacher Nominees
- News from the CTL - Now Open: Small-Group Instructional Diagnosis (SGID) Request Period; Student Rating of Instruction Survey (SRIS): Verify Your Courses by October 7; Opening Soon: Second Peer Feedback on Teaching (PFoT) Session for Fall 2022; Call for Proposals: GC Journeys Community-based Engaged Learning Grants
- Upcoming CTL Workshops
Benefit & Well-being Fair TOMORROW: Thursday, 10/06/2022

Human Resources, Office of : Wednesday October 5, 2022

The Benefits Fair is BACK! We will be hosting this in-person event on October 6, 2022 in the Magnolia Ballroom/Student Activities Center from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM (all vendors will take lunch from 12:00-1:00 PM and will not be available to assist employees during this hour). Many of our benefit and retirement vendors will be present and committed to speaking directly to YOU on this day. They will bring materials specific to their area of expertise, and they may even have some goodies for you to leave with, so please come prepared with your questions! As usual, we have partnered with our designated providers to offer biometric screenings and flu shots this day as well for those who were able to schedule appointments (communication was previously circulated via FrontPage regarding sign-up).

This year, we are also adding new vendors and will be hosting a Well-being Fair simultaneously. Some of our benefit vendors will serve double duty for Benefits and Well-being, but we will also be inviting some new, local vendors who will be present to provide information on the ways their products and/or services can help you accomplish your well-being goals.

Mark your calendars for October 6th from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM – this Benefit & Well-being Fair in Magnolia Ballroom/Student Activities Center will be your one-stop shop for all things Benefits and Well-being. We can’t wait to see you at this year’s Fair!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
Get ready to rumble during First Friday

News You Can Use: Wednesday October 5, 2022

Get ready to rumble as the Georgia Independent Professional Wrestling Alliance brings an evening of wrestling excitement to First Friday.

First Friday’s main event will be the GIWA heavyweight Championship match between “The Nashville Nightmare,” Chris Nelms, and “The Big Game Hunter,” Johnny Camo!

Fans will have an opportunity to meet the wrestlers during a meet and greet session after the match.

There also will be prizes and free gifts for the first 70 kids to enter the event. This First Friday is certain to be an epic smack down; so bring a chair and be ready to make some NOISE!

Skyla Yates will be set up with an amazing face painting station. Food Fair LLC. will be selling plenty of snack items like funnel cakes, fried Oreo’s, cotton candy, candy apples, and popcorn to enjoy. Kona Ice will be there to cool everyone off with their shaved ice. And PaPa Peanut will be there selling boiled peanuts. Several nonprofits will be entertaining the kids with games and activities to participate in as well.

For more information about First Friday or how to get involved, contact Milledgeville Main Street by phone at 478-414-4014 or by email mainstreetdesk@milledgevillega.us.

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Information Technology - Microsoft Training for faculty & staff

Information Technology: Thursday October 6, 2022

Information Technology is pleased to announce the following Microsoft training opportunities for faculty & staff. Sign up now and take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

Microsoft OneNote - 10/12/2022, 2-3 pm - Register here. Once registered, join the event here.
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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
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Join our local Law Enforcement and Faith Communities for the 2nd annual Faith & Blue event

News You Can Use: Thursday October 6, 2022

The Baldwin County Sheriff’s Office, the Georgia State Patrol, and the Milledgeville Police Department invite our community to get together from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Friday, October 7, 2022, at the new Baldwin County Annex for fellowship and fun at our Second Annual Faith and Blue Event.

Bring the family to the County Annex at 1601 North Columbia Street for a free and fun evening with a bouncy house for the kids, corn hole game, free hot dogs, bottled water, and event t-shirts (while they last). Participate in our Coat Drive by bringing a coat to donate, check the list of items needed by the Chard Wray Food Pantry listed below and bring something to donate at the Food Drive.

You can meet someone that you don’t know, make new friends, and spend time with people you already know. You also will have the opportunity to donate blood at the Blood Drive. We also will have Shred Cycle of Dublin on hand so that you can bring any personal papers that you need to have shredded and empty out some of those filing cabinet drawers. Bring a sack full of old paperwork that’s in your way and get rid of it.

The Faith & Blue program is a nationwide movement based on the premise that strong communities are built through mutual respect and understanding. Law enforcement and faith institutions are key pillars of each community, and when they work together, neighborhoods thrive. Invite everybody that you know, bring a friend and neighbor!

The Food Pantry needs: Canned fruit, canned meat (tuna and chicken) cereals (hot and cold) Spaghetti sauce noodles, canned pasta, rice, Dried beans.

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Information Technology
TEDxGeorgiaCollege Rescheduled for March 2023

Leadership Programs: Thursday October 6, 2022

The inaugural TEDxGeorgiaCollege will now be hosted March 24, 2023.

Georgia College Leadership Programs, in collaboration with TED, have rescheduled the inaugural TEDxGeorgiaCollege from October to March 2023.

The event will remain in the historic Campus Theatre in downtown Milledgeville.

TEDxGeorgiaCollege will feature eight to ten speakers and performers who will deliver talks on the latest ideas and research, all in the spirit of TED’s commitment to “Ideas Worth Spreading.” Each talk will be broadcast internationally and shared through TED’s global network, showcasing for the international TED community the unique voices, stories, and ideas that make Georgia College special.

“Our Board of Curators, who provide administrative and editorial leadership for TEDxGeorgiaCollege, opted to reschedule our inaugural event for the spring,” says Dr. Harold Mock, who chairs the group.

Potential speakers with an interest in taking an idea to the TEDxGeorgiaCollege stage, should submit their proposals online at tedxgeorgiacollege.com. All proposals should be submitted by Monday, October 31.

Ticket sales for TEDxGeorgiaCollege open on January 23, 2023. Tickets may be purchased online at tedxgeorgiacollege.com.

About TEDx, x = independently organized event. In the spirit of ideas worth spreading, TEDx is a program of local, self-organized events that bring people together to share a TED-like experience. At a TEDx event, TED Talks video and live speakers combine to spark deep discussion and connection. These local, self-organized events are branded TEDx, where x = independently organized TED event. The TED Conference provides general guidance for the TEDx program, but individual TEDx events are self-organized (subject to certain rules and regulations).

Georgia College’s Office of Leadership Programs provides teaching, research, and public service related to leadership, citizenship, democracy, and public affairs. With the support of a distinguished faculty and practitioners, we educate the next generation of Georgia’s leaders for the public good. Our programs bring together scholars and students, as well as business leaders, non-profit executives, journalists, and public officials, and offer a trusted forum on citizen-leadership and pressing issues of the day. For more information, visit leadcreatively.org or contact leadership.programs@gcsu.edu or (478) 445-1227.

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Leadership Programs
The Department of Continuing and Professional Education invites you to follow this link and read our October Newsletter.
Intimate Partner Violence Panel Event: Project Heard

English, Department of: Friday October 7, 2022

GC2Y: Sex and Resistance and the Women’s Center & LGBTQ+ Programs welcomes you to join us at our event, Project Heard. We will have two panel participants, Melissa Gerrior, Program Coordinator for the Women’s Center at GCSU and Linnesia Latimore, Director of the Baldwin County Solicitor Victim Services Department.

Our event is on Thursday, October 13th from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm in A&S room 272. Our event focuses on educating our community on what Intimate Partner Violence is, how to identify it, how to get help, and/or help a victim of IPV. We encourage all students and staff to attend! You definitely do not want to miss this!

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English, Department of
Recognizing Signs of Depression- Tip Sheet

Human Resources, Office of : Friday October 7, 2022

Are you concerned that someone you work with is struggling with depression? Although no two people experience depression in exactly the same way, the following are some symptoms that may be present. Learn more about recognizing depression by clicking on the attached file from our Employee Assistance Program-Kepro!

Available 24/7/365 | 1-844-243-4440 | usg.mylifeexpert.com (Code: USGcares)

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ATTACHMENT
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Oct 2022 Tip Sheet - Recognizing Depression.pdf
Serve Help Desk - Fall Break Hours

Information Technology : Friday October 7, 2022

The Serve Help Desk is open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Monday, 10/10/2022 - Tuesday, 10/11/2022 during Fall Break. Enjoy your fall break and be safe.

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United States and Georgia flags flown at half-staff in observance of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service and the beginning of Fire Prevention Week.

University Communications : Friday October 7, 2022

Via executive order, Georgia Governor Brian Kemp has ordered that the flags on all state buildings and grounds are lowered to half-staff in observance of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service and the beginning of Fire Prevention Week on Sunday, October 9, 2022.

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Invitation to Submit a Nomination for Omicron Delta Kappa's Emerging Leader of the Year

Leadership Programs: Friday October 7, 2022

All members of the university community are invited to submit nominations for Omicron Delta Kappa’s Emerging Leader of the Year Award.

Nominees must:

- have freshman or sophomore status,
- be in good academic standing,
- be making a positive impact on the community, and
- serve as role models for other GC students.

To nominate a deserving emerging leader, please complete the simple online form below. Nominations should be a paragraph in length and should address how the nominee embodies the principles of ODK:

- exemplary character,
- responsible leadership and service in university and community life,
- superior scholarship,
- genuine fellowship, and
- dedication to democratic ideals.

Please submit your nomination online here. The deadline for receiving nominations is Tuesday 10/11 by 5 p.m.

Many Thanks,
Jacob Carter
Circle President
Omicron Delta Kappa

Updated: 2022-10-06
Campus Breast Cancer Awareness Initiative- Earn Well-being Credits

Human Resources, Office of: Friday October 7, 2022

Together with GC Center for Health and Social Issues, we present an opportunity for employees to earn well-being credits, get some steps in, and raise awareness for breast cancer. See the attached poster for more information!

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Let's march as one family for breast cancer awareness-.5.pdf

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Andalusia Institute Virtual Event

O'Connor Institute: Friday October 7, 2022

Tuesday, October 11 - 7:00pm Eastern: Dr. Alison Straudinger will discuss "Flannery O'Connor and Fascism".

Register HERE

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O'Connor Institute
OIE October 2022 Newsletter

The Office of Inclusive Excellence October 2022 Newsletter is now available. Thanks for reading!

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Choral Ensemble Concert: "We Sing"

Music, Department of: Monday October 10, 2022

Saturday, Oct. 15 Georgia College’s three choral ensembles will present a combined concert at 7:30 p.m. in First Baptist Church on Liberty Street. “We Sing” features pieces that were written to express the thoughts and feelings of humanity; these include arrangements of protest songs, folksongs, African American spirituals, sea chantesies, and more. Women’s Ensemble, University Chorus and Max Noah Singers will perform settings from countries such as US, Kenya, Korea, Latvia, New Zealand, and Singapore. Choral conductors include Dr. Jennifer Flory, Dr. Dana Gorzelany-Mostak, and Allison Ryder. The choirs will be joined by Dr. Lev Ryabinin and Dr. Hue Jang on piano and other special guests. A $5 donation is encouraged. All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the GC Department of Music through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.

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Music, Department of

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We Sing Choral Program 10.15.22 Flory_0.pdf
Fall Break Hours of Operation (The Max & Retail locations)

Dining Services : Monday October 10, 2022

The MAX

Friday, October 7th - Sunday, October 9th: normal hours
Monday, October 10th: 11:00am - 2:00pm, 5:00pm - 7:00pm
Tuesday, October 11th: 11:00am - 2:00pm, 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Chick-Fil-A

Friday, October 7th: 7:30am - 5:00pm
Saturday, October 8th: 10:30am-2:30pm
Sunday, October 9th: CLOSED
Monday, October 10th & Tuesday, October 11th: 10:30am-5:00pm

AFC Sushi

Friday, October 7th: 10:30am - 5:00pm
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Sunday, October 9th: CLOSED
Monday, October 10th & Tuesday, October 11th: 10:30am-5:00pm

Einstein's Bagel Bros

Friday, October 7th-Tuesday, October 11th: CLOSED

Books & Brew

Friday, October 7th - Sunday, October 9th : CLOSED
Monday, October 10th & Tuesday, October 11th : 7:30am - 3:00pm

*ALL LOCATIONS WILL RETURN TO NORMAL ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

Jamba by Blendid
Friday, October 7th - Tuesday, October 11th: normal hours of operation

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Music, Department of
Environmental Science Scholarships

National Scholarships Office at Georgia College: Monday October 10, 2022

On Wednesday October 12 at 5PM, the National Scholarships Office will be holding an info session in Atkinson 104 on awards for students who have been active in sustainability efforts on campus or in the community and who are wanting to pursue careers in areas related to sustainability and the environment.

We'll be talking about several awards that are most relevant to current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors, including the Hollings, Udall, and Truman Scholarships. If you can't make it but are interested in learning more, please reach out to Anna Whiteside (anna.whiteside@gcsu.edu).

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National Scholarships Office at Georgia College
Now Available: Second Peer Feedback on Teaching (PFoT) Session for Fall 2022

Center for Teaching & Learning: Monday October 10, 2022

The goal of Peer Feedback on Teaching (PFoT) is to provide support to help you improve the quality of learning in your classroom. Deliberate, continuous improvement of one's teaching is one of the great joys of being a professor. Our trained observers enjoy the opportunity to work with you as you develop and continuously improve your teaching skills. This process takes a cross-disciplinary approach, pairing you with one (1) peer observer outside your department who will act as a support to help you discover and explore how you can hone in on what you already do well and improve upon your strengths.

Utilizing a strengths-based method to help you discover and build upon your skills in the classroom makes PFoT a unique approach to teaching quality. For Fall 2022, PFoTs are offered from September 9 through September 23 and again from October 10 through October 28 for both in-person and synchronous online courses. If you are interested in scheduling a PFoT, please complete this form or contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at (478) 445-2520 or ctl@gcsu.edu. Please provide a week's notice or more for scheduling. For more information on PFoT, please see our website.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Center for Teaching & Learning
Guest Artist Concert: Vimadean Duo - Violin and Percussion

Music, Department of: Tuesday October 11, 2022

Monday, Oct. 17 The ViMaDeAn Duo will be guest artists at 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall at Georgia College & State University. The concert, “Based on Actual Events,” will feature violinist Anastasia Petrunina and percussionist Denis Petrunin. Petrunina was born in Ukraine and Petrunin is from Russia. The duo performs and conducts workshops worldwide with recent appearances in Brazil, Russia and France. Included in the program are Anton Prischepa’s “Based on Actual Events,” Salina Fisher’s “Komorebi,” Harold Arlen’s “Somewhere Over the Rainbow” and Emmanuel Sejourne’s “Attraction.” This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A $10 donation is encouraged. All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the GC Department of Music through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.

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Vimadean Duo Recital program 10.17.2022.pdf
Times Talk Wednesday October 12, noon-12:50, “In light of the passing of House Bill 1084, what place do concepts such as Critical Race Theory (CRT) and Anti-Racist Pedagogy have in the higher education classroom?"

American Democracy Project: Tuesday October 11, 2022

Join us in room 241 Russell Library this Wednesday at noon for an insightful and engaging discussion facilitated by Dr. Melvin Middleton, Director of Call Me MiSTER & M.A.L.E. Connection and J’Lan Day, Career Development Coordinator for the University Career Center on “In light of the passing of House Bill 1084, what place do concepts such as Critical Race Theory (CRT) and Anti-Racist Pedagogy have in the higher education classroom?

Times Talk at Georgia College is celebrating 18 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly discussion series on current and significant public events and issues as reported by the New York Times and other reputable news sources. The topics change weekly and are chosen and facilitated by volunteer faculty, staff, students, and community members. Times Talks are open to all campus and local community members. Just bring your brain, free pizza provided! Brought to you by the American Democracy Project at Georgia College and the Ina Dillard Russell Library

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American Democracy Project
The Ina Dillard Russell Library will celebrate the opening of “The Soul of Georgia” exhibit with an opening reception and lecture at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 12 in the Ina Dillard Russell Library Special Collections Galleries in Heritage Hall, located at the corner of Montgomery and Clarke streets.

