

Announcements Posted Monday February 3, 2025

Spring 2025 Nursing Recruitment Fair - Monday, Feb. 10

Career Center : Monday February 3, 2025

Join us Monday, Feb. 10, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. for the Spring 2025 Nursing Recruitment Fair in Magnolia Ballroom. This event is a great opportunity for nursing students and students interested in the healthcare industry to gather information on career opportunities and make initial contacts with 25+ potential employers. It is also an excellent chance for our pre-nursing students to engage in meaningful career exploration.



You never have a second chance to make a first impression, so business attire is encouraged for this event, particularly for those graduating and seeking full-time jobs and internships. You may also wear attire appropriate for your profession if you are in clinical rotations or reporting to work in the healthcare profession that day. Résumés are also highly encouraged so that you can leave information about yourself with the representatives. Even if you have applied online, attending the fair helps the recruiter know who you are when you follow up with them at a later date.

We hope to see you there!

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Apply for Staff Professional Development funds

Staff Council : Monday February 3, 2025

Staff Professional Development is an important component for career advancement. We encourage all staff members to take advantage of this benefit, which can be used for conferences, trainings and more.

Staff professional development is defined as any educational or training opportunity that improves and enhances skills and job capabilities related to the staff member's current job. You may apply to the staff development chair to pay the cost of your registration fee up to \$500 per person, per department, per six months (January – June and July – December).

Staff Development funds are intended to be used as a supplement to departmental funds. They are not intended to replace departmental funds. Check with your supervisor to see what is available.

To apply, please complete the [Staff Development Funds Application](#).

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Prize money to be awarded for outstanding digital humanities presentations at Research Day

Digital Humanities Collaborative : Monday February 3, 2025

The Digital Humanities Collaborative is thrilled to announce that for the fourth consecutive year, we will award students with prize money for outstanding presentations of digital humanities scholarship at Research Day. We encourage students to submit proposals for posters and oral papers to be presented in our special sessions. Research may be completed or in progress.

For examples of past student DH projects, [see our showcase](#). Proposals may be submitted until March 3 through the [conference portal](#). Research Day 2025 will be held on April 16.

Questions about the special sessions may be directed to the DHC faculty coordinator, [Elissa Auerbach](#).

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Thank-a-Teacher @ GCSU: Fall '24 acknowledgements

Center for Teaching & Learning : Monday February 3, 2025

We are thrilled to announce that student acknowledgments for Thank-a-Teacher @ GCSU for the fall '24 semester are now available on our website.

View the complete list of recipients at <https://www.gcsu.edu/thank-a-teacher-center-for-teaching-and-learning>.

Join us in congratulating our dedicated instructors, who have made a significant impact on our students this semester!

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[Center for Teaching & Learning](https://www.gcsu.edu/thank-a-teacher-center-for-teaching-and-learning)

Spring 2025 Graduate Research Travel Grants

The Graduate School : Monday February 3, 2025

The Graduate School is accepting applications for the spring 2025 cycle of the Graduate Research Travel Grants program. Georgia College & State University graduate students are encouraged to apply for the funding to support registration costs and travel expenses associated with the presentation of their own original scholarship at professional conferences.

For more information and the application, visit the [Graduate Opportunities](#) web page. The application deadline is Feb. 15. With the deadline falling on a weekend, we are extending the submission period through Mon., Feb. 17, by 11:59 p.m.

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Valentine's Day Rendezvous: Max Noah Singers

Music, Department of : Monday February 3, 2025

Saturday, Feb. 8 Georgia College's Max Noah Singers will present "Valentine's Day Rendezvous" at 7:30 p.m. in Magnolia Ballroom at the Student Activity Center. The concert will also be live streamed at facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A variety of old and new love songs will be performed by the full ensemble, from the Spice Girls' "Wannabe" to hits released by Billie Eilish. In addition, there will be a assortment of solos, duets, a trio, and small ensembles performing pop music, musical theatre, and original songs. A \$5 donation is encouraged. Online donations can be made at <https://give.gcsu.edu/g/departments-of-music/>. 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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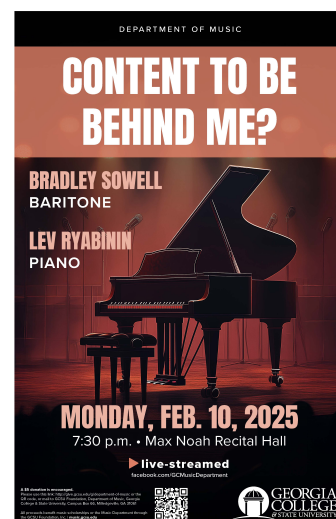
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Announcements Posted Tuesday February 4, 2025

Faculty Recital: Bradley Sowell, baritone, "Content to Be Behind Me"

Music, Department of : Tuesday February 4, 2025

Monday, Feb. 10 Georgia College & State University's Department of Music presents a Faculty Recital, "Content to Be Behind Me," 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall, featuring Bradley Sowell, baritone; and Lev Ryabinin, piano. Often, the pianist is treated as the "accompanist" in voice recitals; however, this performance will showcase the pianist as a concert soloist in addition to a collaborative artist with the singer. There will be voice and piano works by Robert Schumann, Frédéric Chopin, Claude Debussy, with Ben Moore's comedy song Content to Be Behind Me ending the program. This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A \$5 donation is encouraged. Online donations can be made at <https://give.gcsu.edu/g/departments-of-music/>. 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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Faculty Recital Program 2.10.2025_0.pdf

Program Notes for Content to Be Behind Me Recital_0.pdf

Feb. 12 - Schedule an In-Person Financial Consultation with Corebridge Financial's (Formerly AIG/Valic) Tom Smith

Human Resources, Office of : Tuesday February 4, 2025

Tom Smith, financial advisor for Corebridge Financial (formerly AIG/Valic) will be on campus and available for one-on-one consultations Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2025.

These consultations will take place in the Wooten-Garner House's Conference Room. Smith will have availability from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in 45-minute increments, which means availability will be limited. It is advised that you reserve your time ASAP.

[Click here to schedule an appointment with Tom Smith on Feb. 12, 2025.](#)

Additional on-campus opportunities to meet with Smith have been scheduled for the same location the following dates:

- Wednesday, March 12, 2025 - Kilpatrick Hall, Conference Room #221
- Wednesday, April 9, 2025 - Kilpatrick Hall, Conference Room #221

Should the upcoming on-campus availability not work with your personal schedule on any of these dates, you may contact Smith directly to explore other options for meeting at:

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CANCELED: Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. — Associate Dean candidate presentation and open forum for the College of Education

College of Education : Tuesday February 4, 2025

The presentation and open forum for the position of the John H. Lounsbury College of Education Associate Dean scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 4, at 2 p.m. is canceled.

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Announcements Posted Wednesday February 5, 2025

Hiring 2025 Summer Camp counselors

Continuing & Professional Education : Wednesday February 5, 2025

Spend your summer gaining valuable experience with CPE camps! [Applications are now open](#) for summer 2025.

Georgia College & State University Kids' University has been serving the Milledgeville-Baldwin County community for over 30 years and is looking for this summer's team of counselors! A day at camp includes programming like crafts, themed activities and pool/water time.



Camp will run from May 26-July 25, 2025.

[Learn more and apply online. . .](#)

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Faculty regalia orders due April 9

Barnes & Noble at Georgia College : Wednesday February 5, 2025

Faculty needing regalia for spring commencement will need to place their orders by April 9.

To order regalia, [complete the order form](#), and submit to sm8124@bncollege.com or a printed copy to the Barnes & Noble at Georgia College & State University location at the Campus Theatre.