The opening reception will feature a lecture by Dr. Maisha Akbar, chair of the departments of Languages and Liberal Studies; and Visual and Performing Arts and Media Studies; and director of the Center for Social Justice at Fort Valley State University.

Akbar is author of “Preaching the Blues: Black Feminist Performance in Lynching Plays.” Her lecture will examine parallels between Black women depicted in anti-lynching plays to the treatment of Black female professionals during the COVID-19 pandemic. She will deliver “A Blueswoman Matters: Re-Visioning Blueswoman Performance in a (post?) COVID era” during “The Soul of Georgia” opening reception.

“The Soul of Georgia” exhibit tells the story of how Black artists shaped the sound of America—beginning in the churches, juke joints and summer picnics of the South, exploding over regional radio and finding a home on record players throughout the United State and across the world.

“The Soul of Georgia” chronicles that history through the careers of Georgia-grown superstars like James Brown, Otis Redding and Ray Charles, but pays special reverence to the experiences of Milledgeville standouts Gloria Walker and the Chevelles, whose record “Talking About My Baby” climbed the popular music charts during the summer of 1968.

Visitors are invited to take in the sound, imagery and information in-person at Georgia College’s Ina Dillard Russell Library Special Collections Galleries or have a distinct online experience through “The Soul of Georgia” digital companion exhibit at https://bit.ly/soulofgeorgia.
New Upcoming Training for All Employees: Staying Optimistic - Conquering Negative Thoughts

The Office of Human Resources is excited to announce the upcoming employee training, Staying Optimistic - Conquering Negative Thoughts. Please see the information about the training below, we hope to see you there!

- Training Topic: Staying Optimistic – Conquering Negative Thoughts
- Training Date: October 18, 2022, 10:00am-11:00am EDT - Virtual
- Registration Link: [https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/721099733843194384](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/721099733843194384)

Course Description:

An average person has between 12,000-60,000 thoughts per day, 80% of which are negative.

These thoughts are part of the survival mechanism in the mind which focuses on more negative details as a form of self protection. However, it is not the negative thoughts themselves that are the issue, but rather the importance that we give these thoughts that cause the problem. This session allows participants to learn how to gain control over negative thoughts and turn them into neutral or positive ones, helping to conquer unhealthy and unhelpful habits.

How participants will benefit

At the end of this session participants will be able to:

- Identify the symptoms and causes of negative thoughts.
- Apply strategies to disrupt negative thoughts.
- Understand when additional help is needed.
- Discuss the types of help available.

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West Campus Shuttles - Allison Everett 5k

Parking & Transportation : Wednesday October 12, 2022

On Saturday, October 15, shuttles will not be running to West Campus in the morning, during the Allison Everett 5k event. Shuttle service will begin at 11 a.m.

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REMINDER! Call for Proposals: GC Journeys Community-based Engaged Learning Grants

Center for Teaching & Learning : Wednesday October 12, 2022

The Center for Teaching and Learning is pleased to announce the availability of the Community-based Engaged Learning Grant opportunities sponsored by GC Journeys and Academic Affairs. The grant provides from $500 to $1,000. The purpose of this grant is to provide instructors with seed funding to develop and implement a community-based engaged learning project that incorporates theory and practice within the community, local or international, and to enable students to think critically about the issues in the world around them and find ways to address those issues. Incorporating student learning into real-world activities allows students to see the work they are doing and witness the impact of their efforts on the lives they serve. Additionally, it expands the opportunities for students to participate in GC Journeys.

Application Open: October 3, 2022, to October 17, 2022, at 5 p.m. EST

Winners Announced: On or before November 7

For more information and to get started with your application, please visit the [CTL Website](mailto:ctl@gcsu.edu) and let us know if you have any questions at ctl@gcsu.edu.

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An American Sampler: Guest Artist Jonathan Price, tenor

Music, Department of: Wednesday October 12, 2022

Tuesday, Oct. 18 "An American Sampler"—a program examining the way stories are told in contemporary American theatrical music—will be at 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall. Guest artists Jonathan Price, tenor, and pianist Timothy Renner will perform contemporary classical art songs, and musical theatre written by American composers. Some feature stories set mostly in New York City by composers and poets Tom Cipullo, Billy Collins and Stephen Sondheim. Others are inspired by the American South, featuring lyricists like Jason Robert Brown and Adam Guettel. Come sway to tunes like Cipullo and Collins' “Another Reason Why I Don’t Keep a Gun in the House,” Sondheim’s “Anyone Can Whistle” and Brown’s “Old Red Hills of Home.” This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A $10 donation is encouraged. All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the GC Department of Music through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.

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Check out this week’s edition of the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Update! You can view it here: https://www.smore.com/uefwh-weekly-update

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Women's Center
Wouldn't you like to improve your online courses' quality and receive certification that you have completed a workshop for developing quality online courses? If so, the Center for Teaching and Learning offers you the opportunity to register for Quality Matters (QM) training. In this workshop, participants will identify the critical elements of quality assurance of online courses, including the materials and process; apply the concept of alignment, ensuring course components work together to help learners achieve desired learning goals; learn about the factors that impact course quality, and explore the structural elements of online courses to include: the overview and introduction, learning objectives, course technology, learner support, and accessibility. Participants exit the workshop with a basic understanding of QM, the QM Rubric, and the QM course review process. This workshop is a prerequisite for QM certification courses that lead to other QM roles. Also, upon completing the QM training, you will receive a certificate from Quality Matters, verifying your readiness to develop a quality online course.

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You must have a GC or USG Quality Matters account to register for this workshop. If you haven't already, you can create a QM account by visiting https://www.qmprogram.org/myqm/ and selecting "No, I am new here," which will allow you to register for this workshop and connect you with other QM workshops and resources. Once you have created an account, you can find and register for this offering in your QM portal by doing the following:

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3. Select the "Dedicated Training" link
4. Locate the correct session, "Independent Applying the QM Rubric (APPQMR) : (Statewide Systems)," with the course code: 111822_INDAPPQMR_157078_Board o-26297
5. Select the "Register" link and follow the steps to register for the session.

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If you cannot join us on November 18, this certification workshop, along with two others, Designing Your Online Course (DYOC) and Improving Your Online Course (IYOC), will be offered again in the Spring semester.
Career Center's Milestone Check-in Day

Career Center: Wednesday October 12, 2022

TODAY: Stop by the Career Center in 110 Lanier Hall until 7 pm to check your Career Planning Milestones completion.

Need documents reviewed? Want to talk about your career path or next steps? Today is the day you can drop into the Career Center - no appointment needed!

December grads - come see us! If you've completed all of your Career Planning Milestones, you get a FREE graduation cord.

Can’t stop by today? Go to the Career Center website to check out the rest of our upcoming Milestone Check-in Days on our calendar of events.

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Water Education Days: October 21 - 22, 2022

Academic Outreach: Wednesday October 12, 2022

Join GC Academic Outreach and the GC Aquatic Sciences Center as we celebrate WATER! We will have several events Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22:

* October 21 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.: Chemical Monitoring at Tobler Creek at Andalusia Farm. This is open to GC students and employees! For more information register here: https://givepul.se/r3ezvo  Space is limited to 20 participants.

* October 21 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.: Interested in becoming Adopt-a-Stream Certified? Join us at Lake Laurel Lodge on our East Campus for a Chemical Monitoring Workshop. You will learn the basics of Georgia Adopt-a-Stream and the importance of chemical monitoring. Certification is valid for 1 year.  Space is limited to 20 participants (GC students and employees!). More information and register here: https://givepul.se/we0lg6.

* October 22 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.: Bring your Family and Friends! We will have a variety of tables on Front Campus with information and fun, hands-on activities for all ages based on water! What are the properties of water? How does it get used? How does it shape the land? how do we impact it? How can we protect it? Stop by at any time and visit for a few minutes or a few hours!

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Georgia College & State University awarded state grant to measure obesity-reduction success

Center for Health & Social Issues : Wednesday October 12, 2022

The Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) asks all counties in Georgia to create programs that promote healthy lifestyles and reduce the risk of chronic diseases like obesity, heart disease and diabetes.

These illnesses cost the state about $40 billion each year, keeping children out of school and resulting in early loss of lives, according to the DPH website.

Each county is tackling the problem—but separately. Some try to promote physical activity through step challenges, park improvements or health festivals.

To discover what each county has implemented and to measure the success of these efforts—DPH turned to the Georgia College & State University Center for Health & Social Issues and Dr. Damian Francis, its director. Recently, the center was given a $65,000 grant to support the evaluation of programs in 17 of the state’s health districts and 149 counties.

“It’s one of our strategic goals to support people in creating and maintaining healthy communities and to help people in concrete ways,” Francis said. “I’m into chronic disease epidemiology. I’d like to see people who are dying prematurely before the age of 70 live beyond 70. That is my goal.”

“The average life-expectancy rate in America is close to 80 now,” he said. “But a lot of the population, Baldwin County in particular, have people dying before they get to 70. We consider that to be premature mortality. Projects like this help get us where we want to be.”

Junior public health major Madeline Meiser of Roswell and research fellow Ivey Whitworth are working with Francis to identifying similarities and differences in county health plans. They’re collecting data on what’s being done to reduce obesity and improve physical activity through diet and exercise.

The team will devise a common framework to collect or access secondary data, then analyze and evaluate which programs work and how well they work. Their role is to provide the DPH with technical assistance in conducting this statewide evaluation of chronic disease prevention programs.

“There are different ways to increase healthy lifestyles,” Francis said, “but the key to all of this is nutrition and physical activity. How do we evaluate these different programs and whether they work? We want to use a harmonized tool, so everybody’s using the same measurement tool.”

The CHSI is currently involved in these health-related projects, as well:

- Senior public health major Amelia Glaser is building upon past research that pinpointed rural areas in Baldwin County considered food deserts—places without nearby grocery stores to buy fresh fruits and vegetables. In some cases, a resident’s only choice is to buy prepackaged, processed or frozen foods at gas station convenience stores or Dollar General stores. Glaser is analyzing data and will present findings at the Georgia Undergraduate Research Conference. One recommendation from their work is a policy on healthy food environments which would see planned or newly-developed convenience stores mandated or incentivized to include fresh food markets.
- Francis is working on a collaborative effort with other universities, covered by a grant from Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Using $22,000 of the grant, CHSI’s role is to develop logic models and a framework for the definition and stakeholder engagement in systematic reviews focused on racial health in the U.S.
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LGBTQ+ Trivia Night

LGBTQ+ Programs : Wednesday October 12, 2022

Join LGBTQ+ Programs as we continue our celebration of LGBTQ+ History Month at an LGBTQ+ themed trivia night at Buffington's Oct. 13 at 8 p.m. Grab your team, or attend solo, and test your knowledge of LGBTQ+ history, pop culture, icons, and more!

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Disney College Program Info Session

Career Center: Wednesday October 12, 2022

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Can't make it? Email our DCP Program Coordinator at daniella.thomas@gcsu.edu with any questions.

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Course Quality: Developing Quality Online Courses Certification - November 18, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Center for Teaching & Learning: Wednesday October 12, 2022

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30 Georgia College Undergraduate Students Accepted to the Georgia Undergraduate Research Conference at Valdosta State University!

Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE) : Wednesday October 12, 2022

30 Georgia College undergraduate students were accepted to present at the 2022 Georgia Undergraduate Research Conference at Valdosta State University November 11th and 12th.

Congratulations from MURACE go out to this year’s accepted student researchers and their wonderful mentors:


The projects this year come from Biology, Public Health, Psychology, Computer Science, Environmental Science, and Mathematics.

We are proud to have you represent Georgia College at Valdosta State!

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Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE)
Win a $25 Gift Card! Final Day to Register for the MURACE Symposium 2022

Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE): Wednesday October 12, 2022

Join us for the 2022 MURACE Symposium on Monday, October 17, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. in Peabody Auditorium.

Attendees will be entered to win one of four $25 Barnes and Noble gift cards!

Register today (Wednesday, October 12) by 4 p.m. to ensure that a meal will be available for you at https://tinyurl.com/muracesymposium.

We have prepared a full slate of events for all faculty, staff and students who want to know more about mentored undergraduate research and creative endeavors at Georgia College. All disciplines and all levels welcome. No need to stay for all events. You can attend the events that interest you most throughout the day.

We hope to see you next Monday!

PANELS FOR MENTORS AND MENTEES IN PEABODY AUDITORIUM:

11am-12pm: "Mentor Mingle" Join us for a low-pressure session where mentors and mentees can chat about their research interests. You can bring your mentor/mentee with you or find a new mentor/mentee! There will also be musical performances by two student ensembles!

12pm-12:45pm: Lunch, Welcome, and the Importance of National Undergraduate Research Organizations featuring Dr. Tsu-Ming Chiang (Psychology) and Kalina Manoylov (Biology)

12:45pm-1:15pm: MURACE News: new application processes and vision for the year featuring Faculty Director, Dr. Stefanie Sevcik

1:15pm-1:45pm: Summer Research Scholars and Mentors featuring Alexandra Furney '24, Dr. Brent Evans (Economics), and Dr. Brooke Conaway (Economics)

2:00pm-2:30pm: Vertically-Integrated Projects featuring Dr. Jenny Flaherty (English) and Dr. Dana Gorzelany-Mostak (Music)

2:30pm-3:00pm: Undergraduate Research Publishing featuring Dr. Kelly Massey (Exercise Science) Dr. Alesa Liles (Criminal Justice), and Dr. Shaundra Walker (Library)

3:00pm-4:00pm: KEYNOTE PANEL Undergraduate Mentoring, Retention and Student Success featuring Dr. Holley Roberts (associate provost), Dr. Winston Tripp (associate dean of A&S), Dr. Indiren Pillay (chair of Biological & Environmental Sciences), Dr. Sabrina Hom (Philosophy and coordinator of Women's and Gender Studies)

STUDENT WORKSHOPS IN KILPATRICK 225

1:00pm-1:30pm Finding a Mentor featuring Dr. Stephanie McClure (Sociology)

1:30pm-2:00pm Getting the Most Out of Your Conference Experience featuring Dr. Rebecca Cofer (assistant director, Learning Center)

2:00pm-2:30pm Conference Dos and Don'ts featuring Dr. Whitney Heppner (Psychology) and Dr. Taylor Elsey
(Psychology)

2:30pm-3:00pm Demystifying the IRB Process featuring Dr. Whitney Heppner

3:00pm-3:30pm Preparing your Conference Presentation or Poster featuring Dr. Jamie Downing (Rhetoric)

3:30pm-4:00pm Writing an Abstract featuring Dr. Joy Bracewell (director, Writing Center)

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Diversity 360 Series: Stepping Out of Cultural Comfort Zones

Inclusive Excellence, Office of : Wednesday October 12, 2022

The Office of Inclusive Excellence, in collaboration with the Department of Government & Sociology, will present Stepping Out of Our Cultural Comfort Zones. The program will be held Monday, October 17 at 12 p.m. It is part of OIE's Diversity 360 Series.

The comfort zone is the place we find people we perceive to be most like us in terms of values, beliefs, customs, and worldview. While the comfort zone is a nice place to be, it does not boost cultural competence. That’s because the comfort zone doesn’t offer differing viewpoints and perspectives. It doesn’t offer different ideas or solutions to problems. It doesn’t make us think outside the box. It doesn’t challenge us to consider the impact of our values, perspectives, and behaviors or the notion that different people may see the world in diverse ways.

If you want to increase your cultural competence and improve your ability to communicate across cultural differences, you need to step outside of your comfort zone. Dr. Sandra Godwin, Associate Professor in the Department of Government & Sociology, will discuss ways to empower our GC community with the tools needed to step out of our cultural comfort zones; thereby, improving not only our cultural competence but our campus climate.