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[Barnes & Noble at Georgia College](#)

Outdoor Emergency Notification System Test

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2025

Public Safety : Wednesday February 5, 2025

Georgia College & State University will test the Outdoor Emergency Notification System (siren system) Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2025. This test is scheduled to occur the first Wednesday of every month between 10 a.m. and noon and will last approximately one minute. No action is required during the testing, and all campus operations should continue as normal. A message stating that this is a test will precede and follow the "alert" tone. In the case of an actual tornado warning, the message would advise of a tornado warning, and the tone would cycle through. This would be repeated every five minutes until the warning expires or is canceled, at which time an all clear message would sound. The audible system test will only be tested when clear sky conditions are present. Tests will not occur when skies are dark or severe weather is predicted for the area on the day the test is scheduled to occur. In this case, the test will be rescheduled for later in the month.

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

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

For more information on the Outdoor Emergency Notification System and other campus emergency systems, [please visit the emergency systems page on the Public Safety website](#).

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Virtual Pitch Competition: Win real money

Accounting, Department of : Wednesday February 5, 2025

The Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship is recruiting up to four students to participate in the University of New Mexico's Global Scaling Competition. The competition is entirely online and has two rounds, a qualifying round in March and a finals round in April. Last year the Georgia College & State University Team won first place, securing a \$7,500 payday, as well as a \$2,500 award for a first place finish in the qualifying round.

Contact Dr Creel at Nicholas.Creel@gcsu.edu if you would like to be on this year's team. The expected total time commitment over the entire competition is approximately 10-12 hours.

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Northside Hospital Tabling Feb. 7 and 11

Career Center : Wednesday February 5, 2025

Northside Hospital will table in the Health Science Building's Student Commons Feb. 7 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Feb. 11 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. to share information about available externship and full-time employment opportunities for nursing students.

Northside is an extensive network of state-of-the-art facilities staffed with skilled, caring professionals who are dedicated to the health and wellness of the communities they serve. All Northside Hospitals are full-service, acute-care facilities that offer particular expertise in maternity services, women's health, cancer care, sports medicine, cardiovascular and surgery services. Stop by their table to learn more!

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Barnes & Noble - February sales

Barnes & Noble at Georgia College : Wednesday February 5, 2025

Valentine's Day sales:

All romance books - buy two get a third free

Up to 60% off select Kukuyo Smoko products



Self care product lines:

Lifelines wellness products - buy one get one free

50% off select Be Well Be You products

Graduation:

Graduation regalia now on sale!

20% off diploma frames

General sales:

Paperback favorites - buy one get one 50% off

New books 20% off

Up to 60% off select planners

\$8.50 Smart Lunch Combo

Online savings

15% off savings on Feb. 10, Feb. 17 and Feb. 26-27

Free shipping on orders over \$49 on Feb. 5-9, Feb. 11-13, Feb. 15-16, Feb. 18-21, Feb. 23, Feb. 25 and Feb. 28.

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[Barnes & Noble at Georgia College](#)

Announcements Posted Thursday February 6, 2025

College of Business & Technology February Newsletter

College of Business & Technology : Thursday February 6, 2025

The [February 2025](#) Newsletter features our Department of Information Systems & Computer Science. Read about our 2025 Executive in Residence and Executive Forum Programs, hear from some talented alumni and explore ways to get engaged with our students!

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Announcements Posted Friday February 7, 2025

2024-2025 Staff Performance Evaluations

Human Resources, Office of : Friday February 7, 2025

The Office of Human Resources hoped to utilize the ePerformance module within OneUSG for the evaluation period of Feb. 1, 2024 – Jan. 31, 2025. In reviewing where that initiative currently stands:

1. System: Further understanding is needed of the back-end set-up, workflow sequencing and end-user experience. Testing items are still pending to ensure our employees and managers have a successful experience with OneUSG ePerformance.
2. Staffing: With the departure of three full-time HR employees during 2024, day-to-day business continuity became the priority over special projects.
3. Campus deliverables: Thank you to the 98% of managers who have vetted and returned job profiles to us. While the staffing challenges cited above have inhibited our pace of loading these into OneUSG for your use, we will continue to focus on that effort, as well as following up with the last 2% since these job responsibilities comprise 30% of the evaluation criteria and score. We have also not been able to confirm that all prior evaluations established the goal setting components that comprise another 30% of the employee's evaluation criteria and score.

Given these considerations, we will utilize the existing evaluation process for one more review cycle. The expected action items and timeline for completion can be found here: <https://my.gcsu.edu/human-resources/performance-management-0>. From this webpage, navigate to HR forms (see menu on right side of screen), Employee Relations. The four forms available are titled:

- Non-Exempt Self-Evaluation Form (optional, employee completes)
- Non-Exempt Evaluation Form (required, supervisor completes)
- Exempt Self-Evaluation Form (optional, employee completes)
- Exempt Evaluation Form (required, supervisor completes)

All completed evaluations will be submitted via email, not via interoffice mail, to evals@gcsu.edu by March 28, 2025.

The timeline is also attached to this announcement as a .pdf file.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact evals@gcsu.edu.

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[2024-2025 Performance Evaluation Timeline.pdf](#)

Mindful Monday for Feb. 10

Student Health and Wellbeing, Office of : Friday February 7, 2025

The Mindful Monday for Feb. 3 is an affirmation for peace and emotional regulation: "Let negative feelings pass over you like a breeze. Acknowledge them and then let them go."

Mindful Monday is a Year 1 initiative of Georgia College & State University's QEP, Bobcats FIRST. Here's what you can do to be part of this initiative:



- Follow @gcsu_bobcatsfirst on Instagram or download the attached image.
- Share the Mindful Monday post to your departmental and/or personal social media account.
- Reference the Mindful Monday in class, and ask students to reflect silently or aloud.
- Share in other creative ways to promote mindfulness, positivity and belonging.

To receive the Mindful Monday posts on Fridays directly to your e-mail, join the distribution list by clicking [here](#).

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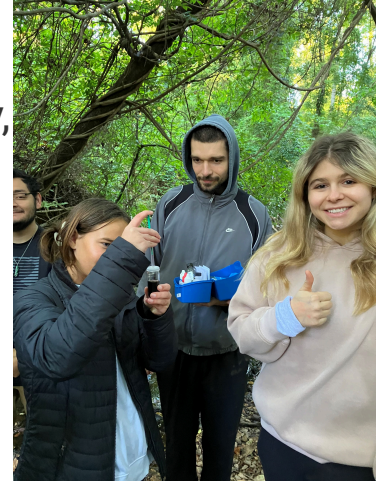
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Georgia Adopt-a-Stream monitoring: You can make a positive impact

Academic Outreach : Friday February 7, 2025

Looking for something to show you care on Valentine's Day? Join us for some stream monitoring! Join us Friday, Feb. 14, for chemical monitoring of several streams that run through or impact Georgia College & State University:



- Champion Creek at Lake Laurel (9 - 10 a.m.) at Georgia College's East Campus
- Tobler Creek at Andalusia Farm (10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.)
- Tanyard Creek by College Station (2:30 - 3:30 p.m.)

No experience necessary. Be sure to wear closed-toed shoes that can get wet. We will use Georgia Adopt-a-Stream methods to test temperature, dissolved oxygen, conductivity and pH of the streams, all while enjoying the beauty of Georgia College & State University! Can't make it this time? No worries. We monitor monthly, so check back for more opportunities.

This is a GCSU Thirst for Knowledge event.

Register today using this link: <https://givepul.se/1618ou>. Questions? Email Ruth Eilers (ruth.eilers@gcsu.edu) to learn more.