Please follow this link to register to attend and receive the Zoom link to join the event on October 17

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LGBTQ+ History Month Calendar of Events

LGBTQ+ Programs: Wednesday October 12, 2022

Join us as we celebrate LGBTQ+ History Month throughout October!

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STEM Club October Meeting

Student Organizations & Clubs : Thursday October 13, 2022

October meeting of the STEM club. There will be food prizes and games. Anyone can attend even non-STEM majors are welcomed.

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Latin America and Columbus Day

World Languages & Cultures, Department of : Thursday October 13, 2022

INDIGENOUS PEOPLE DAY

Several of the Department of World Languages and Cultures Spanish 1001 level classes were assigned to research then create a poster that interprets the meaning of the international holiday, October 12.

To give you a brief explanation of why October 12 is an international holiday, we will start at a 1977 United Nations conference in Geneva. Indigenous delegates from around the world drafted a U.N. resolution declaring “to observe October 12, the day of so-called ‘discovery’ of America, as an International Day of Solidarity with the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas.”

How Latin America and its affected communities see the transition from pre-Hispanic times to the modern era is different from how European countries do.

As a way to rescue its indigenous roots and revisit this historical period, many Latin American countries have their own alternatives to what we know as Columbus Day, such as the Day of Respect for Cultural Diversity in Argentina, the Day of Cultures in Costa Rica, the Day of the Multicultural Nation in Mexico, and the Indigenous Resistance Day in Venezuela, among many others. Although the date was originally deemed Día de la Raza, or Day of the Race, all around, it has since been renamed. In 2002, the Venezuelan President officially first coined Indigenous Resistance Day, and the name has stayed ever since.

“Indigenous Peoples’ Day serves as a reminder of the diversity and depth of people. It is also a time to move forward and look to the future.

We invite you to visit Beeson Hall, third floor; A&S, second floor at rooms 273 and 271; and Russell Library to see the students’ posters reflecting the meaning of the international holiday that is observed on October 12th throughout many countries. The posters will be on display during the month of October.

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Disney College Program Info Session

Career Center: Thursday October 13, 2022

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This will be our final info session of the semester, so don't miss out!

Questions? Email our DCP Program Coordinator Daniella Thomas at daniella.thomas@gcsu.edu.

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Career Center
Reminder! Call for Applications: Fall 2022 Graduate Research Travel Grants

The Graduate School: Thursday October 13, 2022

The Graduate School is accepting applications for the fall 2022 cycle of the Graduate Research Travel Grants program. Georgia College graduate students are encouraged to apply for funding to support registration costs and travel expenses associated with the presentation of their own original scholarship at professional academic conferences.

Graduate Research Grants will be made in the following category:

Category 1: Grants will be awarded that support student presentations of original scholarship or research conducted with a faculty mentor at professional academic conferences (virtual, in-person, international, national, regional and state level) in the student’s discipline. Grants will also cover costs of research in the student’s discipline. There is a maximum of $400 per grant for conference fees. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Fall cycle applications are due on October 15; however, since the 15th falls on a Saturday this year, the deadline has been extended to Monday, October 17, 2022.

Students seeking funds to support attendance at academic conferences in their field of study should apply through the SGA student travel fund.

For more information and the application, please visit the Graduate Opportunities web page.

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The Graduate School
Georgia College faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend the presentation and open forum for the first candidate for the Director of Wellness & Recreation, Drew Bruton.

The presentation will be held in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room in the Ina Dillard Russell Library from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. on Monday, October 17, 2022.

The candidate will present for 25 minutes on the topics below and the remaining 25 minutes will be used for questions.

1. Describe the changing landscape and notable innovations in Wellness and Recreation.

2. Talk about what you consider to be your most significant career accomplishments.

3. If selected to be the Director of Wellness and Recreation, what do you hope to accomplish within your first year?

For more information, please contact a member of the search committee.

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Click [HERE](#) to read this month's newsletter! In this issue of [The Loop](#).

- Get your resume reviewed at ResumeCon on 10/31.
- Secure a job or internship at the All Industry Career & Internship Expo on 11/01.
- Learn more about the Disney College Program at the next DCP Info Session on 10/14.
- Stop by the Career Center for a drop-in appointment on Milestones Check-In Day on 10/25.
- Attend a virtual Resume or Job Search Strategies workshop.

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Grad Week - Funding Graduate School: Workshop

Career Center: Thursday October 13, 2022

Have questions about how to obtain letters of recommendation or applying for scholarships for graduate school?

Anna Whiteside from the National Scholarships Office is collaborating with the Career Center’s Pre-Professional & Graduate School Planning team to provide an interactive session where students can gain information and have their questions answered.

Join us on 10/17 at 10 AM in 140 Lanier Hall for our Funding Graduate School workshop.

Questions? Email J'lan Day at jlan.day@gcsu.edu.

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Woodlands Camp: On-Campus Tabling TODAY!

Career Center: Thursday October 13, 2022

Woodlands Camp will be on-campus tabling October 13 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the A&S Fountain to talk to you about their available opportunities. In the event of rain, Woodlands Camp will be tabling in the MSU Den by Einstein’s. Learn more by logging into Handshake and visiting the event page found HERE.

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Major Contemporary Artist Jeffrey Vallance Speaks at GC

Art, Department of : Thursday October 13, 2022

Please join us on Monday, October 17 at 5:30 p.m. for a Zoom presentation with Jeffrey Vallance, followed by an audience Q&A with this important voice from the world of contemporary America art. This free event is sponsored by the GC Department of Art Visiting Artists and Scholars Program. Zoom link: [https://gcsu.zoom.us/j/91712850707](https://gcsu.zoom.us/j/91712850707) or use the QR code on the attached announcement.

“For over 30 years, Jeffrey Vallance has turned a critical and humorous eye toward his own wide-ranging experiences. Based on the artist’s memories and adventures, Vallance’s drawings, sculptures, installations and performance-based works make reference to his childhood in California, voyages to the Polynesian Islands and Iceland, residences in Las Vegas and the Arctic, sojourns to the Vatican, and to his celebrated Blinky the Friendly Hen project in 1978, when he held a funeral service for a frozen supermarket hen at Los Angeles Pet Memorial Park. The artist’s examination of these experiences combines a pseudo-anthropological approach with an art historically informed practice, and addresses themes of faith, myth, ritual and popular culture, along with the geopolitical landscapes of the past and present.”

(from: [https://www.tanyabonakdargallery.com/artists/63-jeffrey-vallance/](https://www.tanyabonakdargallery.com/artists/63-jeffrey-vallance/))


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Announcements Posted Friday October 14, 2022

Grad Week: From Student Leadership to Student Affairs

Career Center: Friday October 14, 2022

Join us for a conversation hosted with Dr. Daniel Nadler, Interim VP of Student Life, who will discuss how students can use their skills and talents as campus leaders as experience to work in student affairs or higher education collectively. The goal is to bring awareness to student affairs careers and the various opportunities available in higher education.

Join us on 10/18 at 3 PM in 140 Lanier Hall for From Student Leadership to Student Affairs.

Questions? Email J’Lan Day at jlan.day@gcsu.edu.

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Impact Your Teacher Effectiveness Ratings through the Objective Selection Form (OSF)

Center for Teaching & Learning : Friday October 14, 2022

The Objective Selection Form (OSF) opens today, October 14, for the Fall 2022 semester through December 5. The OSF allows faculty to identify targeted learning objectives to measure teaching effectiveness, and faculty response to the OSF drives summative results on the Student Rating of Instruction Survey (SRIS). The primary indicator of teaching effectiveness is how well students rate their progress on learning objectives that faculty mark as important or essential on the OSF. Since every course is different, this research-based instructor-driven model interpreters teaching effectiveness based on indicators identified by the instructor. Most instructors, familiar with their course learning objectives, decide and mark the OSF in ten (10) minutes or less per course.

You can access the OSF by visiting the "OSF Manager" at https://gcsu.campuslabs.com/faculty/. Also, you will receive an email from "SRISadministrator <notification@ce.mail.campuslabs.com>" with additional instructions. We have included an attachment to show you what this email will look like so you know what to expect.

Please contact sris@gcsu.edu with technical questions or concerns. For assistance completing the Objective Selection Form (OSF) by matching your course learning objectives to objectives found in the survey, please contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at ctl@gcsu.edu or 478-445-2520.

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13WMAZ will be on campus—to get your thoughts on upcoming midterm elections

University Communications : Friday October 14, 2022

A news team from 13WMAZ will be on Front Campus all day Wednesday, Oct. 19, conducting a “listening lab” designed to get opinions from students, faculty, staff and residents about the midterm elections.

The election is Tuesday, Nov. 8. Other listening labs around Central Georgia this month will be in Perry and Dublin. Those will focus on the general population.

At Georgia College & State University, news reporters especially want to hear from young voters and get their perspective on the political scene. They want to know who will vote or not vote and why. They’ll ask which issues are important to you this election year like abortion, inflation, taxes and gun control.

13WMAZ is interested in all viewpoints—but remember, personal views do not reflect the position of the university which remains neutral on topics with a political or controversial nature.

The news team will set up around 6 a.m. in front of Atkinson Hall on Front Campus and stay until about 6:30 p.m. Willing participants will be interviewed on camera and be part of TV news throughout the day—on 13’s morning and noon shows and 5 and 6 p.m. newscasts.

13WMAZ staff will also conduct surveys and hand out informational sheets about voting—where precincts are located, important websites, dates, etc.

For more information, please contact Erica Carr, special projects coordinator at 13WMAZ, at 478-752-1309.

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LGBTQ+ Figures of Resistance

Women's Center: Friday October 14, 2022

GC2Y: Sex and Resistance and the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs invite you to our event, “LGBTQ+ Figures of Resistance” Monday, October 17, at 6 p.m. in Atkinson 104.

We have four panelists joining us for this event: Melissa Gerrior, Anne Elise Beals and Shiloh Allen, from the Women’s Center & LGBTQ+ Programs will be joined by Dr. Allison Miller from the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business and Technology. During this event, panelists will discuss LGBTQ+ trailblazers and resistance figures throughout history, as well as highlight some of the lessons we can learn from their legacies to be better allies and advocates for the LGBTQ+ community.

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Women's Center
You are invited to attend the Core Ensemble Musical Theatrical Event--Unbought Wednesday, 10/19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Pat Peterson Education Room, in Russell Library/Heritage Hall, second floor. This is a Zoom event with a live audience! The performance is co-sponsored by the Government and Sociology Dept.; Coverdell Visiting Scholar; Music Dept.; and Library Special Collections.

Unbought presents the dramatic stories of three African American women: journalist and women's suffrage activist, Ida B. Wells; Shirley Chisholm, the first African American woman in U.S. Congress and the first to run for president; and Sally Hemmings, the slave with whom Thomas Jefferson fathered six children. The music is drawn from classical, jazz and popular works by African American composers.

For more information, please contact Victoria Gordon, Coverdell Visiting Scholar by email at Victoria.gordon@gcsu.edu.

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Having a Problem in GeorgiaVIEW? Remember the 10-Minute Rule!

Barb Szyjko, our retired Instructional Technology staff specialist, came up with the 10-Minute Rule during her 14 years at Georgia College, and we think it's a great guideline.

If you've been working on a GeorgiaVIEW issue for 10 minutes without resolution, please give CTL a call, send an email or stop by the office. We're glad to help and can save you time and anguish.

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Grad Week - Transition/Gap Year Workshop

Career Center : Friday October 14, 2022

Thinking about a Gap Year after you graduate? Want to learn about strategies to get the most out of your Gap Year? Attend this workshop to receive information and gain insight about taking a Gap Year and transitioning into graduate level academic programs after undergrad.

Join us on 10/18 at 10 AM in 140 Lanier Hall for our Transition/Gap Year Workshop.

Questions? Email J’Lan Day at jlan.day@gcsu.edu.

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Panel Discussion on Undergraduate Mentoring, Retention, and Student Success

Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE) : Friday October 14, 2022

Join us for the keynote panel discussion of the MURACE Symposium 2022 on Undergraduate Research, Retention, and Student Success. This panel will include insights from Dr. Holley Roberts, associate provost of Academic Affairs and director of the Graduate School; Dr. Winston Tripp, associate dean of the College of Arts & Sciences; Dr. Indiren Pillay, chair of Biological and Environmental Sciences; and Dr. Sabrina Hom, associate professor of Philosophy and coordinator, Women's and Gender Studies.

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Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE)
Tuition Assistance Program Deadline, Spring 2023

Human Resources, Office of : Friday October 14, 2022

The Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) application deadline for Spring 2023 is Nov. 15, 2022. TAP Program will waive up to (9) nine credit hours for spring semester. Please visit the following link [https://benefits.usg.edu/work-life/tuition-assistance-program](https://benefits.usg.edu/work-life/tuition-assistance-program) for the form and a copy of the policy. Please email your completed application to benefits@gcsu.edu.

As part of its desire to meet its employees evolving needs, the University System of Georgia (USG) has established an educational assistance program, the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). The purpose of TAP is to foster the professional growth and development of its eligible employees. For assistance, please reach out to benefits@gcsu.edu.

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[Human Resources, Office of](https://benefits.usg.edu/work-life/tuition-assistance-program)
Teaching Excellence Award Nominations Now Open

Center for Teaching & Learning: Friday October 14, 2022

The Teaching Excellence awards recognize faculty and departments/programs for their contributions to Georgia College & State University. Colleges select nominees for the awards and forward to the university faculty awards committee who select the recipient for each award category. Award recipients remain a “secret” until the Celebration of Faculty and Staff Excellence ceremony, which will be held during April 2023.

Due Dates for the Academic Affairs Excellence Awards

- Internal nominations to college due by: Nov. 21, 2022
- College selectees notified by college by: Nov. 28, 2022
- College nominees’ final applications received by Center for Teaching and Learning (ctl@gcsu.edu) by: March 1, 2023
- The Center for Teaching and Learning submits the finalist for each award to the Provost’s office by: April 3, 2023
- Celebration of Excellence Awards Ceremony, April 21, 2023, at 9 a.m.

Additional information can be found on our Teaching & Service Awards website. Please direct any questions to the Center for Teaching and Learning at ctl@gcsu.edu.

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Donut Sale to Benefit One Safe Place

Government & Sociology, Department of : Friday October 14, 2022

Students in CRJU 4950 Victimology are hosting a Donut Sale benefitting One Safe Place Macon, a Family Justice Center serving victims of family violence. Each donut is $2, and the money raised will be donated to supply toys and equipment for the children's playroom at One Safe Place. Stop by the Fountain Tuesday, Oct. 18, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to get your donuts. Thank you so much for your support!

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Happy Halloween Donut Sale to benefit One Safe Place.pdf
Director for Wellness and Recreation- Presentation & Open Forum, Final Candidate

Student Life, Office of : Monday October 17, 2022

Georgia College faculty, staff, and students are invited to attend the presentation and open forum for the final candidate for the Director of Wellness & Recreation, Amy Whatley.

The presentation will be held in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room in the Ina Dillard Russell Library from 9:30- 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 19, 2022.

The candidate will present for 25 minutes on the topics below and the remaining 25 minutes will be used for questions.

1. Describe the changing landscape and notable innovations in Wellness and Recreation.

2. Talk about what you consider to be your most significant career accomplishments.

3. If selected to be the Director of Wellness and Recreation, what do you hope to accomplish within your first year?

For more information, please contact a member of the search committee.

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Introduction to Zotero Online Workshop

Ina Dillard Russell Library : Monday October 17, 2022

Keeping track of all your sources can be frustrating and overwhelming—but with a little bit of organization, managing sources can be a breeze!

This workshop provides an overview of Zotero, a free and open-source citation management tool that allows users to capture, save, and annotate research notes. Open to students, faculty and staff.

By the end of this workshop, you'll be able to:

- Install Zotero and create a Zotero account
- Save and organize your sources
- Understand how Zotero works with other programs such as MS Word and Google Chrome
- Quickly generate a bibliography

This workshop takes place from noon – 12:45 p.m., Wednesday, October 19, 2022, online. Please register at https://gcsu.libcal.com/event/9561407

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Ina Dillard Russell Library
Check out this week’s edition of the Women’s Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Update! You can view it here: https://www.smore.com/j8gwe-weekly-update
Psychology Club & Psi Chi’s Closed Door Meeting

Psychological Science, Department of: Monday October 17, 2022

The Psi Chi & Psychology Club will host our Closed Door Meeting Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 6 p.m. in A&S 272. At this meeting - which is the most popular meeting every semester - we will discuss psychology classes, research lab opportunities, and so much more! There will also be pizza and snacks provided, so even if you’re not a psych major, you should still consider coming to learn about undergraduate research lab opportunities as many of the psych faculty encourage other majors to join their labs.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. Follow us on Instagram to keep updated on all the latest news and events: @gc_psychclub.

We hope to see you there!

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Legislative Exams: Additional Seating Available

Center for Testing: Monday October 17, 2022

Additional seats have been added for the upcoming legislative exams. Students must register online by visiting our website: www.gcsu.edu/testingcenter and follow the instructions.

Please note: the location to take the legislative exams will now be Russell Library, room 109.

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Grad Week - GC Times Talk: Supporting Graduate Student Mental Health & Well-being

Career Center: Monday October 17, 2022

Join us for a discussion about what faculty/staff, and the university as a whole, can do to support graduate student mental health & wellbeing to increase or maintain retention rates.

The GC Times Talk: Supporting Graduate Student Mental Health & Well-being will be taking place in Russell Library Room 241 on 10/19 at 12 PM.

Questions? Email J'Lan Day at jlan.day@gcsu.edu.

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Virtual Exchange Discussion on Taylor Swift

Please join students from Hong Kong, The Philippines, and Peru for a discussion of Taylor Swift's 2020 album, "Folklore." The international discussion will take place this Friday, 10/21 from 9:30-11:30am (Georgia time) on Zoom. No advanced preparation necessary, but please do pre-register for the event using the QR code on the flyer or by registering on the zoom event website by noon on Thursday if you would like to receive the log-in information for the Zoom meeting.

Hope to see you there!

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GEM Program Welcomes Class of 2022-23

Leadership Programs: Monday October 17, 2022

The Georgia Education Mentorship Program (GEM) admitted 22 students into the class of 2022-23.

- Katy Arrowood
- Carson Beasley
- Lisa Calvert
- Jacob Carter
- Vivian Cassaniti
- Matthew Fudger
- Emma Gruszka
- Emerson Hamm
- Jenesis Harris
- Jack Holloway
- Sam Howard
- Walker Jeffers
- Marta Knapp
- Maggie Malcolm
- Leah Meister
- Rachel Miller
- Patrick Morris
- Kailee Queen
- Jack Ryan
- Sruti Sajja
- Chloe Sproles
- Baylee Williamson
- Jordan Yeater

The GEM Program is a one-of-a-kind partnership between Georgia College and the Georgia Chamber of Commerce that prepares the next generation of Georgia’s leaders for the public good. The GEM Program matches students with senior state leaders for a yearlong partnership that creates mutual benefit between
Georgia College and its partners. In addition to frequent meetings and exchanges with their mentors, students enjoy individual consultations, classroom-based learning, and statewide site visits.

"GEM is, first and foremost, a program that serves the future of Georgia," says Dr. Harold Mock, program director. "In collaboration with the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, we are committed to providing our state and its communities with the leadership, ingenuity, and workforce development we all will need across the coming generation." Mock was a member of the inaugural class of GEM, in 2002.

“The GEM Program offers an unparalleled opportunity for juniors and seniors to experience life after Georgia College,” says Nancy Leslie ’19, investor engagement manager at the Georgia Chamber of Commerce. "Students are pushed well beyond their comfort zone, and with support from GC Leadership Programs and their mentors, they hone their soft skills, learn from influential Georgians, and make lifelong connections."

Established in 2002, the GEM program was created from a mutual recognition that students at Georgia College could benefit from working and creating relationships with top state leaders and that members of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce could benefit from directly investing in the next generation of leaders. Now in its twentieth year, the program has graduated more than 500 students.

Georgia College’s Office of Leadership Programs provides teaching, research, and public service related to leadership, citizenship, democracy, and public affairs. With the support of a distinguished faculty and practitioners, we educate the next generation of Georgia’s leaders for the public good. Our programs bring together scholars and students, as well as business leaders, non-profit executives, journalists, and public officials, and offer a trusted forum on citizen-leadership and pressing issues of the day.

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Leadership Programs
Journey to the Vote Exhibit at Heritage Hall Gallery, Russell Library, now through November 3rd, 2022. Open daily M-F.

Government & Sociology, Department of: Monday October 17, 2022

Provided in partnership with Dr. Victoria Gordon, Coverdell Visiting Scholar, Department of Government and Sociology, and the Ina Dillard Russell Library Special Collections, the gallery exhibit entitled Journey to the Vote is on display in Heritage Hall at the Ina Dillard Russell Library now through November 3rd, 2022. Students, faculty and the greater community are invited to view artifacts related to voting, with a specific emphasis on items highlighting women involved in Kentucky politics.

August 18, 2020, was the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment recognizing women’s right to vote. In recognition of this anniversary, this exhibit highlights various artifacts of gender, feminism and voting as we celebrate the Journey to the Vote and the continued participation in political life by women.

Exhibit materials are provided courtesy of the Rather-Westerman Collection at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky. Objects in this collection are held jointly by the Kentucky Museum and the Western Kentucky University Department of Library Special Collections, and are used in programs, research instruction, and exhibitions. Select items are provided courtesy of Sylvia Coffey private collection, Frankfort, KY; and courtesy of the Kristina Arnold private collection, Bowling Green, KY

For further information please contact Dr. Victoria Gordon, Coverdell Visiting Scholar at Victoria.gordon@gcsu.edu.

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Fall 2022 Grad Fest

Career Center: Monday October 17, 2022

Are you thinking about graduate school after GC? Get information and ask questions of recruiters at the new Grad Fest! Over 30 institutions, offering a wide variety of programs will be in attendance. Find programs related to your major or in completely new career areas!

You'll be able to meet face-to-face with program representatives to ask questions about the specific programs and the university.

Casual attire. Resumes are not required. Drop in as your schedule allows.

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Webb of Wonder: What Can We Learn From the James Webb Telescope?

Join the S.T.E.M club to discuss the James Webb telescope and what we can learn from its discoveries.

The S.T.E.M. club will meet at 6:30 p.m., tonight at Blackbird Coffee.

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Legislative Exams: Additional Seating Available

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Krista Branch, Assistant Principal at Brooklet Elementary School in Bulloch County, Georgia was one of only two P-12 educators accepted as lead presenters for the annual Georgia Association of Teacher Educators (GATE) conference in the Georgia Unicoi State Park convention center. Her presentation on October 14, 2022, was titled "Collaborative Change." AP Branch graduated from Georgia College in August 2022 and based her presentation on the year-long Ed.S. leadership change initiative, "Level Up: Increasing Student Reading Levels," that she led at Brooklet Elementary. The GATE conference theme was "Reimagining Pedagogy for Transformation."
This Thursday, October 20th: Celebrate the National Day on Writing with the Writing Center!

The Writing Center : Tuesday October 18, 2022

Please join us at Grammarpalooza in the Writing Center--A&S 2-56A--for games, treats, and prizes as we celebrate the National Day on Writing from 11:30 AM-4PM this Thurs., October 20th!

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Food Insecurity Survey

Management, Marketing, & Logistics, Department of : Tuesday October 18, 2022

YOUR HELP IS VALUED AND NEEDED. This research project is being conducted because of its potential benefits, either to individuals or to humans in general. The expected benefits of this study include understanding how and what types of societal campaigns will work best to reach the most people to influence positive outcomes for the underserved. This survey will only be open until October 26th, 2022.

TO TAKE SURVEY CLICK HERE

Thank you for taking the time out of your day to complete this survey. This survey will take no longer than 5 to 10 minutes to complete. For a successful and accurate study, it is crucial that you answer with complete honesty on all questions. All responses to this survey will remain anonymous and combined with the responses of others participating in the study.

NOTE: You are not likely to experience physical, psychological, social, or legal risks beyond those ordinarily encountered in daily life or during the performance of routine examinations or tests by participating in this study. If you are not comfortable with a question in the survey, you may leave the question blank. If you wish to stop taking and discontinue the survey, you may do so at any point, and your responses will not be recorded.

*Research at Georgia College involving human participants is carried out under the oversight of the Institutional Review Board. Address questions or problems regarding these activities to the GC IRB Chair, email: irb@gcsu.edu.*

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Times Talk Wednesday October 19, noon-12:50, “What can university faculty/staff do to support graduate student mental health and wellbeing to increase or maintain retention rates?”

American Democracy Project : Tuesday October 18, 2022

Please join us in room 241 Russell Library for an insightful and engaging discussion facilitated by Mr. J’Lan Day, Career Development Coordinator for the University Career Center on “In the post pandemic era, student wellness has been challenged. What can university faculty/staff do to support graduate student mental health and wellbeing to increase or maintain retention rates?” The following background article will be referenced during the discussion so feel free to read it ahead of time; https://observatory.tec.mx/edu-news/the-graduate-students-mental-health-crisis

Times Talk at Georgia College is celebrating 18 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly discussion series on current and significant public events and issues as reported by the New York Times and other reputable news sources. The topics change weekly and are chosen and facilitated by volunteer faculty, staff, students, and community members. Times Talks are open to all campus and local community members. Just bring your brain, free pizza provided! Brought to you by the American Democracy Project at Georgia College and the Ina Dillard Russell Library

Next week October 26 Times Talk: Dr. Steve Elliott-Gower; Iran’s Mahsa Amini Protests https://www.nytimes.com/2022/10/12/world/middleeast/iran-women-protests-strike.html

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Krista Branch, Assistant Principal at Brooklet Elementary School in Bulloch County, Georgia was one of only two P-12 educators accepted as lead presenters for the annual Georgia Association of Teacher Educators (GATE) conference in the Georgia Unicoi State Park convention center. Her presentation on October 14, 2022, was titled "Collaborative Change." AP Branch graduated from Georgia College in August 2022 and based her presentation on the year-long Ed.S. leadership change initiative, “Level Up: Increasing Student Reading Levels,” that she led at Brooklet Elementary. The GATE conference theme was "Reimagining Pedagogy for Transformation."
TTI Tabling at A&S Fountain on 10/19

Career Center : Wednesday October 19, 2022

TTI will be tabling at the A&S Fountain from 10 am - 2 pm on October 19th. Stop by to learn more about available opportunities with Techtronic Industries!

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BA Art Exhibition at the Department of Art

Art, Department of: Wednesday October 19, 2022

inward

Exhibition: October 31 - November 22, 2022

The Department of Art at Georgia College & State University cordially invites you to visit our Capstone exhibition, inward. The exhibit showcases our students’ outstanding research over the past year and includes work in a variety of media. This year, the exhibition will be displayed within the Leland Gallery in Ennis Hall. Congratulations to Madison Burgard, Leslie Calvert, Molly Hulett, and Megan Morelly. The Fall 2022 Capstone II students have done an outstanding job creating incredible works of art and design, and they are pleased to present and discuss their innovative artworks with the public.

As a reminder the gallery and free and open to the public.

Thursday, November 10th, 2022~ Capstone Reception / From 5:00 – 7:00 pm in Leland Gallery

Beginning Monday, November 7th, inward will open online: https://www.gcsu-art.com/

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Grad Week - Graduate School Drop-in Day

Career Center: Wednesday October 19, 2022

Need graduate school documents reviewed? Want to talk to someone about graduate school planning? Drop in to the Career Center on 10/21 between 9 AM and 4 PM - no appointment needed.

Questions? Email J'Lan Day at jlan.day@gcsu.edu.
TTI Tabling in Atkinson Hall on 10/20

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Faculty and Staff Fall Festival

President, Office of the : Wednesday October 19, 2022

Come join us for Food * Games * Fun

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TTI Tabling at A&S Fountain on 10/19

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AmeriCorps Tabling at A&S Fountain on 10/19

Career Center : Wednesday October 19, 2022

AmeriCorps will be tabling at the A&S Fountain from 10 am - 2 pm on October 19th. Stop by to learn more about available opportunities with AmeriCorps!

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Tangos, Pirates, Gods and Vivaldi: GCSU Orchestra Concert

Music, Department of: Wednesday October 19, 2022

Tuesday, Oct. 25 Georgia College & State University’s Orchestra and Department of Dance will be joined by the Academy of Classical Education Middle and High School Orchestras, and beginning violinists from Milledgeville’s Early Learning Center at 7:30 p.m. in Russell Auditorium for “Tangos, Pirates, Gods, and Vivaldi.” Guest Artist include cellist Sarah Davis, soprano Dr. Youngmi Kim, Georgia College’s Director of Dance Amelia Pelton, and guest director Rachael Smith for this fun program, featuring talented artists and students from Middle Georgia. Listen to theatrical music from “Pirates of Caribbean” and watch our students dance the Tango. A $5 donation is encouraged. All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the GCSU Department of Music through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.

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Furoshiki

Art, Department of : Thursday October 20, 2022

Linda Bowden, textile artist, Eatonton, GA shared her expertise with textiles to a group of GC Ceramics art students this week as part#1 of a three-week workshop. Drawing on Japanese roots and her textile training in Tokyo, Bowden is sharing her love of material and developed a workshop on Furoshiki, elegant cloths used for wrapping and carrying bundles. GC ceramics art students are studying the ritual art of the chawan(tea bowl) and will use the cloths to wrap and display the tea bowls. Using seasons as inspiration for their bundles, they will display their designs in Ennis for all to enjoy.

Bowden’s excitement and passion for materials is 100% contagious and all students are energized and busy making ready their cloths for the upcoming salt shibori dye baths. She will teach students the dye techniques that have roots dating back to Asuka and Nara periods of Japan. Drawing upon some of the earliest surviving examples of Japanese resist-dyed cloths, Bowden continues the tradition here in Milledgeville by sharing her knowledge of the dye process where students will squeeze, press, stich and pull taught their threads to resist all sorts of dyes. Maki-nui (chevron stripes) won’t be easy, but with a guide like Bowden, we’re in good hands.

Bowden’s generous contribution to the ceramic arts won’t go unnoticed. Students will present their bundles within an public exhibit and offer Bowden a giant thanks.

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FLU VACCINES available all-day M-F at Student Health

Student Health Services : Thursday October 20, 2022

Flu is now widespread in Ga. If you have not gotten your flu vaccine, drop-in anytime between 8:15 and 4:15 at Student Health. No appointment needed and no out of pocket cost to you! Bring your insurance card and a friend!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Student Health Services
Open Enrollment Kicks Off on Monday, October 24th

Human Resources, Office of : Thursday October 20, 2022

Open Enrollment is October 24 – November 4, 2022. Mark your calendars!

This is an active open enrollment period, meaning even if you do not have any intentions to make edits to your current enrollment(s), you MUST login and certify tobacco use and the working spouse questions (if applicable). If you do not login and certify these questions, you will automatically be charged an additional $150 per month as a surcharge beginning in January at the very minimum. Depending on whether or not you have a covered spouse and/or dependent(s) 18 years of age or older, the monthly surcharge could be significantly greater. Please make sure you are prepared to login and review your existing elections and certify the tobacco use and working spouse (if applicable) questions are answered thoroughly.

On October 24th, you will be able to login to OneUSG, select “Benefits” from the top center drop down menu, then select the “Manage my Benefits” tile to review your current elections and make any changes. You will not be able to do this until October 24th, and this election window will close on November 4th. If you would prefer to have someone assist you with your elections via phone, you may call the OneUSG Benefits Call Center at 1-844-587-4236.