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Faculty Recital - "The New Madness," Andrew Allen, saxophone

Music, Department of : Friday February 7, 2025

Thursday, Feb. 13 Georgia College & State University's Department of Music presents a Faculty Recital, "The New Madness," 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall, featuring Andrew J. Allen, saxophone; and Owen Lovell, piano. This concert will include themes of love and loss by composers from a diverse number of musical trends of the twentieth century, including lush romanticism to avant-garde experimentalism. William Albright's Sonata for alto saxophone and piano, whose second movement, "La folia nuova," or "The new madness," is a homage to the composer George Caccipo, a departed friend of Albright's. The title communicates the peaks and valleys of high and low emotional states found in the musical program. This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A \$5 donation is encouraged. Online donations can be made at <https://give.gcsu.edu/g/departments-of-music/>. 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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GCSU programs serving non-GCSU student minors

Legal Affairs : Monday February 10, 2025

Georgia College & State University must ensure that all programs involving non-GCSU student minors (ages 17 and under) follow the established policy and procedures concerning their protection.

[Georgia College Protection of Minors Policy](#)

When you choose to offer a program, course or event where Georgia College assumes custody of the children, you as the program administrator, are responsible for the safety and protection of the children, staff and volunteers. [Non-University organizations](#) that operate programs or activities involving minors at Georgia College are also required to run consistent with our guidelines. All Georgia College programs serving minors must designate a program administrator, who must be a Georgia College employee and agree to comply with Georgia College's written policy and procedures.

Georgia College has a Protection of Minors “one-stop” website that provides step-by-step guidance to assist all Georgia College supervisors and program administrators who offer programs for minors. Anyone offering a program is required to thoroughly review and implement the information provided on this website.

[GEORGIA COLLEGE PROTECTION OF MINORS WEBSITE \(log in required\)](#)

Before offering a program, the program administrator must register the program and gain the necessary approval to proceed. Program administrators are also required to complete and pass the annual Program Administrator Training provided through [GeorgiaVIEW](#). Programs should gain approval through the registry prior to advertising or reserving space.

Please remember to renew registration for all ongoing GCSU Programs Serving Minors for the upcoming school year. All ongoing programs and new programs must register their program on an annual basis.

[REGISTER YOUR PROGRAM \(log in required\)](#)

In advance of planning and registering a program, please visit the [website](#) to review all requirements and resources provided. All program administrators should allow sufficient time for proper program development, planning, hiring/background screening and staff training.

There is no one centralized department for all Georgia College programs that work with children. Michael Baker serves as the campus coordinator for the GCSU Programs Serving Minors. For questions, concerns, clarification or guidance, please contact him by phone ([478-445-2027](tel:478-445-2027)) or by e-mail (programsservingminors@gcsu.edu).

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Times Talk Wednesday, Feb. 12, noon-12:50 p.m. in room 241, Russell Library with Dr. Stephanie McClure on “Can we have hope in times of despair? Try thinking like a utopian”

American Democracy Project : Monday February 10, 2025

Please join us Wednesday Feb. 12, in Russell Library, room 241 from 12 until 12:50 p.m. for this week's Times Talk facilitated by Dr. Stephanie McClure, professor of Sociology on “Can we have hope in times of despair? Try thinking like a utopian.”



The following article may be referred to during the discussion if you'd like to read it ahead of time; How to think like a Utopian:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/06/15/magazine/utopia.html?smid=url-share>.

Times Talk at Georgia College & State University is celebrating 19 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly facilitated campus-wide conversation 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. There will be free pizza while it lasts!

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[American Democracy Project](https://www.american-democracy-project.org/)

Free donuts from the Writing Center

The Writing Center : Monday February 10, 2025

Come to the A&S Fountain between 10 and 11 a.m. on Feb.12 for a complimentary donut in celebration of International Writing Centers Week, courtesy of the Georgia College & State University Writing Center. Talk with our tutors and grab a treat before they're gone!



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Staff Holiday Calendars for 2026 and 2027

Finance & Administration : Monday February 10, 2025

Throughout the University System of Georgia, each institution is awarded 13 established paid holidays each calendar year in accordance with Board Policy 8.2.6 and state law. These paid holidays are provided to all benefit-eligible employees.

Following those guidelines, the GCSU Staff Holiday Calendars are planned in advance. The 2026 and 2027 Staff Holiday Calendars have been approved by Executive Cabinet and can be found at the following link:

<https://www.gcsu.edu/humanresources/holiday>.

Please review the calendars and make note of any campus closures for the upcoming years. Reminders will be sent out as we approach each closure.

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FY2025 year-end deadlines approaching

Finance & Administration : Monday February 10, 2025

Please see the following communication regarding the upcoming fiscal year-end deadlines:

The fiscal year end is approaching, which means we must accurately account for the institution's financials before closing out the fiscal year on June 30, 2025. This includes ensuring that any funding that can possibly lapse (go back to the state) is accounted for properly. As a state entity, we are governed by certain purchasing policies and procedures, which include deadlines for purchases of varying dollar amounts. To ensure that expenditures are properly reported during the transition of fiscal years, we have deadlines for receiving transactional items. These deadlines, as listed below, are necessary to guarantee that transactions are properly executed and that our financials are appropriately reported.

CRITICAL DEADLINES

Purchase Order cutoff dates:

- March 14, 2025 - Non-contract requisitions over \$100,000. (Non-contract items are not available on state or agency contracts.)
- April 14, 2025 – Non-contract requisitions between \$25,000 and \$100,000.
- May 1, 2025 – Requisitions up to \$25,000, state or agency contract purchases for any amount.

Project requests and purchases:

- March 14, 2025 - Requests that require scope development and/or design components (Ex. Renovation, paint, carpet, HVAC, Electrical, furniture, etc.) should be received in the Facilities Planning Office by March 14, 2025. Contractor pricing, lead time for materials and items that require design (architectural, furniture) all take longer than in years

past. If you have any questions, please contact Ranee Parker at (478) 445-8607.

e-Procurement:

- Will not allow requisitions to be entered after May 1, 2025. Requisitions must be entered before 5 p.m. on May 1, 2025, in order to be processed. Requisitions must also be approved and have a valid budget check by the dates above in order to provide adequate time for processing. If you have any questions concerning whether items are non-contract or contract, please contact the Purchasing staff at (478) 445-0504.

P-Card cutoff dates:

- May 26, 2025– All P-Card transactions occurring between April 28, 2025, through May 27, 2025, must be allocated and signed off by cardholders and approvers in Works. P-Card purchases after this date will not be included in the FY2026 budget. This cutoff will help ensure that all transactions posted on or before this date are posted to your FY2025 budgets. There may be circumstances where a transaction is delayed and does not post until after the above date. In those cases, the charge will be posted against your FY2026 budget. You can continue to use your card after the above date with the understanding that those charges will be posted against your FY2026 budget.
- June 6, 2025 – Signed P-card statements with receipts and approvals are due in the Purchasing Department by 5 p.m.

Accounting Services cutoff dates:

- May 1, 2025 – Last day to submit online check requests (i.e., registrations, memberships, direct billings for hotel/car rental, hotel prepayments, refunds, food items, Sodexo invoices, etc.), that are needed before July 10, 2025.

- June 5, 2025 – All petty cash requests for reimbursements are due to Accounting Office by 5 p.m.
- June 12, 2025 – Approved paper travel expense statements (for non-employee, encumbered or international travel) are due by 5 p.m.

Travel cutoff dates:

- May 1, 2025 – Year-End Travel Form (see attached)- This form is required for any travel within May 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025, period for encumbrances purposes. All Year- End Travel Forms should be sent to susan.demmon@gcsu.edu.
- June 12, 2025 –Last day to submit online travel for reimbursement.

Reminder - New vendors:

- Purchasing and Accounting will need to allow four (4) weeks to validate new suppliers as we approach the year-end deadlines.

User Charges cutoff dates:

- June 6, 2025 – Deadline for monthly user charges including Bookstore, gas, mail and printshop. For questions, please call Young-Ho Cha at (478) 445-6801.

Payroll fiscal year-end notice:

- June 21, 2025 – Any hours submitted after June 21, 2025, for Non-Benefitted Temporary Employees (students, casual labor, hourly rehired retirees) will be posted to the FY 2026 budget. Please keep this in mind for any employees working during the June 22 – June 30, 2025, time period.

Please use the following contact list for additional information or clarification:

- Purchase Orders and P-Cards (Purchasing) – (478) 445-0504
- Petty Cash (Accounting) – (478) 445-8516
- Online Check Request (Accounting) – (478) 445-2961
- Travel Reimbursements, Travel Advances and Year-End Travel (Accounting) – (478) 445-1178
- Payroll – (478) 445-6096
- Budget Office – (478) 445-8295
- Facilities Planning - (478) 445-8607

Thank you for your efforts in maintaining these policies and procedures.

The Office of the Vice President for Finance & Administration

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2024 Nobel Prize in Physiology/Medicine - Dinner seminar led by Dr. Kasey Karen, hosted by Dr. Steve Elliott-Gower

Honors College : Monday February 10, 2025

Dr. Kasey Karen will discuss the work of Drs. Victor Ambros and Gary Ruvkun, who were awarded the [2024 Nobel Prize in Physiology/Medicine](#) for the discovery of microRNA and its role in post-transcriptional gene regulation. This event is open to all students. The registration link is <https://gcsu.campuslabs.com/engage/event/10771208>.

This event will take place Monday, Feb. 10, from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m. at the Humber-White House.

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Scholarship application tabling event

Financial Aid : Monday February 10, 2025

Get a head start for the next school year! Stop by the Financial Aid Office table on front campus from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. to get information on scholarship opportunities for the 2025-2026 school year.

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Senior Exit Exam Registration deadline

Center for Testing : Tuesday February 11, 2025

Attention to all spring 2025 graduates! The deadline to register for the senior exit exams is Feb. 14, 2025. Please visit our website at www.gcsu.edu/testingcenter to reserve your spot. If you do not registered by the deadline, there will be a \$25 late registration fee.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the Center for Testing at 478-445-5016 or gctesting@gcsu.edu.

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[Center for Testing](http://www.gcsu.edu/testingcenter)

Wellness and Recreation Center offers Fitness Equipment Orientations

Wellness & Recreation : Tuesday February 11, 2025

Get ready to level up your fitness journey! 💪

Feeling a little nervous about using gym equipment? Or maybe you're just not sure how to incorporate fitness gear into your routine? We've got you covered! 🎯

Join us for our Fitness Equipment Orientations – the perfect opportunity to get comfortable with the gym, learn how to use the equipment safely and kickstart your fitness goals with confidence. No prior gym experience is needed!

What to Expect:

- Hands-on guidance with gym equipment
- Tips for building your fitness routine
- A supportive and welcoming environment for all fitness levels

When and Where:

- Six orientations every week: Wednesdays and Thursdays, afternoons at the WRC
- Sign up via IMLeagues – spots are limited!

Come get familiar with the equipment, ask questions and set yourself up for success. Whether you're a total beginner or just looking to refresh your knowledge, this is for you!

Let's make fitness fun and approachable together! 🙌

Don't miss out – sign up today!

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[Equipment Orientation Flyer.pdf](#)

Warren named PBC Player of the Week

Athletics : Tuesday February 11, 2025

AUGUSTA, Ga. | Georgia College & State University's [Jada Warren](#) has been named the Peach Belt Conference Women's Basketball Player of the Week ending Feb. 9.



PBC
Peach Belt Conference
Women's Basketball
Player of the Week



Warren, a 6-foot-1 senior forward from Norcross, Georgia, helped lead the Bobcats to a pair of wins last week, averaging 16.0 rebounds per game.

Warren collected 14 rebounds in 30 minutes as GCSU defeated fifth-ranked University of North Georgia on the road before adding 18 boards in a home win over Flagler College. Warren became the Bobcats' all-time leading rebounder against the Saints. Her 1,014 career rebounds currently ranked seventh in the PBC record book. Warren ranks first in NCAA Division II statistics in total rebounds (309) and rebounds per game (14.0).

The Bobcats return to the court Wednesday (Feb. 12) when they host the University of South Carolina-Beaufort in a 5:30 p.m. PBC contest inside the Centennial Center.

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National College Health Assessment 2025

Student Health and Wellbeing, Office of : Tuesday February 11, 2025

The data collected from the National College Health Assessment is critical for many strategic initiatives on campus. These include the QEP, Bobcats FIRST, Counseling, Health Promotion, Health Services, as well as several academic areas also use this data to inform programs, services and initiatives. The NCHA will be administered at Georgia College & State University between Feb. 24 and March 10.



To get the most robust response rate, we ask faculty to allow us time to administer the survey in their classes. Please complete this form to allow us to visit your classes and give the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/r/v60xPN9s9v>. If you would prefer to administer the survey yourself, we will share more information closer to the launch date.

For more information about the NCHA, contact Rachel Pope (rachel.pope@gcsu.edu) or Emily Jarvis (emily.jarvis@gcsu.edu).

Thank you!

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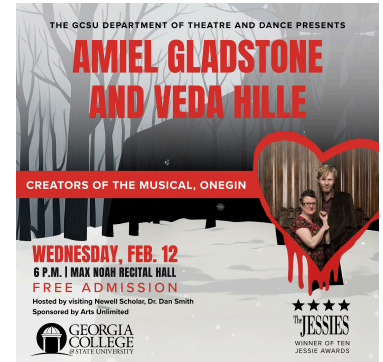
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Department of Theatre & Dance presents Amiel Gladstone and Veda Hille, creators of the musical Onegin Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 6 p.m., Max Noah Recital Hall

Theatre & Dance, Department of : Tuesday February 11, 2025

Meet the brilliant creators behind Onegin! Join us for an unforgettable evening with playwrights Amiel Gladstone and Veda Hille, hosted by our visiting Newell Scholar, Dr. Dan Smith. Get exclusive insights into the show and the industry - all leading up to the Georgia College & State University Department of Theatre & Dance's must-see production running March 5 - 9.



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Fall 2025 Inside Out Class Application now open

Government & Sociology, Department of : Tuesday February 11, 2025

The fall 2025 Inside Out class application is now open. Inside Out is a renowned international program bringing together college students and incarcerated students to learn about the criminal justice system together. The Georgia College & State University program began in 2018. Each class takes place inside Riverbend Correctional Facility on Tuesday evenings every fall semester. Any major is welcome to apply.

You can apply here <https://forms.office.com/r/LScucEBTPC>. Applications are due by Feb. 21. Contact Dr. Alesa Liles at alesa.liles@gcsu.edu with any questions.

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Monthly Public Safety Tips

Public Safety : Tuesday February 11, 2025

February

1. Winter Weather Safety

- Stay aware of icy conditions on sidewalks, parking lots and steps—wear slip-resistant shoes.
- Drive cautiously in wet or icy conditions, allowing extra stopping distance.
- Dress in layers to prevent hypothermia and frostbite if working outdoors.
- Use caution when using space heaters.

2. Fire Safety & Heating Precautions

- Avoid using space heaters near flammable materials and never leave them unattended.
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in homes and workplaces.
- Ensure electrical cords are in good condition and not overloaded.
- Conduct fire drills and simulate emergency evacuations.
- Learn to properly use a fire extinguisher.