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University System of Georgia (USG) Virtual Benefits Fair

Human Resources, Office of : Thursday October 20, 2022

This year’s University System of Georgia (USG) Virtual Benefits Fair will take place from October 24, 2022- November 4, 2022. You can visit the Virtual Benefits Fair and check out our vendors’ booths in the Exhibit Hall and participate in live virtual presentations delivered plan administrators in the Auditorium. We encourage all benefits employee to attend.

Registration

Registration is required! The good news is registration is extremely simple! When you visit the Virtual Benefits Fair, you will see a button in the center, toward the top of the home screen that says “Register”—click it! You will provide your first and last names, email address, and institution. That’s it! After you register, you will need to login simply by entering your email address. Once you’re logged in, you can see the schedule of events under “Program and Speakers” and you can add events to your calendar for sessions that interest you.

Live Presentations

There will be live presentations everyday from 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. If you are not available during these times, no problem! All presentations will be recorded and you can watch them whenever it’s convenient for you.

Additional Information

Many of us love the in-person Benefits Fair every year thanks to the "swag bag" we walk away with. You will be able to virtually collect information from any vendor and place it in your "swag bag" and then email the contents to yourself before you leave.

There is an excellent FAQ at the bottom of the home screen that I would highly recommend you explore.

Virtual Benefits Fair reminders:

- October 24, 2022- November 4, 2022
- You MUST register in order to attend/access the information
- Once you register, you will need to login each time you return to the website
- Vendor presentation daily from 10:00 AM at 2:00 PM (see schedule of events)
- Chat available with all vendors daily from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- You can still take home a “swag bag” full of information!

We hope to see you there!

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Registration for the Georgia Film Academy Certification Program

Continuing & Professional Education: Thursday October 20, 2022

Interested in a career in the film industry? Consider the Georgia Film Academy!

Registration for the Georgia Film Academy Certificate Program comes with two options:

- The for-credit option, which applies as electives towards an undergraduate degree. This opens for registration next week with classes.
- The non-credit option, which can be taken through Continuing and Professional Education, will begin accepting registrants on November 1st.

The Georgia Film Academy Certificate Program allows you to take three classes and become certified to work in the film industry! Choose from tracks in: Film & Television Production Certification, Film & Television Post-Production Certification, or Digital Entertainment, Esports & Game Development Certification.

Learn more about the credit option on [our Georgia Film Academy Certificate website](#).

Learn more about the non-credit option on [our Georgia Film Academy Accreditation website](#).

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Celebrate LGBTQ+ History Month tonight when the Women’s Center teams up with Bobcat Volleyball for Pride Night

LGBTQ+ Programs: Thursday October 20, 2022

In continued celebration of LGBTQ+ History Month, come out and join us at the GC Volleyball Game for our 2nd Athletics Pride Night on Tuesday, October 25th, at 6 p.m. in Centennial Center! Help us cheer on the Bobcats in their game against Augusta!

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LGBTQ+ Programs
On Wednesday, October 26, the International Club is sponsoring an International Fest in collaboration with Georgia College’s Student Government Association (SGA). The event will be held on Front Campus. Rain location: Magnolia Ballroom.

Multiple student organizations and GC Departments will be participating in this event, including the French Club, Geography Club, Hillel Society, Latino Student Association (LSA), Pride Alliance, Spanish Club, CAB, the GIVE Center, Office of Sustainability, Phi Kappa Phi and more. Globally themed exhibits will be a central feature, along with tables hosted by our international students who will share their countries and cultures with GC students, faculty and staff in attendance. Entertainment performed by students, plus games, free GC swag, snacks, coffee and hot chocolate will be provided. The event will be held on Front Campus, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. We welcome our GC Community to come out on the 26th and join in on the fun!

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Community in the classroom is more than just knowing everyone’s name (though that’s a great start!). It is also more than building relationships between the teacher and students; it’s about connecting the students in the classroom as well. Community is a space where students share and challenge ideas, feel a sense of belonging, and are comfortable making mistakes. Building community involves intentional planning and actions. Sounds like a lot of extra work? Actually there are lots of simple strategies that we can utilize in our classes to both build and maintain community with and amongst our students. Join the students in the Experiential Education class to learn more about small but intentional strategies that you can use to build community in your classroom!

Please consider registering to join us on either Tuesday, November 8 at 2pm or Monday, November 14 at 12:30 pm for information on how to encourage community building among your students. We hope you will take advantage of this exciting opportunity!

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Flannery O'Connor Book Discussion

O'Connor Institute: Friday October 21, 2022

Thursday, October 27 - 4:30 & 7:00 p.m. Eastern, virtual: Dr. Bruce Gentry leads discussion on Flannery O'Connor's "The Lame Shall Enter First." Sheppard's plan to save Rufus Johnson with rational support and scientific approaches goes terribly wrong.

Register [HERE](http://example.com/register)

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O'Connor Institute
Key Changes: 2023 USG Healthcare Plans

Human Resources, Office of: Friday October 21, 2022

In preparation for Open Enrollment kicking off next week, below are the key changes for the 2023 USG Healthcare Plans for active employees:

- Healthcare Premium - Great news! Employees healthcare premiums are not changing this year. However, there is a 9.3% increase to employer premiums.
- Surcharges - The Board approved an increase in the tobacco and working spouse surcharges from $100 to $150.
- The tobacco use surcharge applies to employees and dependents age 18 and over enrolled in the USG healthcare plans who use tobacco.
- The working spouse surcharge applies to employees who cover their spouse under the plan if the spouse is employed and receives an offer of coverage through their place of employment.
- Certification and acknowledgement of penalties WILL BE REQUIRED during open enrollment for BOTH of these surcharges.
- The HSA matching contribution - will continue in 2023 at $375 for employee-only coverage and $750 for family coverage.
- Wellbeing program: has a new way to earn!
- From October 1, 2022- September 30, 2023, you will earn well-being credit by completing healthy activities that are worth points. Over 50 ways to earn points, choose your own adventure. Well-being is made up of small choices and habits, every day.
- Pet Insurance - MetLife will be the new carrier for pet insurance.
- USG Accident Plan and Hospital Indemnity Plan - Aflac will become the new carrier for Accident Insurance and Hospital Indemnity. Currently, Aflac administers the Critical Illness Plan.
- Short-Term Disability - 3% decrease in premiums.
- Accolade - Accolade will continue to support employees enrolled in the Anthem (Blue Cross Blue Shield of GA) plan with all of their healthcare questions and needs through a personal healthcare assistant.
- Switching from an FSA to HSA?
- Employees currently contributing to a healthcare flexible spending account (HC-FSA) in 2022 who switch to an HSA for 2023 must have a zero-dollar balance in their FSA on or before December 31, 2022 to begin making contributions to their HSA on January 1, 2023.
  - If the HC-FSA balance is not zero ($0) by December 31, 2022, the employee will not have HSA contributions beginning January 1, 2023.
- To initiate HSA contributions, employees must contact OneUSG Connect - Benefits on or after April 1, 2023. Impacted employees will receive a notification from OneUSG Connect - Benefits prior to December 31 and before April 1, 2023. Employees who do not contact the OneUSG Connect - Benefits call center will not have HSA contributions in 2023.
- Flexible Spending Account - Employees are required to re-enroll in flexible spending accounts each year; current elections will not automatically renew.
- Preventive Care - In-network preventive services such as Annual check-ups, Flu Shots, Mammogram (age 40+), Colonoscopy (age 45+), Vaccinations (measles, mumps, rubella, etc, are free of charge.
  - New in 2023! Diagnostic Breast Screenings are now covered at 100% under all USG medical plans.

More details about the changes to the plans will be provided during the virtual benefits fair with live presentations and chat will be offered during Open Enrollment, October 24 – November 4, 2022.

We encourage all employees to attend the virtual benefits fair to learn about the changes to the benefit plans for 2023 in greater detail. Enrollment in benefits for the 2023 plan year will take place via OneUSG.
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Virtual Benefits Fair Begins Monday, October 24th

Human Resources, Office of : Friday October 21, 2022

The year's Virtual Benefits Fair will kick-off on Monday! The fair will take place from October 24 – November 4, 2022. Visit https://usg.vfairs.com/ and register using your name, email, and institution. You can connect “live” each day to learn about your 2023 benefits. Take note of the agenda and special live presentations you won’t want to miss - and chat 1:1 with representatives for any benefits questions that you have.

The agenda is listed below, once you register, you can add any/all of the presentations that interest you to your Outlook calendar so you can get a quick reminder of when each presentation will take place.

October 24, 2022

10:00 AM, Making the Most of Open Enrollment 2023
12:00 PM, Solving the Puzzle: Which healthcare plan is best for you?
1:00 PM, Everything You Need to Know to Enroll and Complete your Certifications for 2023

October 25, 2022

10:00AM, Hospital Indemnity, Accident Insurance and Critical Illness
12:00PM, Protecting Your Furry Family
01:00PM, Who’s in Your Corner: LegalEASE

October 26, 2022

10:00AM, Accolade: Your Healthcare Champion
12:00PM, Understanding Your Pharmacy Benefits
01:00PM, USG Well-being: The More You Do, the More You Earn

October 27, 2022

10:00AM, Making the Most of Open Enrollment 2023
12:00PM, Retiree: Open Enrollment 2023 and More
01:00PM, On the Horizon: Everything You Need to Know Before Your Retire

October 28, 2022

12:00PM, Delta Dental: When You Smile, We Smile
01:00PM, EyeMed: A Clear Focus on Eye Health

October 31, 2022

10:00AM, Save More with Flexible Spending Accounts
12:00PM, Maximize Your Match with a Health Savings Account
01:00PM, Investing Your Funds with HSA Bank

November 1, 2022

10:00AM, USG Well-being: The More You Do, the More You Earn

12:00PM, Kepro: Support When You Need It

01:00PM, Livongo: Living Healthier on the Go

November 2, 2022

10:00AM, Life Insurance: Protect the Ones You Love

12:00PM, Disability Insurance: Protect Your Income

01:00PM, Things Happen: Safeguard Your Identity

November 3, 2022

10:00AM, Saving for Your Retirement

11:00AM, Getting to know AIG Retirement

12:00PM, Getting to Know Fidelity

01:00PM, Getting to Know TIAA

November 4, 2022

10:00AM, November 4th: Avoid Surprises: Open Enrollment Action Items

12:00PM, November 4th: Is Purchasing Power right for me?

01:00PM, November 4th: Getting the Most out of Your USG Benefits

As a reminder, you will be able to chat with each vendor from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM EST the weeks of October 24, 2022 through November 4, 2022. If chat is not available, you will be able to connect by email. We hope you'll join in to learn about your 2023 USG Benefit Offerings!

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Call for Core Faculty for the 2023 Summer Bridge Scholars Program

Bridge Scholars Program : Friday October 21, 2022

This is an open call for applications to teach a three-credit summer course in the GC Bridge Scholars Program (BSP). Faculty members are needed to teach Area A-E core courses for the summer 2023 Bridge Scholars Program. Core courses meet in the morning (9am-12pm) or afternoon (1:30-4:30pm) Monday-Friday 18 times between June 23 and July 20, 2023.

BSP is a year-long Residential Learning Community which gives approximately 135 freshmen a head start on college through a special program designed to help them make a successful transition from high school to campus. During the summer, BSP students take a one-credit hour success course and six hours of core courses for a total of seven hours. Students who pass all courses with a grade of C or better are eligible to return to Georgia College for their freshman year. These students then continue taking classes and participating in extracurricular programming together throughout their first year. One of the highlights and benefits of the program is the close interaction that BSP students enjoy with their faculty and BSP staff. Past BSP students have gone on to be academically successful campus leaders, and this is due in part to the strong start they have had for their college experience.

Summer 2023 dates (extracurricular programming TBA):

April 14th, 2pm – 5pm, BSP faculty/staff orientation

June 17th, 9am – 11am, BSP Orientation, Faculty & Academic Coach Meeting June 20th – June 22nd GCSU 1010 Student Success course

June 23rd - July 18th, Core courses (M-F, 9am – 12pm, 1:30pm – 4:30pm)

July 3rd – July 4th, Fourth of July Holiday (no classes)

July 19th – July 20th, Final exams, grades posted, program closing banquet

July 21st, BSP students check out of the residence halls

Interested faculty should submit a paragraph identifying the core course they would like to teach and addressing (1) their interest in the BSP program, (2) how their teaching style would be a good fit for this specialized cohort of students, and (3) their thoughts on how faculty involvement outside of the classroom can support and enhance pedagogy.

Please submit this paragraph by Friday, November 4, 2023 to erin.weston@gcsu.edu. Hiring decisions will be made in late November.

Remuneration is 11% salary plus benefits. Pay will be split over pay dates on June 30 and July 31, 2023. Faculty should understand that due to the nature of this program, there is an expectation of involvement outside the classroom to support and facilitate student development via relationship building and mentoring during the transition to university life. This is the reason why higher summer compensation is offered to Bridge Scholars Program faculty. Faculty must be approved by their department chair and the chair of the area they wish to instruct.

Faculty hired to teach with the BSP during summer 2023 will be required to hold at least one study session at West Campus during the summer program and to participate in the following events:

- At least two interview dates held on the following Fridays from 12pm – 5pm: 12/9, 1/20, 1/28, 2/17, and 3/3.
- Friday, April 14th: BSP faculty/staff orientation 2-5 p.m.
- Saturday, June 17th: BSP Orientation
- Thursday, July 21st: Closing Banquet

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E Pluribus Unum: Unity reverberates throughout program of patriotic music

Music, Department of : Friday October 21, 2022

Thursday, Oct. 27 The Georgia College & State University Department of Music presents its annual Wind Symphony concert, “E Pluribus Unum,” at 7:30 p.m. in Russell Auditorium. The music will have resonating patriotic elements, as a sign of unity among all Americans, who seem divided politically at this stage of history. Seven compositions will be used as a spotlight to shine through differences—starting off aggressive and chaotic to hopeful and triumphant. Pieces include Omar Thomas’ “A Mother of a Revolution;” John Mackey’s “Night on Fire;” and Julie Giroux’s “Fort McHenry Suite.” This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A $5 donation is encouraged. All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the GC Department of Music through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.

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Wind Symphony program 10.27.2022.pdf
Literary Guild October meeting

English, Department of: Friday October 21, 2022

Please join Literary Guild for the October meeting on Front Campus on Tuesday, October 25 from 7:00 until 8:00 pm. We will be sharing spooky stories for Halloween.

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Women's Center: Friday October 21, 2022

The GC2Y Sex and Resistance class is partnering with the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs to host a live panel discussion on reproductive health and justice. We invite you to attend this panel, “The Dobbs Decision & Our Community,” on Thursday, October 27th from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in A&S 2-70. This event will feature faculty members from various different disciplines who will provide their unique perspectives: Dr. Victoria Gordon (Coverdell Visiting Scholar in Government & Sociology Department), Dr. Jehan El-Jourbagy (Department of Accounting and Business Law), Dr. Hank Edmondson (Department of Government & Sociology), and Dr. Sabrina Hom (Department of Philosophy, Religion, and Liberal Studies).

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Shared Sick Leave Program Enrollment: Open for 2023

Human Resources, Office of: Friday October 21, 2022

The Shared Sick Leave Program will be open for enrollment Monday, October 24, 2022 - Friday, November 4, 2022, for participation effective January 1, 2023.

All interested participants, should complete and submit the “Shared Sick Leave Enrollment Form” to benefits@gcsu.edu, by 5:00pm, Friday, November 4, 2022.

The shared sick leave program allows employees to donate unused sick leave to a pool for possible use by another Georgia College employee who is experiencing a serious health condition or whose immediate family members is experiencing a serious health conditions after exhausting all of their accumulate paid leave. Likewise, participation allows contributing employees to request leave from the pool when eligible.