3. Heart Health Awareness (American Heart Month)

- Encourage regular exercise, healthy eating and stress management.
- Recognize signs of a heart attack or stroke—call 911 immediately if symptoms occur.
- Learn CPR and how to use an AED (Automated External Defibrillator).
- Take the GCSU Department of Public Safety Stop the Bleed course.

4. Workplace Safety & Ergonomics

- Maintain proper posture when sitting at a desk to prevent back and neck strain.
- Take breaks to stretch and rest your eyes when working at a computer for long periods.
- Keep walkways clear to prevent tripping hazards.

5. Emergency Preparedness

- Review emergency exit routes and assembly areas in case of fire or other incidents.
- Keep a winter emergency kit in your car (blanket, flashlight, water and non-perishable food).
- Ensure all employees are aware of first aid and emergency response protocols.

6. Valentine's Day

- Don't forget to buy your significant other a gift.
- Don't forget to get a card too.
- Make reservations early to ensure getting one.
- Thank me later. Speaking from experience.

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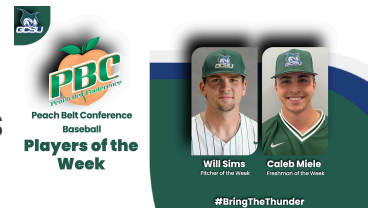
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Sims, Miele named PBC Players of the Week

Athletics : Tuesday February 11, 2025

AUGUSTA, Ga. | Georgia College & State University's [Will Sims](#) and [Caleb Miele](#) have been named Baseball Players of the Week ending Feb. 9 by the Peach Belt Conference.



Sims was named the league's Pitcher of the Week, while Miele was tabbed the PBC Freshman of the Week.

Sims, a senior right-handed pitcher from McDonough, Georgia, made two relief appearances last week, pitching 5.0 innings with one hit and one earned run allowed. Sims, who struck out eight with no walks issued, pitched three hitless innings against Southern Wesleyan University in a 9-6 loss, striking out four. He pitched two innings against Eckerd College, giving up a solo home run and striking out four. Sims didn't record a decision, but lowered his season earned-run average to 1.50 and his opponent batting average to .095.

Miele, a freshman catcher from Brasleton, Georgia, was inserted into the starting lineup in the first two games against Eckerd, hitting .833 with a 1.000 slugging percentage and five RBI. Miele went 2-for-3 in the opener with a double and three RBI and went 3-for-3 in game two with two more RBI. Miele drew two walks and did not strike out.

The 13th-ranked Bobcats returns to action Friday (Feb. 14) when they host Lynn University in a noon doubleheader at John Kurtz Field.

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Announcements Posted Wednesday February 12, 2025

Election results for University Senate - Elected Faculty Senators

University Senate : Wednesday February 12, 2025

In my role as the chair of the Subcommittee on Nominations for the University Senate, I am pleased to announce your newly elected Faculty Senators for 2025/2026:

- College of Health Sciences
 - Shantee Henry (Nursing)
- College of Business & Technology
 - Brad Fowler (MIS)
- College of Arts & Sciences
 - Christine Mutiti (Biological and Environmental Sciences)
 - Peter Rosado and Sayo Fakayode (Chemistry, Physics and Astronomy)
 - Alex Blazer and Sidonia Serafini (English)
 - George Cazacu (Mathematics)
 - Sabrina Hom (Philosophy, Religion and Liberal Studies)
 - Stephanie Jett (Psychological Science)
 - Amy Pinney (Theatre and Dance)

We thank you in advance for your service and commitment to shared governance!

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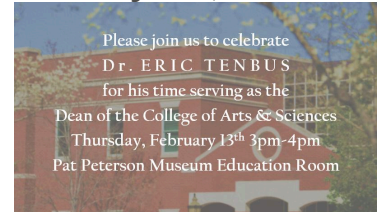
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Dr. Eric Tenbus - Appreciation Reception

Provost & Academic Affairs, Office of the : Wednesday February 12, 2025

Please join us to celebrate Dr. Eric Tenbus for his time serving as the dean of the College of Arts & Sciences Thursday, Feb. 13, from 3 p.m. until 4 p.m. in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room.



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GCSU Jazz Jam Session at Amici Cafe

Music, Department of : Wednesday February 12, 2025

Come out and enjoy our Georgia College & State University Jazz Jam Session Tuesday, Feb. 18, 7-9 pm at Amici Café, downtown Milledgeville, presented by Jazz at GCSU. Hosted by our faculty and student jazz musicians, the GCSU 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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PeopleSoft Online Payment Request training/refresher

Business & Accounting : Wednesday February 12, 2025

Accounting Services invites you to join us Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m. in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room for a training session/refresher course on using the Online Payment Request in PeopleSoft.

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Scholarship application tabling event

Financial Aid : Wednesday February 12, 2025

Get a head start for the next school year! Stop by the Financial Aid Office table Feb. 12, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Arts & Sciences atrium to get information on scholarship opportunities and the FAFSA for 2025-2026.

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New training opportunity: Becoming a Self-Starter

Human Resources, Office of : Wednesday February 12, 2025

The Office of Human Resources is excited to announce a new virtual training opportunity for all employees on Monday, Feb. 24, 2025, from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. See the link below to register and a description of the training. We hope you will be able to join us!

- Training Topic: Balance not Burnout
- When: Monday, Feb. 24, 2025
- Time: 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Registration

Link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8959224709061152090>

Description of the training:

Becoming an empowered self-starter not only unveils boundless possibilities but also lays the foundation for personal and professional development.

This session equips participants with a comprehensive toolkit of strategies—allowing them to not only foster resilience, ignite motivation and embrace accountability, but also cultivate a growth mindset and prioritize self-care. This holistic approach ensures individuals can maintain a positive journey toward lasting success while protecting themselves against burnout.

How participants will benefit from this training.

In this session, participants will:

- Uncover the essential qualities that define a self-starter and set the foundation for personal success.
- Discover how to bounce back from challenges and setbacks while maintaining self-driven momentum.

- Understand the intricacies of motivation and learn techniques to sustain their inner drive.
- Unlock the potential of a growth mindset to embrace challenge and continuous improvement.
- Learn self-care practices to keep their self-starter flame burning without succumbing to burnout.

Uncover the essential qualities that define a self-starter and set the foundation for personal success.

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Camp registration opens soon

Continuing & Professional Education : Thursday February 13, 2025

Have your children join Continuing & Professional Education on campus for one of our many summer camp opportunities!



Summer 2025 will have Kids' University, Athletic Camps and Specialty Camps tailored for ages 5-17. Learn more about our camps on our camp catalog and sign up for our Camps Newsletter to be the first to know when registration opens.

Registration will open March 2025, so don't miss out!

[Visit Our Camp Catalog.](#)

[Sign Up for Our Camps Newsletter.](#)

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GCSU Research Day 2025: Submissions due March 3

**Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors (MURACE) :
Thursday February 13, 2025**

Important dates to note for the 2025 GCSU Research Day

- [Submission](#) (click) Due Date: March 3 (Monday)
- Research Day kicked off: Women's and Gender Studies and Honors College Keynote April 15
- [Research Day](#) (click): April 16 (Wednesday)

We invite all undergraduate and graduate students to share their projects with the campus community. Projects do not need to be fully completed at the time of submission; works in progress are welcome! We also encourage submissions of projects that are or will be presented at conferences during this academic year. Students who receive(d) MURACE travel awards are expected to submit their work to present at the Research Day.

Research Day is an event to celebrate and showcase student success through mentored research and creative projects. We hope to see everyone participating as presenters or supporting their peers on this day.

Contact murace@gcsu.edu if you have any questions.

MURACE Director

Tsu-Ming Chiang, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology

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[Mentored Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors \(MURACE\)](#).

Free tax preparation services now available with double the capacity to serve Milledgeville area residents

College of Business & Technology : Thursday February 13, 2025

Free tax preparation services for Milledgeville area residents are now available due to a partnership with Georgia College & State University and United Way. The program offers twice the capacity to assist local community members with their 2024 tax returns. Through the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, qualified taxpayers can receive professional-grade tax preparation services completely free of charge.

FREE TAX HELP

FROM GCSU ACCOUNTING STUDENTS



CALL 478-388-1956 OR VISIT UNITEDWAYCG.ORG/VITA

 WHITNEY BUNTING
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY
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This valuable service helps individuals and families save hundreds of dollars in tax preparation fees while ensuring they receive all eligible credits and deductions. The program has doubled its team of IRS-certified tax preparers this year, allowing more community members to benefit from this free service. Tax preparation assistance is available to individuals and families who meet income qualifications, seniors, persons with disabilities and those with limited English proficiency.

To schedule your free tax preparation appointment or learn more about qualification requirements, visit the [scheduling website](#). Don't miss this opportunity to have your taxes prepared professionally at no cost to you!

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Call for nominations: Eve Puckett Giving Tree Award

Community Engagement and Belonging, Office of : Thursday February 13, 2025

The Eve Puckett Giving Tree Award is given by the Office of Community Engagement and Service to a student who has left a lasting legacy of service at the university. Each recipient plants a tree on campus as an act of giving back to the community.



To nominate an outstanding Georgia College & State University student, please complete the nomination form found here: [Nominate a student form.](#)

Nominations are due Monday, Feb. 24, 2025.

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Biscuits & Brew with the Alumni Crew

Alumni : Thursday February 13, 2025

On Wednesday, February 19, kickstart your day with tasty biscuits* and brew at 9 a.m. in the library atrium while fellowshipping with the alumni crew in celebration of Homecoming and Alumni Weekend. Meet and mingle with other faculty and staff who also happen to be alumni.

Faculty and staff who are not alumni are also invited to come pick up their exclusive Homecoming t-shirt!

*While supplies last.

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Senior Exit Exam Registration Deadline

Center for Testing : Thursday February 13, 2025

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If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the Center for Testing at 478-445-5016 or gctesting@gcsu.edu.

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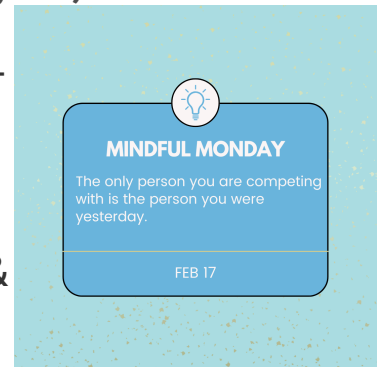
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Mindful Monday for Feb. 17

Student Health and Wellbeing, Office of : Friday February 14, 2025

The Mindful Monday for Feb. 17 is an affirmation for self-acceptance and growth: "The only person you are competing with is the person you were yesterday."

Mindful Monday is a Year 1 initiative of Georgia College & State University's QEP, Bobcats FIRST. Here's what you can do to be part of this initiative:



- Follow @gcsu_bobcatsfirst on Instagram or download the attached image.
- Share the Mindful Monday post to your departmental and/or personal social media account.
- Reference the Mindful Monday in class, and ask students to reflect silently or aloud.
- Share in other creative ways to promote mindfulness, positivity and belonging.

To receive the Mindful Monday posts on Fridays directly to your e-mail, join the distribution list by clicking [here](#).

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Congrats to the December 2024 I Caught You Caring recipients

Staff Council : Friday February 14, 2025

Congratulations to the December 2024 recipients of I Caught You Caring: Blair Simpson and Keith Bergeron! They recently were caught caring at the Hanging of the Greens with showing so much pride and patience in their work. Not just here, but they continuously go above and beyond making the magic happen on our campus and working nonstop. Staff members go above and beyond every day for Georgia College & State University!



Do you want to nominate a staff member for I Caught You Caring? It's easy. Simply visit our [online form](#) to submit.

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Guest Artist Concert: Claire Salli, saxophone- "The Stylistic Saxophone"

Music, Department of : Friday February 14, 2025

Thursday, Feb. 20 Georgia College & State University welcomes saxophonist Dr. Claire Salli for a Guest Artist Recital, "The Stylistic Saxophone," at 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall. Each piece on the program has its own unique style, each different from the rest, creating a fun program that is accessible for all audiences. The program starts off with a neo classical French piece, "Improvisation et Caprice" by Eugene Bozza. Two short etudes composed by Argentine composer Astor Piazzolla, who is known for creating a new style of tango music, will be performed. Then the recital pays homage to a genre that has made the saxophone a worldwide phenomenon, jazz, with a piece by Dutch composer Jacob TV, "Billie," named after American jazz singer Billie Holiday. The final piece, a duet with GCSU's Dr. Andrew Allen, titled "Stubborn as Hell," by American composer Stacy Garrop, is a contemporary piece that is essentially a fight between both players over who has the dominant voice. This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A \$5 donation is encouraged. Online donations can be made at give.gcsu.edu/g/departments-of-music/. 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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Spring Voice Honors Recital

Music, Department of : Monday February 17, 2025

Friday, Feb. 21 Georgia College & State University's "Spring Voice Honors Recital," featuring 9 music students, will be at 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall. Faculty pianists Dr. Hue Jang, Dr. Owen Lovell, and Dr. Lev Ryabinin will accompany vocal students: Rori Blackwell, Gabi Van Patten, Kaylah Sherow, Riley Greer, Joey Johnson, Ian Purdy, Meghan Bennett, Ori young, and Lucy Bell. This concert will also be livestreamed at www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A \$5 donation is encouraged. To donate online, use <https://give.gcsu.edu/g/departments-of-music/> 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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Collins and Morrow named Emerging Leaders

Leadership Programs : Monday February 17, 2025

Morgan Collins and Mia Morrow have been named the 2025 Emerging Leaders of the Year by the Georgia College Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society.



Morgan Collins is a member of the class of 2027 and is studying chemistry and environmental science. He serves as a laboratory assistant for the Georgia College & State University Department of Chemistry, Physics and Astronomy.

Mia Morrow is a member of the class of 2027, studying business management and HR. She serves as a student ambassador and tour guide for Georgia College & State University, as well as working at the front desk of the Learning Center.

Collins and Morrow received their awards at the Circle's annual Induction Convocation and Lecture Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2025.

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"Some Interesting Numbers Around Us" - Mini Math Talk - Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 5 p.m.

Chemistry, Physics, & Mathematics, Department of : Monday February 17, 2025

Please join the Department of Mathematics for a Mini Math Talk, "Some Interesting Numbers Around Us" given by Dr. Guy Biyogmam on Wednesday, Feb. 19, 5 - 5:30 p.m. in A&S 138. Mini math talks are 20-30 minute presentations about any topic related to math. No math background is required, and all are welcome! Snacks will be provided.

Here is the abstract of the presentation:

Numbers are probably the most important tools of our daily lives. Though one may not tell which ones are the most important, it is clear to most mathematicians that some of them are more "interesting than others," due to their history, how they link to various amazing mathematical facts or their mysterious connection with nature. In this talk, we will review some of these numbers, with a particular attention to one of the most interesting classes of numbers: The Fibonacci numbers. This talk will be accessible to all undergraduate students.