Eligibility for Enrollment (during USG Benefits Open Enrollment Period):

- Must contribute a minimum of eight (8) hours sick leave up to 80 hours, and
- Must maintain a minimum of forty (40) hours of sick leave, at the time of donation, and
- Must hold a “benefits eligible” position, and
- Have completed the provisional (probationary) period

Additional Information:

- Initial Enrollment: At the time of initial enrollment, employees must have a minimum balance of 40 sick hours remaining after donation a minimum of 8 hours of sick leave.
- Current members - No action needed, you will automatically be enrolled into the program for 2023.
- Re-Enrollment: Those members who were granted the maximum (480) sick leave from the shared sick leave pool in 2022, must submit a new enrollment form in order to participate in 2023, and meet all eligibility requirements during re-enrollment.
- Special Enrollment: When the program is determined to be depleted (120 hours or less remaining balance) a “special enrollment period” will be conducted with an appeal to the Georgia College community at large to donate sick leave. Current members will be notified in writing, that (8) eight hours will be deducted from their sick leave balance.
- Terminate membership: An employee may terminate their membership at any time by completing and submitting the “Shared Sick Leave Program Termination Form.” Any leave contributed to the pool prior to withdrawal from the program shall be forfeited.

Resources:

For detailed information regarding the policy and forms please visit:


For detailed information regarding the USG policy, please visit:

https://www.usg.edu/hr/assets/hr/hrap_manual/HRAP_Shared_Sick_Leave_Program_Time_Away_from_Work.pdf

In the event the link above is broken, please login to Unify and follow these steps on the Intranet:
1. Human Resources
2. Employee Relations
3. Shared Leave Program

Please submit your questions to: benefits@gcsu.edu

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ATTACHMENT
Notes about attachments are on the second page of this document.
SharedSickLeaveEnrollmentForm 10-14-2022.pdf
Open Enrollment Begins Today

Human Resources, Office of: Monday October 24, 2022

Open Enrollment: October 24 - November 4, 2022

It's time to make your benefit elections for calendar year 2023! Please visit https://oneusgconnect.usg.edu/ and click on "Manage My Benefits" on the right side of the screen. You will be prompted to login to Unify and follow all DUO prompts, then verify your contact information.

Once you are logged in, click on the tile that says Open Enrollment then follow the prompts to make any changes you'd like.

As a reminder:

- You MUST certify your tobacco user status as well as the tobacco user status for any/all covered dependent(s) age 18 or older; failure to do so will default you into paying the $150 per month per eligible dependent surcharge

- You MUST certify your working spouse status (if you have a covered spouse on your plan); failure to do so will default you into paying the $150 per month surcharge

Please visit www.usg.edu/hr/benefits to view some of the changes for 2023 and access extensive information available about all of our plans.

Please review the attached file for step-by-step instructions for reviewing, changing, and/or adding benefits for 2023. This file will also provide a visual for the required certification questions [tobacco & working spouse (if applicable)].
Open Enrollment Sessions: Come See Benefits & Ask Your Questions!

Human Resources, Office of : Monday October 24, 2022

If you have questions or need assistance, please visit Library 302 on any of the dates and/or times listed below. You always have the option to send an email to benefits@gcsu.edu or call (478) 445-5596 for assistance; the Benefits Team will follow up with you pending our availability. *Please be mindful that we have scheduled multiple work sessions in Library 302 so we can be available to assist employees at various times throughout the workday; this means we may not be able to assist employees who request a one-on-one meeting or stops by the Wooten-Garner House and asks to meet with a member of the Benefits Team without a scheduled appointment.

We would love it if you would visit Library 302 and ask your questions on the following dates and times as we have specifically made ourselves available to help with Open Enrollment! Come see us:

- 10/26: 11A-1P
- 10/28: 11A-1P
- 11/1: 9A-11A and 3P-5P
- 11/2: 11A-1P
- 11/3: 9A-11A and 3P-5P
- 11/4: 9A-11A and 3P-5P

Please click the link below to access the 2023 Comparison Guide:


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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
Bobcat Men’s Hoops to Play Exhibition at UGA Nov. 1

Athletics : Monday October 24, 2022

Registration: [http://alumni.gcsu.edu/GCvUGA](http://alumni.gcsu.edu/GCvUGA)

The Georgia College & State University Men’s Basketball team gets its season underway with an exhibition matchup at Division I University of Georgia Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. in Stegeman Coliseum.

University President Cathy Cox, Director of Athletics Wendell Staton and Head Coach Ryan Aquino will host a Pre-Game Reception beginning at 4 p.m. Get your first chance to meet the coach, with light refreshments at the Magnolia Ballroom, located in the Georgia Center, across the street from the coliseum.

Both the game and the pre-game reception are free and open to the public, with reception registration available at [http://alumni.gcsu.edu/GCvUGA](http://alumni.gcsu.edu/GCvUGA).

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Athletics
Shared Sick Leave Program: Enrollment Period Open for 2023

Human Resources, Office of: Monday October 24, 2022

The Shared Sick Leave Program will be open for enrollment Monday, October 24, 2022 - Friday, November 4, 2022, for participation effective January 1, 2023.

All interested participants, should complete and submit the “Shared Sick Leave Enrollment Form” to benefits@gcsu.edu, by 5:00pm, Friday, November 4, 2022.

The shared sick leave program allows employees to donate unused sick leave to a pool for possible use by another Georgia College employee who is experiencing a serious health condition or whose immediate family members is experiencing a serious health conditions after exhausting all of their accumulate paid leave. Likewise, participation allows contributing employees to request leave from the pool when eligible.

Eligibility for Enrollment (during USG Benefits Open Enrollment Period):

- Must contribute a minimum of eight (8) hours sick leave up to 80 hours, and
- Must maintain a minimum of forty (40) hours of sick leave, at the time of donation, and
- Must hold a “benefits eligible” position, and
- Have completed the provisional (probationary) period

Additional Information:

- Initial Enrollment: At the time of initial enrollment, employees must have a minimum balance of 40 sick hours remaining after donation a minimum of 8 hours of sick leave.
- Current members - No action needed, you will automatically be enrolled into the program for 2023.
- Re-Enrollment: Those members who were granted the maximum (480) sick leave from the shared sick leave pool in 2022, must submit a new enrollment form in order to participate in 2023, and meet all eligibility requirements during re-enrollment.
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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
The FY2024 University Budget Open Forum will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2022, from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. The forum will take place in person, in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room.

The order of speakers is as follows:

1. Forum Introduction and Overview
2. President Cathy Cox
3. Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Eric Tenbus
4. Dean of the College of Business and Technology, Micheal Stratton
5. Dean of the College of Education, Joseph Peters
6. Dean of the College of Health Sciences, Sheri Noviello
7. Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Costas Spirou
8. Interim Vice President for Student Life, Dan Nadler
9. Vice President for Finance and Administration, Lee Fruitticher

For those who are unable to attend in person, a Zoom link is provided here.

Updated: 2022-10-24
Get your Flu Shot at the Fountain! Tuesday, October 25th from 11:30 to 3:30

Student Health Services: Monday, October 24, 2022

Flu is on the rise in Georgia and Student Health has you covered!

For your convenience, you can get your seasonal flu vaccine on Main Campus by the Fountain outside of A&S from 11:30 to 4:30 on Tuesday, October 25th. Drop-by anytime to get your shot!

There is no out-of-pocket fee for the flu vaccine. Please bring your insurance card or insurance information when you come.

You can also drop in the Student Health clinic on West Campus any time and any day during open hours of 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to get your flu vaccine. No appointment needed.

We highly recommend that all students get their annual Influenza (flu) vaccine to help keep you healthy this Fall semester. Remember to protect, don't infect!

Stay Healthy Bobcats!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Student Health Services
Schedule an In-Person Financial Consultation with (AIG) - Tom Smith on Campus 11/9/2022

Human Resources, Office of : Monday October 24, 2022

Tom Smith, Financial Advisor for AIG (formerly Valic) will be on-campus and available for one-on-one consultations on Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. in the Kilpatrick Hall Conference Room #221. Appointment availability will be limited.

To register for an in-person consultation with Tom Smith, AIG Financial Advisor on campus for one of the dates listed above, please click here.

If your schedule will not allow you to meet with Tom Smith on one of the dates listed above, you can also schedule a virtual one-on-one appointment with him on a variety of dates by clicking here.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
Spring 2023 Registration Week

Academic Advising Center : Monday October 24, 2022

It is time to register for Spring 2023!

Here is the schedule for the week:

- Currently enrolled graduate students, seniors, and students with priority registration: Begins Monday, October 24, 2022, at 7:00 am
- Currently enrolled juniors: Begins Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at 7:00 am
- Currently enrolled sophomores: Begins Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 7:00 a.m.
- Currently enrolled freshmen: Begins Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 7:00 am

Undergraduate students now have the option of registering with College Scheduler. In addition to helping you identify numerous ways to schedule the classes you need, College Scheduler will also allow you to build a schedule in advance of registration so you are ready at your 7:00 AM registration time.

To register using College Scheduler, log into your Unify account, select PAWS, click on the Student Services tab, and then click "Register, Add, or Drop Courses Using College Scheduler."

REMINDER FOR FRESHMAN: On Thursday, October 27, 2022, the library will be open at 6:30 a.m. with advisors ready to help!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Academic Advising Center
Open Enrollment & Virtual Benefits Fair

Human Resources, Office of : Monday October 24, 2022

Open Enrollment is now live! You will be able to login and make your benefit elections October 24 - November 4, 2022. This is an active open enrollment -- you MUST login and answer the tobacco user & working spouse (if applicable) surcharge questions. Failure to do so will result in default surcharges ($150 minimum) added to your monthly premiums beginning in January 2023.

The Virtual Benefits Fair is open for (2) two weeks, October 24 – November 4, 2022. Visit https://usg.vfairs.com/ and register using your name, email, and institution. The live presentation agenda is below; you are welcome to join any of the live sessions at the times listed below:

October 24, 2022
10:00 AM, Making the Most of Open Enrollment 2023
12:00 PM, Solving the Puzzle: Which healthcare plan is best for you?
1:00 PM, Everything You Need to Know to Enroll and Complete your Certifications for 2023

October 25, 2022
10:00AM, Hospital Indemnity, Accident Insurance and Critical Illness
12:00PM, Protecting Your Furry Family
01:00PM, Who’s in Your Corner: LegalEASE

October 26, 2022
10:00AM, Accolade: Your Healthcare Champion
12:00PM, Understanding Your Pharmacy Benefits
01:00PM, USG Well-being: The More You Do, the More You Earn

October 27, 2022
10:00AM, Making the Most of Open Enrollment 2023
12:00PM, Retiree: Open Enrollment 2023 and More
01:00PM, On the Horizon: Everything You Need to Know Before Your Retire

October 28, 2022
12:00PM, Delta Dental: When You Smile, We Smile
01:00PM, EyeMed: A Clear Focus on Eye Health

October 31, 2022
10:00AM, Save More with Flexible Spending Accounts
As a reminder, you will be able to chat with each vendor from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM EST the weeks of October 24, 2022 through November 4, 2022. If chat is not available, you will be able to connect by email. We hope you'll join in to learn about your 2023 USG Benefit Offerings!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Newsletter

Women's Center : Monday October 24, 2022

Check out this week’s edition of the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Update! Follow this link to view the newsletter online.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Women's Center
Seeking participants for Photo Project

Women's Center: Monday October 24, 2022

As a part of Bobcats Call Back, an initiative to end catcalling on campus, the Women's Center is asking students, faculty, or staff who have experienced catcalling to be a part of a photo project that will be featured in the upcoming photo exhibition, Embodied. Participants will have their photos taken and will also be asked to speak on their experiences with catcalling and how it has impacted them. If interested, please register for a photo session at https://bit.ly/Embodied22

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Women's Center
Inside Sports Broadcasting. A new, fully online Maymester course at Georgia College & State University

Communication, Department of : Monday October 24, 2022

Coming Maymester 2023, the Georgia College Department of Communication presents: "Inside Sports Broadcasting."

A new, fully online Maymester course. This course has no class meetings. You can complete the work on your own time at home.

Inside Sports Broadcasting will provide students with an overview of sports television broadcasting.

Learn about the early years of sports TV, the founding of ESPN, how sports are produced for television, and where sports broadcasting is heading next.

Space is limited. Want to learn more? Contact Dr. Chad Whittle at Benjamin.whittle@gcsu.edu.

Inside Sports Broadcasting. MSCM 4950 CRN: 50054

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Communication, Department of
Non-academic offices that wish to request an Administrative Graduate Assistant (GA) for AY 2023-2024 should complete the Administrative Graduate Assistant Request Form on or before December 15, 2022. To submit a request, click here or visit The Graduate School, Graduate Assistants, web page.

If you received an Administrative Graduate Assistant allocation, formerly 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 non-academic offices that typically hire or would want to hire an Administrative Graduate Assistant for various administrative tasks. The stipend for an Administrative Graduate Assistant must be paid out of the hiring department's budget. Stipend amounts will often vary according to the hiring area. In the past, the common pay for Administrative Graduate Assistants was $2,315 per semester, some were higher, others lower.

Review & Notification:

Requests will be reviewed by The Graduate School and email notifications of decision will be sent mid-January 2023. If approved, the deadline to hire an Administrative Graduate Assistant will be September 2023.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
The Graduate School
Announcements Posted Tuesday October 25, 2022

Times Talk Wednesday October 26, noon-12:50, “Iran’s Mahsa Amini Protests “

American Democracy Project : Tuesday October 25, 2022

Join us in room 241 Russell Library for an informative and engaging discussion facilitated by Dr. Steve Elliott-Gower, Associate Professor of Political Science on Iran’s Mahsa Amini Protests.

The following background article will be referenced during the discussion so feel free to read it ahead of time; https://www.nytimes.com/2022/10/12/world/middleeast/iran-women-protests-strike.html

Times Talk at Georgia College is celebrating 18 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly discussion series on current and significant public events and issues as reported by the New York Times and other reputable news sources. The topics change weekly and are chosen and facilitated by volunteer faculty, staff, students, and community members. Times Talks are open to all campus and local community members. Just bring your brain, free pizza provided! Brought to you by the American Democracy Project at Georgia College and the Ina Dillard Russell Library


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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
American Democracy Project
This Spring, the COE is offering two graduate courses that are open to all faculty and staff. The first is on using the equipment in the Maker Space in the Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

EDIT 6598 Special Topics, 3.00, 21722, 09-JAN-2023-01-MAY-2023, Bekir Mugayitoglu, Kilpatrick Hall and Online

The second course is part of the new certificate in Education and Equity.

EDFD - 5001 School Improvement and Equity, 3.00, 21627, 09-JAN-2023-01-MAY-2023, Marcia Peck, Online, Fully at a Distance

To participate, you need to apply to graduate admissions by the October 28th deadline using the code FALLFEST22. Using this code allows you to not have to pay an application fee [https://www.gcsu.edu/graduate/online-graduate-applications-spring-the-graduate-school]. You also need to fill out a TAP application [https://benefits.usg.edu/assets/documents/tuition-assistance-program/TAP_Application_FINAL_2022.v2_.pdf] and return it to your supervisor for approval by the November 15th deadline.

If you are at all interested in either course, please apply for admissions before Oct. 28th and TAP before Nov 15th. You can always change your mind.

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Mock Westminster Dog Show

Student Organizations & Clubs: Tuesday October 25, 2022

Come out and see our adorable, adoptable pups strut their stuff! They will be competing for the golden paw print medal and a pup-a-chino. You can stick around afterwards to meet the dazzling contestants as well!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Student Organizations & Clubs
Open Enrollment: I don't want to change anything--do I have to login?

Human Resources, Office of : Tuesday October 25, 2022

Open Enrollment 2023 is an ACTIVE open enrollment -- if you don't login, you may be charged $150/month or more in applicable surcharges. Read below to find out how to potentially keep that hard earned money in your pocket!

Employees enrolled in a USG Healthcare plan must complete the Tobacco User and Working Spouse surcharge certification annually during Open Enrollment October 24 - November 4, 2022. You will pay a surcharge if the below applies or if you do not complete the certification(s):

- Tobacco surcharge: $150/month per covered family member (age 18+) who uses tobacco products
- Working spouse surcharge: $150/month if you’re an active employee who covers a spouse who has an offer of medical coverage through an employer

ALL benefit eligible employees must login to answer these certification question(s) where applicable; you will pay a surcharge if the certifications apply or if you do not complete the certification(s).

Open enrollment is also an excellent time to view/edit any existing beneficiaries. You will be able to login and make your elections and answer the certification questions October 24 - November 4, 2022 via OneUSG.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
New EMPLOYEE TRAINING TOMORROW: Sustaining a Respectful Work Environment

Human Resources, Office of: Tuesday October 25, 2022

ALL EMPLOYEE TRAINING

· Training Topic: Sustaining a Respectful Work Environment

· Training Date: October 26th, 2022, 10:00 AM EDT

· Registration link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9171798770523959308

Course Description:

We all come to work with the expectation that we are going to be treated appropriately – be shown respect, have our ideas and opinions listened to, be provided with the information we need to do our jobs and feel safe.

This training session will empower attendees with the awareness and knowledge to cooperate and communicate with respect, embrace differences, address concerns in a constructive way, and help contribute towards a collective vision built on a collaborative, respectful, and harmonious work culture.

How participants will benefit

At the end of this session participants will be able to:

• Define healthy acceptable work behaviors and what may be considered inappropriate.

• Outline ways to promote a positive and inclusive work environment.

• Tackle inappropriate behavior in an assertive way.

• Understand the support available.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Human Resources, Office of
GCSU holds its 20th chemistry Family Fun Night

Chemistry, Physics, & Astronomy, Department of : Tuesday October 25, 2022

On Thursday, Oct. 27, Georgia College & State University will hold its 20th “Family Fun Night” for the community. A lineup of interactive activities includes hands-on chemistry experiments, an outdoor pyrochemistry show, a haunted black-light maze and a planetarium show.

About 50 undergraduate students will assist community members at 10 hands-on activity stations at Herty Hall on Wilkinson Street in Milledgeville. The event is from 5 to 8:30 p.m. The chemistry magic show begins at 6:30 p.m.

Family Fun Night is part of National Chemistry Week, sponsored by the American Chemical Society. This year’s theme is “Fabulous Fibers: The Chemistry of Fabrics!” and will include a fiber-and-fabrics room supplied by GCSU alumna Alexia Crawford, ‘19, who works for FiberVisions, an Indorma Ventures Company.

“The goal of our theme room is to expose the community to chemistry in their everyday lives and I couldn’t be prouder that one of our graduates will be presenting the information,” said Dr. Catrena Lisse, director of GCSU’s Science Education Center. “As an educator, I sincerely enjoy these types of events and seeing the excitement from participants.”

This event draws more than 200 Central Georgia children and their families, who enjoy the pre-Halloween fun and exciting games. Come see gigantic eruptions of “elephant toothpaste,” dancing Gummy Bears and pumpkins carved the chemistry way.

Family Fun Night is hosted by the GCSU Chemistry Club, Science Education Center and department of chemistry, physics and astronomy.

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Chemistry, Physics, & Astronomy, Department of
19th Annual Clothesline Project on Front Campus Tuesday-Thursday

Women's Center : Tuesday October 25, 2022

The Clothesline Project is a visual display held annually by the Women's Center to raise awareness about the occurrence of Power-Based Interpersonal Violence (PBIV; e.g. sexual assault, intimate partner violence, etc.) in our community.

We'll be out on Front Campus Tuesday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and invite you to stop by to view the project and/or make a shirt to contribute to the collection (materials provided) sharing your own or a loved one's experience with PBIV.

We also need volunteers to assist with set up, break down, and counting viewers! You can sign up here.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Women's Center
Welcome to another active Open Enrollment! This means that if you currently have benefits through Georgia College, you have a few REQUIRED ACTION ITEMS.

Everyone MUST login and answer the tobacco and working spouse (if applicable) certification question(s). Even if employees don’t want to make a single change, they HAVE to answer the questions that apply to them.

- Failure to login and answer the required certification question(s) will result in a default surcharge. This year, the tobacco surcharge(s) AND the working spouse surcharge are increasing from $100 per month to $150 per month.

Depending on your particular benefit coverage, you may have to answer one, some, or all of the following certification questions:

- Tobacco use for employee (answer YES/NO if you use tobacco)
- Tobacco use for spouse (if you have a covered spouse, answer YES/NO if they use tobacco)
- Working spouse (if you have a covered spouse, answer YES/NO if they are employed and are offered health benefits through their employer)
- Dependent(s) age 18+ tobacco use (if you have one or more dependents age 18+, answer YES/NO if they use tobacco)

If an employee does nothing and has a covered spouse and at least 1 dependent age 18+ on their existing plan, their choice to “take no action” will result in $600 per month in default surcharges. Please make sure you login to OneUSG between October 28th and November 4th to answer these certification questions; doing so may save you some money!

Other items to consider reviewing during Open Enrollment, even if you don’t want to make any changes to your existing coverage:

- If you have a Flexible Spending Account (FSA), you MUST re-elect this annually; your current election will not automatically rollover for next year.
- Consider reviewing any beneficiaries listed for your life insurance and retirement plans (mandatory and/or supplemental) while you’re logging in to make your annual elections. It’s ALWAYS a good idea to make sure these are accurate on an annual basis or as needed!
Milestones Check-in Day - No appointment needed!

Career Center: Tuesday October 25, 2022

Do you need job application or grad school documents reviewed? Want to talk to a career advisor about your next steps? Stop by the Career Center in 110 Lanier Hall between 10 AM and 7 PM for drop-in appointments and to check your Career Planning Milestones completion. No appointment needed!

Calling all December grads! Come see us. If you've completed all of your Career Planning Milestones, you get a free graduation cord!

Can't stop by today? Check out the rest of our upcoming Milestones Check-in Days on our calendar of events at the Career Center website.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Career Center
We're hiring......Assistant Director For New Student Programs and GC Welcome Center

Enrollment Management : Wednesday October 26, 2022

The Office of Enrollment Management is searching for an Assistant Director of New Student Programs and GC Welcome Center. Anyone interested in applying for this opportunity is encouraged to view the job posting and apply. The application deadline is November 9, 2022.

For more information, visit tinyurl.com/fzc9sc5p.

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Enrollment Management
Virtual Benefits Fair: Currently Underway, Closes Friday 11/4

Human Resources, Office of: Wednesday October 26, 2022

This year’s University System of Georgia (USG) Virtual Benefits Fair will take place from October 24, 2022- November 4, 2022. You can visit the Virtual Benefits Fair and check out our vendors’ booths in the Exhibit Hall and participate in live virtual presentations delivered plan administrators in the Auditorium. We encourage all benefits employee to attend

Registration

Registration is required! The good news is registration is extremely simple! When you visit the Virtual Benefits Fair, you will see a button in the center, toward the top of the home screen that says “Register”—click it! You will provide your first and last names, email address, and institution. That’s it! After you register, you will need to login simply by entering your email address. Once you’re logged in, you can see the schedule of events under “Program and Speakers” and you can add events to your calendar for sessions that interest you.

Live Presentations

There will be live presentations everyday from 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. If you are not available during these times, no problem! All presentations will be recorded and you can watch them whenever it’s convenient for you.

Additional Information

Many of us love the in-person Benefits Fair every year thanks to the "swag bag" we walk away with. You will be able to virtually collect information from any vendor and place it in your "swag bag" and then email the contents to yourself before you leave.

There is an excellent FAQ at the bottom of the home screen that I would highly recommend you explore.

Virtual Benefits Fair reminders:

- October 24, 2022- November 4, 2022
- You MUST register in order to attend/access the information
- Once you register, you will need to login each time you return to the website
- Vendor presentation daily from 10:00 AM at 2:00 PM (see schedule of events)
- Chat available with all vendors daily from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
- You can still take home a “swag bag” full of information!

We hope to see you there!

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Human Resources, Office of
A Message from the Chancellor for Staff

Human Resources, Office of : Wednesday October 26, 2022

The following message is being passed along at the request of the Chancellor:

Dear Staff:

With fall semester in full swing, I hope each of you is well and enjoying this cooler weather. It’s an exciting time on our campuses, as well as in the University System Office. My role as Chancellor continues to energize me and is one I consider to be the most impactful job I’ve ever had. I hope you feel the same as staff members.

I want to take this opportunity to share some thoughts on the direction we are headed in as the University System of Georgia and recognize the valuable role each of you play in helping USG fulfill its mission on behalf of our students and the state.

I have been privileged to witness your good work first-hand in my travels to all 26 of USG’s institutions as well as to our USO facilities in Sandersville and Athens. The state of our university system is strong, and I appreciate your hard work to make that happen. At the same time, as I have also told faculty, we face some headwinds such as shrinking enrollments due to lower birth rates and the economy, ‘leakage’ of students away from Georgia and marketplace disruptions that are demanding a highly qualified yet nimble workforce. Our campuses are already responding to these challenges in different ways. Some are engaging in predictive analytics to recruit students and help them succeed. Others use dashboards to drive the decisions made by their leaders. Many are focused on relevant academic programs that will meet workforce needs in local communities and across the state.

However, current challenges and opportunities demand that we keep getting better. As I mentioned in many of my visits and meetings, I have captured this idea of continuous improvement in a slogan that I use to talk about the system: “Good, better, best. Never let it rest until your good is better and your better is best!”

You may be wondering how this idea will affect you as staff? To take our institutions from good to better to best, we need to take several approaches. We need to identify best practices at each institution and then share them throughout the system. It’s sort of the idea that a rising tide lifts all boats together. We need to improve communication within and across institutions so that everyone works collaboratively to create a more educated Georgia. I also believe we need more consistent access to real-time metrics. I’d like to see more use of data dashboards that make outcomes transparent, enable us to hold each other accountable and provide a clear view on what is working well and what needs to be changed. I intend to engage everyone in USG in the service of these goals, and more.

In pursuing our goals, it is also critical to advance as a team so that the whole of our university system is greater than the sum of its parts. To capture this sense of teamwork, I like to use the metaphor of a ‘flywheel’ first proposed by teacher and scholar Jim Collins. USG is like a giant flywheel that will spin faster if all of us put our hands on it and then push in the same direction. By paying close attention to data, we will know which direction to push in so that we advance our best practices. By improving communication within and across institutions, we will reduce friction in the system so that we work better together and recognize all contributions as we see our hands and those of others pushing the flywheel – ensuring the proverbial left hand knows exactly what the right hand is doing. As we team up to turn the flywheel bit by bit, it will begin moving forward faster and faster by its own momentum and help us become the premier university system in the nation.

With the energy that I feel around USG, I am optimistic we will be making tremendous progress over the next few months and into the coming years. In fact, significant progress has already been made on our goals of affordability and transparency. I recently announced a new, one-stop website called Georgia Degrees Pay. The site will help our students, families, taxpayers and other stakeholders compare how much it costs to attend any of our schools, how well our institutions help students be successful and how much in potential future earnings graduates can look forward to. Prospective students will be able to make informed decisions regarding which institutions fit their needs and ambitions best, while having easy access to extensive information including system initiatives and financial aid options. The site will keep developing as we add more and more data to help
Georgians make good decisions. And this is just one of many ways in which we will be harnessing data to improve transparency and decision-making.

What I ask of you as we work on this is to support one another and own the expertise you have. I had the opportunity recently to attend the USG Staff Council Conference at Georgia Gwinnett College, and one of the things we discussed was how important it is for all of us to work together toward our common mission. I want your input and ideas because you are our experts. Please send those ideas to: chancellorinnovation@usg.edu. This also means the system has a responsibility to support you in your professional development, and you will be seeing more efforts to do this.

I know how challenging the past two and a half years have been. You have had to work harder than ever before, yet that work is as vital as ever. There are many jobs and careers in this world, but there are not many that enable you to change a person’s life or the trajectory of their family. Whether you are awarding financial aid, serving meals on campus, driving buses from one end of campus to another, advising student organizations, mowing the lawn, paying invoices, counseling employees on benefits, teaching a class or everything in-between, what you do matters. It takes every one of us to create an environment where students can learn and realize their full potential. Without you, our students’ life-changing experiences in higher education could never happen.

So, if nothing else, let me simply say thank you. This is a noble mission to which we contribute, and we have important work that is meaningful to the more than 340,000 USG students across the state. The university system needs you, and our students need you. I hope you have been re-energized this fall as the students began the semester. As you interact with them, I hope you experience the personal fulfillment that comes with working in higher education. I cannot overstate how important every single one of us is to the success of our students. Because of you, they have the life-changing opportunity to better their family’s quality of life. That is no small thing. And what you do to help them on that journey is no small matter.

I am grateful for all you do. I hope we can continue our dialogue and look forward to a great academic year.

Sincerely,

Sonny Perdue
Chancellor

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FY2024 University Budget Open Forum - Thursday, October 27th

Finance & Administration : Wednesday October 26, 2022

The FY2024 University Budget Open Forum will be held tomorrow, October 27, 2022, from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. The forum will take place in person, in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room.

The order of speakers is as follows:

1. Forum Introduction and Overview
2. President Cathy Cox
3. Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Eric Tenbus
4. Dean of the College of Business and Technology, Micheal Stratton
5. Dean of the College of Education, Joseph Peters
6. Dean of the College of Health Sciences, Sheri Noviello
7. Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Costas Spirou
8. Interim Vice President for Student Life, Dan Nadler
9. Vice President for Finance and Administration, Lee Fruitticher

For those who are unable to attend in person, a Zoom link is provided here.

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GC Jazz Jam at Amici's

Music, Department of : Wednesday October 26, 2022

Come out and enjoy our GC Jazz Jam Session Tuesday, November 1, 7-9 pm at Amici Café, downtown Milledgeville, presented by Jazz at Georgia College. Hosted by our faculty and student jazz musicians, the GC Jam Session is open to all members of the community interested in working on their jazz and improvisation skills. Bring your instrument if you want to play or come just to enjoy the menu and the live music at Amici Café. We hope to see you there!

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LEGISLATIVE EXAMS: ADDITIONAL SEATING AVAILABLE

Center for Testing: Wednesday October 26, 2022

Additional seats have been added for the upcoming legislative exams. Students must register online by visiting our website: www.gcsu.edu/testingcenter and follow the instructions.

Please note: the location to take the legislative exams will now be in Room 122- Russell Library.

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ResumeCon

Career Center : Wednesday October 26, 2022

Is your resume ready for your job or internship search? Come to ResumeCon at the Career Center to find out! Stop by for a 15-minute resume review.

ResumeCon is the perfect time to meet Career Center advisors who will be dressed as your favorite Halloween movie characters for this fun event. We will offer spooky refreshments such as cupcakes, punch and brownies along with a trick-or-treat table and horror movie-themed trivia. No appointment needed.

Don't be frightened by your future! Come get your resume reviewed...if you dare!

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DEPARTMENT WEB SITE
Career Center
Join us today for International Coffee Hour hosted by the GC Spanish Club!

World Languages & Cultures, Department of: Wednesday October 26, 2022

Join us today (10/26) in the A&S Courtyard for International Coffee Hour hosted by the GC Spanish Club! Drop by between 12-2pm.