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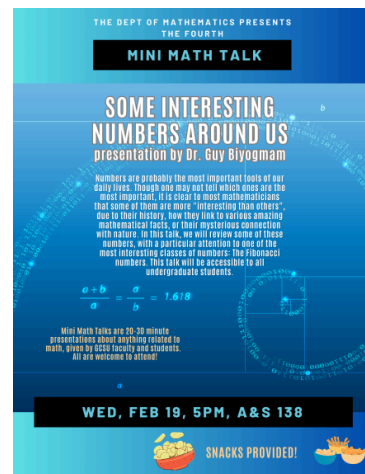
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Publishing panel with industry experts

College of Arts & Sciences : Monday February 17, 2025

Do you want to learn how to query an agent, find out what editors look for in manuscripts, give your work a real shot at rising from the slush pile or get your short story or essay in front of readers?

Join our Zoom panel featuring three industry experts — a book editor/publisher, an agent and a magazine editor/writer.

Good things come in threes!

Kate Johnson/ WOLF LITERARY SERVICES: <https://wolflit.com/kate-johnson>

Michelle Dotter: <https://www.dzancbooks.org/our-team>

David Wanczyk: <https://www.davidwanczyk.com>

Date: Feb. 20, 2025

Time: 7-8.30 p.m.

Venue ([Zoom Link](#))

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Times Talk Wednesday, Feb. 19, noon-12:50 p.m. in room 241, Russell Library with Dr. Nathan Bedsole on "Do we encounter the sacred in the mundane and the everyday? Can we learn to?"

American Democracy Project : Monday February 17, 2025

Please join us Wednesday, Feb. 19, in Russell Library, room 241 from 12 until 12:50 p.m. for this week's Times Talk facilitated by Dr. Nathan Bedsole, assistant professor of Communication on "Do we encounter the sacred in the mundane and the everyday? Can we learn to?"



The following article will be referred to during the discussion if you'd like to listen to it ahead of time:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2024/12/24/opinion/david-brooks-journey-faith.html?smid=url-share>.

Next week's Times Talk Feb. 26 will be with Georgia College & State University Mass Comm major Amy Bishop facilitating "Disconnect to Reconnect: The Power of Living Beyond Social Media:"

https://www.nytimes.com/2025/01/30/style/luddite-teens-reunion.html?unlocked_article_code=1.wE4.ggNw.3anW4aQG9jxl&smid=url-share.

Times Talk at Georgia College is celebrating 19 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly facilitated campus-wide conversation 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. There will be free pizza while it lasts!

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The Future of Coral Reefs: It's not what you think

Presentation by James Porter, Ph.D.

Biology & Environmental Sciences, Department of : Monday February 17, 2025

Dr. James Porter is an award-winning professor emeritus of Ecology at the University of Georgia. He was the scientific advisor of the award-winning film "Chasing Coral." He has testified before Congress three times about the effects of climate change on coral reefs, munitions contamination on Puerto Rican coral reefs and the global biodiversity crisis. His work has been featured on ABC World News, NBC Nightly News and CNN.

His talk will take place March 3 from 4 until 5 p.m. in Peabody Auditorium.

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Parking advisory – Centennial Center

Parking & Transportation : Monday February 17, 2025

Beginning Wednesday, Feb. 19, the first two sections of the Centennial Center parking lot will be closed for a homecoming event. All vehicles should be removed from the area by noon on Wednesday.



View the [interactive parking map](#) to locate alternative parking lots.

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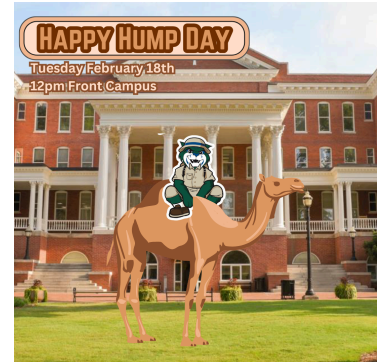
Student Engagement, Office of : Monday February 17, 2025

To continue Thunder's Safari Adventure, join us on Front Campus to take pictures with camels on Tuesday from 12 until 2 p.m. That's right. There will be camels in Milledgeville!

If you are one of the first 500 students, you'll also receive a Homecoming tee-shirt. There will also be snacks, drinks and other goodies to collect.

Don't miss this event for your chance to take a picture with camels on campus.

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Drop-in Days: Feb. 17 and 18 - No appointment needed

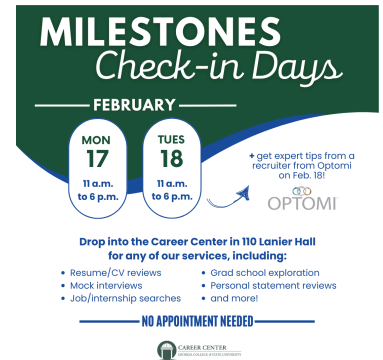
Career Center : Monday February 17, 2025

Do you need help with job applications, grad school documents or career advice? Stop by the Career Center in Lanier Hall 110 for drop-in appointments on Feb. 17 and 18 from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Our team is ready to meet with you—no appointment needed.

Plus, don't miss an exclusive opportunity to get resume, interview and career tips from an [Optomi](#) recruiter on Feb. 18 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Have questions? Contact the Career Center at (478) 445-5384 or career.center@gcsu.edu.

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Visiting Writers Series: Matthew Salyer

College of Arts & Sciences : Monday February 17, 2025

Matthew Carey Salyer is most recently the author of *Probation* (Pen & Anvil, 2024), finalist for the Michael Waters Poetry Prize, and the forthcoming pamphlet, *inis* (Wallop Press, 2025). His previous work includes the poetry collection, *Ravage & Snare*, and a chapbook, *Lambkin*. His poems and essays have appeared in *The Massachusetts Review*, *The Florida Review*, *The New Orleans Review*, *Southword*, *Narrative*, *Beloit Poetry Journal*, *Hunger Mountain*, *The Common*, *The Scores*, *Forbes*, *The Chronicle Review*, and numerous others. He has taught writing, literature, and cultural geography courses at several universities, and his scholarship focuses on forms of empire and intercultural brokerage. Most recently he appeared with the New York City Players in Richard Maxwell's *Buildings I&II*. He can be found at matthewcareysalyer.com.

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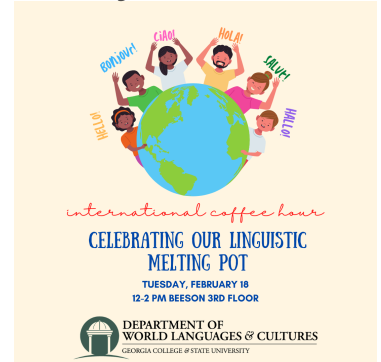
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International Coffee Hour: Celebrating our linguistic melting pot

World Languages & Cultures, Department of : Monday February 17, 2025

International Coffee Hour makes its return this coming Tuesday, Feb. 18. Drop in between 12 and 2 p.m. on the third floor of Beeson Hall to enjoy snacks and drinks from Blackbird Coffee, conversation and word puzzles exploring the numerous expressions from French, German, Italian and Spanish that are commonly used in English.



See you there!

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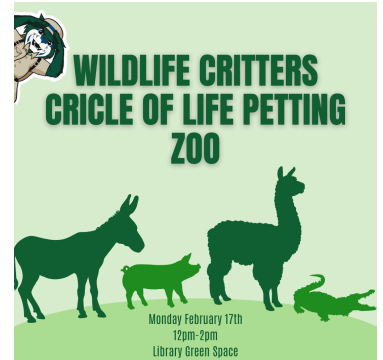
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HOCO: Wildlife Critters Circle of Life Petting Zoo

Student Engagement, Office of : Monday February 17, 2025

To kick off Thunder's Safari Adventure, Wildlife Critters: Circle of Life Petting Zoo will be at the Library Green Space from 12 until 2 p.m. Come out to see large and small farm, exotic and reptile animals. There will even be donkeys, alpacas and goats! You don't want to miss the first stop on Thunder's Safari Adventure.