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World Languages & Cultures, Department of
Virtual Benefits Fair Begins continues through November 4th

Human Resources, Office of : Wednesday October 26, 2022

The year's Virtual Benefits Fair will kick-off on Monday! The fair will take place from October 24 – November 4, 2022. Visit https://usg.vfairs.com/ and register using your name, email, and institution. You can connect “live” each day to learn about your 2023 benefits. Take note of the agenda and special live presentations you won’t want to miss - and chat 1:1 with representatives for any benefits questions that you have.

The agenda is listed below, once you register, you can add any/all of the presentations that interest you to your Outlook calendar so you can get a quick reminder of when each presentation will take place.

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USG's Mental Health Training Opportunities for Employees and Students

Wellness & Recreation : Thursday October 27, 2022

The University System of Georgia’s Mental Health Initiative is offering two mental health training opportunities, QPR Suicide Prevention and Adult Mental Health First Aid (MHFA). QPR and MHFA is online training designed to provide information on how to identify warning signs and assist individuals in crisis. These trainings are not designed as professional certifications, rather, they provide individuals with skills to encourage others to seek professional assistance.

As part of the USG and GC Mental Health Initiatives, all faculty, staff and students are highly encouraged to participate in these training opportunities. For registration and to learn more, visit USG’s Mental Health Trainings.

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President's and Provost's Reports from University Senate Meeting

University Senate: Thursday October 27, 2022

President Cox's and Provost Spirou's reports from the October meeting of University Senate are available.

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ATTACHMENT
Notes about attachments are on the second page of this document.
Reports - President and Provost (2022-10-21).pdf
Federal Work Study Student Job Openings!

Financial Aid: Thursday October 27, 2022

The Financial Aid Office is searching for Federal Work Study students. Students who are eligible and are interested in working on campus while attending college to earn additional money are encouraged to stop by The Financial Aid Office for more information. Some qualifications are required. Students may also apply by visiting the website below. For more information contact The Financial Aid Office.

You can learn more about federal work study student jobs on the Human Resources Employment Opportunities website.

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New Database Resources

Russell Library is pleased to announce that we have recently expanded our streaming video resources. In addition to Films on Demand, which provides over 15,500 documentary videos across various subject areas for instant viewing (including public performance rights), we now also provide the following:

**Kanopy:** We have expanded our access to Kanopy's catalog with the new KBASE collection of over 8000 films, primarily documentaries, available for instant viewing. If you're a student or faculty member, you're welcome and encouraged to use a Kanopy film in your class. Films can also be used for extracurricular events, like film clubs or social events, if they're labeled with the "PPR" (public performance rights) icon.

**Swank Digital Campus:** We now provide a collection of 50 feature films and documentaries, including international films, for instant viewing. The specific films will rotate based on needs in support of the curriculum. This collection can save costs for students who might otherwise have to pay to stream popular films to watch for classes. These are not licensed for public performance.

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The All Industry Career & Internship Expo is the campus networking event of the semester. Get a head start on your search! Attend to increase your professional network, explore career paths and find full-time job and internship opportunities.

Talk with 60+ employers from diverse industries; 60% of which will be hiring all majors.

This is your chance to impress and discover where your interests can take you.

-Research attending employers in Handshake.
-Resumes required. Bring plenty of copies with you.
-Professional dress required. Not sure what to wear? We can help!

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Camp Skyline Ranch: On-Campus Tabling TODAY!

Career Center: Thursday October 27, 2022

Camp Skyline Ranch will be tabling at the A&S Fountain from 12 pm - 2 pm on October 27th. Stop by to learn more about available opportunities with Camp Skyline Ranch!

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Linda Bowden, fiber artist and community member, led a workshop for a ceramics art student project with a step-by-step shibori dye bath process. Today, the students achieved 100% success with their completed artfully stitched up wood grain patterns ready for the sodium dye baths. Some chemistry was involved with various solutions to achieve the staying color and we have 4: fuscia, blue, emerald green, and golden yellow. Part 2 of the workshop was a big hit for all as the students learned the lengthy process of bath agitation and the whole dye process. Bowden did it again and opened the door a tiny bit more for students to connect to the fabric art of Kyoto with a trial run here at home. Next week: undoing the stitches and realizing potential.
Apple recently released macOS Ventura. We are currently testing its compatibility with campus software and we expect to start upgrading machines around January of next year. Until then, please hold off on upgrading to this version of macOS. For more information, see Adobe and Microsoft support pages. For questions or concerns, reach out to Serve by phone at 478-445-7378 or email at serve@gcsu.edu.
Congratulations to our September 2022 recipients of I Caught You Caring

Staff Council : Friday October 28, 2022

Congratulations to September 2022 recipients Hill Davis, Robert Morris, Chris Robbins, Frank Baugh, Ben Mason, Jaysen Smith, Jennifer Ray, Shaveta Waller, and Ashley Banks of "I Caught You Caring." From addressing student needs to answering emails after hours, staff members go above and beyond everyday for Georgia College.

Want to nominate someone for I Caught You Caring? It's easy! Simply visit our online form to get started.

Updated: 2022-10-28
Andalusia Institute Event

O'Connor Institute: Friday October 28, 2022

Thursday, November 3—7:00 PM (Eastern, virtual): Dr. Doug Davis of Gordon State College leads discussion on “Science, Technology, and Flannery O'Connor.”

Please complete this form to register for the discussion.

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O'Connor Institute
For our iPhone and iPad users:
You may begin seeing an error when trying to view email on your iPhone or iPad. You will be prompted to enter your password, but the error reappears even though you enter your correct password.
To fix this problem perform the following steps:
Go out of the "Mail" app to your home screen
Open "Settings"
Select "Mail" -> "Accounts"
Select your GCSU email account.
Select "Re-enter Password" at the top.
You will be taken to the Microsoft site to allow the required permissions to continue using the Mail app on your phone.

The SERVE Help Desk will be available by phone and via email during its regular weekend hours:
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday: Noon to 6 p.m.

For more information, or to fill out a SERVE Help Desk Request Form, please visit the SERVE Help Desk website.
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Announcements Posted Monday October 31, 2022

Shared Sick Leave Program Enrollment: Open for 2023

Human Resources, Office of : Monday October 31, 2022

The Shared Sick Leave Program will be open for enrollment Monday, October 24, 2022 - Friday, November 4, 2022, for participation effective January 1, 2023.

All interested participants, should complete and submit the “Shared Sick Leave Enrollment Form” to benefits@gcsu.edu, by 5:00pm, Friday, November 4, 2022.

The shared sick leave program allows employees to donate unused sick leave to a pool for possible use by another Georgia College employee who is experiencing a serious health condition or whose immediate family members is experiencing a serious health conditions after exhausting all of their accumulate paid leave. Likewise, participation allows contributing employees to request leave from the pool when eligible.

Eligibility for Enrollment (during USG Benefits Open Enrollment Period):

- Must contribute a minimum of eight (8) hours sick leave up to 80 hours, and
- Must maintain a minimum of forty (40) hours of sick leave, at the time of donation, and
- Must hold a “benefits eligible” position, and
- Have completed the provisional (probationary) period

Additional Information:

- Initial Enrollment: At the time of initial enrollment, employees must have a minimum balance of 40 sick hours remaining after donation a minimum of 8 hours of sick leave.
- Current members - No action needed, you will automatically be enrolled into the program for 2023.
- Re-Enrollment: Those members who were granted the maximum (480) sick leave from the shared sick leave pool in 2022, must submit a new enrollment form in order to participate in 2023, and meet all eligibility requirements during re-enrollment.
- Special Enrollment: When the program is determined to be depleted (120 hours or less remaining balance) a "special enrollment period" will be conducted with an appeal to the Georgia College community at large to donate sick leave. Current members will be notified in writing, that (8) eight hours will be deducted from their sick leave balance.
- Terminate membership: An employee may terminate their membership at any time by completing and submitting the “Shared Sick Leave Program Termination Form.” Any leave contributed to the pool prior to withdrawal from the program shall be forfeited.

Resources:

For detailed information regarding the policy and forms please visit:


For detailed information regarding the USG policy, please visit:

https://www.usg.edu/hr/assets/hr/HRAP_Shared_Sick_Leave_Program_Time_Away_from_Work.pdf
In the event the link above is broken, please login to Unify and follow these steps on the Intranet:

1. Human Resources
2. Employee Relations
3. Shared Leave Program

Please submit your questions to: benefits@gcsu.edu

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In the GC Journeys October Newsletter, find stories on:

- GC Student and Faculty Chosen For Prestigious National Program for Undergraduate Research
- Leadership Kicks Off 2022-2023 GEM Program
- First Year Experience & Residence Life Host Build A Pal
- 2022 MURACE Symposium A Success
- Apply for GC Journeys Mini-grants
- 2023 NCUR Accepting Submissions

Updated: 2022-10-31
Candlelight Vigil Remembering Abby Savoie

Student Life, Office of : Monday October 31, 2022

The campus community is invited to attend a candlelight vigil in memory of Abby Savoie, a sophomore from Peachtree City who passed away last Friday. We will gather to celebrate Abby's life on Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m. on the steps in front of Russell Auditorium.

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Forgotten Voices: Remember and Honoring the Unheard Voices of the Women of the Indigenous Community through Art & History

Women's Center: Monday October 31, 2022

GC2Y Sex and Resistance has partnered up with the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs to host an event to educate our community on Indigenous women in art and history. We will highlight major issues and resistance figures of the Indigenous communities by sharing different forms of art and media. Our event will be held at The Hub, November 3rd, at 11:00 am. We hope to see you there!

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Women's Center
Jazz Band: "Eclectic"

Music, Department of: Monday October 31, 2022

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 3-4 The Georgia College & State University Jazz Band will perform “Eclectic Jazz” at 7:30 p.m. both nights in Russell Auditorium. Director of Bands, Clifford Towner, will lead student musicians in an evening hodgepodge of energetic, upbeat jazz favorites. The program contains 10 pieces from a variety of jazz styles and time periods—from the 1930s to a new work being premiered. Jazz greats will be featured like “Baa Baa Black Sheep” by Sherman Irby; “Moanin’” by Charles Mingus; “Big Swing Face” by Bill Potts; “Scratchin’ in the Gravel” by Mary Lou Williams, “Smada” by Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn; and “Stolen Moments” by Oliver Nelson. Words to the new composition, “True Bliss,” were written by Dr. Ashok Hegde, a professor in biology and environmental sciences. The music was written by music faculty Dr. David Johnson. The new piece will be sung by new Georgia College lecturer Gregory Wascoe. This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A $5 donation is encouraged. All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the GC Department of Music through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.

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ATTACHMENT
Notes about attachments are on the second page of this document.
Jazz Band program 11.3 and 11.4.2022.pdf
Check out this week's edition of the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs Weekly Update! Follow this link to view the newsletter online.

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Update on the Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy

Center for Early Language & Literacy : Monday October 31, 2022

Dear Campus Community,

Dr. Theresa Magpuri-Lavell, who led the Deal Center for the last five years, has resigned as Executive Director. During that time, Dr. Magpuri-Lavell led the center in providing a strong foundation to reach its mission of improving literacy for the families and children of Georgia.

The search for a new executive director is forthcoming. In the interim, to continue to honor the legacy of Georgia College alumna, Former First Lady Sandra Dunagan Deal, and her passion and work in promoting literacy for all Georgians, the leadership of the center will be provided by a strong team. Kimberly Scott remains as Administrative Office Manager of the Deal Center. Dr. Joseph Peters, Deal Center Board Member and Dean of the College of Education will provide oversight of staff and budget; Dr. Kristina Dandy, Professor of Psychology, will support staff in project management and research; and Dr. Holley Roberts, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Director of The Graduate School and Professor of Early Childhood Education, will play a more active role in the day-to-day operations of the center. Dr. Roberts and Commissioner Amy Jacobs will continue to work closely together to ensure the momentum and advancement of the center continues as Georgia’s research and training center for early language and literacy development.

The interim leadership team thanks Dr. Magpuri-Lavell for her steadfast leadership and wishes her well in her future endeavors. The team's goals are to continue building on the firm foundation Dr. Theresa Magpuri-Lavell and the Deal Center Team provided and to seek out a highly qualified leader who will propel the center into the future.

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Center for Early Language & Literacy
Forgotten Voices: Remembering and Honoring the Unheard Voices of the Women of the Indigenous Community through Art & History

Women's Center : Monday October 31, 2022

GC2Y Sex and Resistance has partnered up with the Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs to host an event to educate our community on Indigenous women in art and history. We will highlight major issues and resistance figures of the Indigenous communities by sharing different forms of art and media.

Our event will be held at The Hub, November 3rd, at 11:00 am.

We hope to see you there!

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Open Enrollment: Do I Have to Take Action? (Answer - YES!)

Human Resources, Office of : Monday October 31, 2022

Welcome to another active Open Enrollment! This means that if you currently have benefits through Georgia College, you have a few REQUIRED ACTION ITEMS.

Everyone MUST login and answer the tobacco and working spouse (if applicable) certification question(s). Even if employees don’t want to make a single change, they HAVE to answer the questions that apply to them.

- Failure to login and answer the required certification question(s) will result in a default surcharge. This year, the tobacco surcharge(s) AND the working spouse surcharge are increasing from $100 per month to $150 per month.

Depending on your particular benefit coverage, you may have to answer one, some, or all of the following certification questions:

- Tobacco use for employee (answer YES/NO if you use tobacco)
- Tobacco use for spouse (if you have a covered spouse, answer YES/NO if they use tobacco)
- Working spouse (if you have a covered spouse, answer YES/NO if they are employed and are offered health benefits through their employer)
- Dependent(s) age 18+ tobacco use (if you have one or more dependents age 18+, answer YES/NO if they use tobacco)

If an employee does nothing and has a covered spouse and at least 1 dependent age 18+ on their existing plan, their choice to “take no action” will result in $600 per month in default surcharges. Please make sure you login to OneUSG between October 28th and November 4th to answer these certification questions; doing so may save you some money!

Other items to consider reviewing during Open Enrollment, even if you don’t want to make any changes to your existing coverage:

- If you have a Flexible Spending Account (FSA), you MUST re-elect this annually; your current election will not automatically rollover for next year.
- Consider reviewing any beneficiaries listed for your life insurance and retirement plans (mandatory and/or supplemental) while you’re logging in to make your annual elections. It’s ALWAYS a good idea to make sure these are accurate on an annual basis or as needed!

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Georgia College's Women's Leadership Faculty Fellows Program 2022-2023

Provost & Academic Affairs, Office of the : Monday October 31, 2022

The Women’s Leadership Faculty Fellows Program was established in 2019 to provide a carefully selected group of current faculty members with dedicated time to develop and hone leadership skills and gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities confronting higher education, specifically with a focus on issues women face in academic administration. The program is administered by the Office of Academic Affairs and facilitated by Dr. Holley Roberts, Associate Provost of Academic Affairs and Director of The Graduate School, Dr. Mandy Jarriel, Associate Professor, College of Health Sciences, and the Faculty Fellows Associate, Dr. Liz Speelman.

For more information, see the website at https://www.gcsu.edu/provost/womens-leadership-faculty-fellows-program. Questions about the program may be directed to Drs. Roberts or Jarriel at holley.roberts@gcsu.edu or mandy.jarriel@gcsu.edu.

Congratulations to the Fellows for 2022-2023:

Dr. Christina Smith, Associate Professor of Communications, MSCM Coordinator, Internship Coordinator

Dr. Jennifer Flory, Professor of Music and Presiding Officer of the University Senate

Dr. Joy Bracewell, Assistant Professor of English, Director of the Writing Center

Dr. Katie Simon, Associate Professor of English

Dr. Kerry Neville, Associate Professor of English, MFA Coordinator

Dr. Nancy Mizelle, Professor of Middle Grades Education and Chair, Department of Professional Learning and Innovation

Dr. Stefanie Sevcik, Lecturer of English, Faculty Director, MURACE (Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors)

Dr. Wathsala Medawala, Associate Professor of Chemistry

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