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Office of Legal Affairs: Out-of-office notice

Legal Affairs : Monday February 17, 2025

The Office of Legal Affairs will be closed from Wednesday, Feb. 19, through Monday, Feb. 24, 2025. If you need any agreements/contracts/invoices reviewed or signed immediately, please expedite them so they can be addressed on or before mid-day Tuesday, Feb. 18.



You may also reach out to the Michael [Baker \(478-445-2027\)](tel:478-445-2027) or Rhonda Fowler [\(478-445-3327\)](tel:478-445-3327) if you need to speak to someone before we return Feb. 25.

Thank you.

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Disney College Program Info Session - Feb. 19

Career Center : Monday February 17, 2025

The Disney College Program Fall 2025 Applications are now open!

Ready to make your Disney dreams come true? Join us for an exciting info session where we'll dive into the Disney College Program, the application process and everything you need to know to get started. Plus, don't miss out on our fun Disney trivia with prizes!

When: Feb. 19 at 1 p.m.

Where: Lanier Hall 140

Interested in learning more before you stop by?

- [Click here for more information about the Disney College Program.](#)
- [Click here for more information about Disney College Program roles.](#)

If you have any questions, please email our DCP Coordinator at daniella.pittman@gcsu.edu.

See you there for all things Disney!

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College of Arts & Sciences : Monday February 17, 2025

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Come, see him Feb. 24, 2025, in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room. There will be a Q&A 5 - 5:45 p.m. After that, he will speak from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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Announcements Posted Tuesday February 18, 2025

Associate Dean Candidate Presentation and Open Forum

College of Education : Tuesday February 18, 2025

Georgia College & State University faculty and staff are invited to attend the presentation and open forum of Dr. Karis Clarke, a candidate for College of Education's Associate Dean, Thursday, Feb. 20, at 2 p.m. The presentation will be held in the Kilpatrick Conference Room.

Clarke will speak for 45 minutes on "Aligning accreditation and standards with evolving best practices: How can the College of Education meet both accreditation requirements and internal quality benchmarks while responding to emerging trends in education?" Following the presentation, the candidate will respond to questions from the audience.

Please click [HERE](#) to submit a candidate feedback form. All forms must be completed and submitted by 12 p.m. Feb. 24, for the Search Committee to compile and review.

The resume for Dr. Karis Clarke will be provided upon request.

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Wilson tabbed PBC Pitcher of the Week

Athletics : Tuesday February 18, 2025

AUGUSTA, Ga. | Georgia College & State University baseball player [Bradley Wilson](#) has been named the Pitcher of the Week by the Peach Belt Conference.



It is the second consecutive week that a Bobcat hurler has been named the league's Pitcher of the Week.

The senior right-handed pitcher from Irwinton, Georgia, pitched seven shutout innings in the series finale Saturday (Feb. 15) afternoon against Lynn University. Wilson did not get a decision in the game, but allowed only two hits and two walks while striking out six. He set down the side in order three times and retired nine batters in a row at one point. Wilson only allowed one Lynn baserunner to make it to second base. Wilson leads the team in strikeouts (12) and is second in innings pitched (15.1).

The 13th-ranked Bobcats return to action Tuesday (Feb. 18) with a 2 p.m. contest in Due West, South Carolina, against Erskine College.

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Announcement of search for Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences and Dean of the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business & Technology

Provost & Academic Affairs, Office of the : Tuesday February 18, 2025

Announcement of search for Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences and Dean of the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business & Technology

In collaboration with the executive search firm, Buffkin/Baker, Georgia College & State University is launching searches for two essential leaders on our campus: [Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences](#) and [Dean of the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business & Technology](#).

The following individuals will serve as members of the Search Committee for Dean of the [College of Arts & Sciences](#):

Search Committee Chair: [Dr. Kevin Bucholtz](#), associate provost for Student Engagement and Academic Excellence

- Matthew Forrest, interim chair, Department of Art
- Dr. Katie Simon, associate professor of English, interim director of the Flannery O'Connor Institute
- Dr. Al Mead, professor of Biology and Graduate coordinator
- Dr. Diana Young, associate professor of Psychology
- Dr. Libby Murphy, chair, World Languages and Cultures
- Darla Pike, COAS Advancement officer
- Steve Skalko – chair, COAS Leadership Board
- Dr. Carrie Cook, professor of Criminal Justice
- Dr. Jennifer Goldsberry, interim director, School of Nursing and associate professor of Nursing

To submit a confidential nomination, please send the name, title and institution of the prospect to GeorgiaCollegeDeanCOAS@buffkinbaker.com. Questions about the search process should be directed to [Dr. Kevin Bucholtz](#) as Search Committee chair.

The following individuals will serve as members of the Search Committee for Dean for the [J. Whitney Bunting College of Business & Technology](#):

Search Committee Chair: [Dr. Mandy Jarriel](#), interim associate provost for Academic Affairs and director of The Graduate School

- Dr. Jeannie Pridmore, chair of Information Systems and Computer Science
- Dr. Chris Clark, professor of Economics, Interim Associate Dean
- Dr. Mary Rickard, associate professor of Marketing
- Seth Walker, vice president of University Advancement
- Angela Criscoe, executive director of the School of Continuing and Professional Studies
- Jonathan Pope, COBT Leadership Board member
- Susan Whittle, administrative assistant, Department of Accounting & Business Law
- Dr. Nicholas Creel, associate professor of Business Law, presiding officer of University Senate, and co-director of the Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- Dr. Scott Manley, chair of Department of Management, Marketing and Logistics

To submit a confidential nomination, please send the name, title and institution of the prospect to GeorgiaCollegeDeanCOBT@buffkinbaker.com. Questions about the search process should be directed to [Dr. Mandy Jarriel](#) as Search Committee chair.

Anticipated Search Timeline

February 2025

Listening sessions

Search Committee charge

Finalize and post advertisement

Mid-February – Mid March 2025

Active sourcing and recruitment of prospective candidates

Mid-March 2025

Committee will review candidates

Week of March 31, 2025

Review meetings to select candidates for first round interviews

Week of April 7, 2025

Virtual interviews with candidates

April 17, 18 and 21-25

On-campus interviews for finalists

Late April/Early May 2025

Announcement of both Deans for a start date of July 1, 2025

Thank you for sharing this information within your campus units and among your academic network to further our efforts to fill these pivotal roles.

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OIB Hosts 'What's the Chew!' for Faculty and Staff

: Tuesday February 18, 2025

The Office of Inclusion & Belonging cordially invites GCSU faculty and staff to “What’s the Chew!” Stop by the H.U.B. (also known as Blackbridge Hall) on Monday, March 17, anytime between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. for some morning treats like bagels, donuts and coffee. Plus, we would love to hear your input and ideas as to how we can provide opportunities for faculty and staff to engage with the H.U.B., build a more welcoming and inclusive community, and make connections at Georgia College and the broader Milledgeville community.

[Please RSVP by March 7](#) if you are interested in attending.

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HOCO: Silent Disco

Student Engagement, Office of : Tuesday February 18, 2025

Silent Disco is a unique way of experiencing music. Guests wear wireless headphones, and a silent atmosphere instantly transforms into a high-energy musical performance. Enjoy the work of a DJ or make requests for your favorite tracks, the choice is yours. Tune in to up to three channels and different types of music and create the party you would love.



The fun takes place Feb. 18 from 7 until 9 p.m. in the Magnolia Ballroom.

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Faculty AI use at GCSU

English, Department of : Tuesday February 18, 2025

Please consider spending a few minutes to complete this survey about AI use at Georgia College & State University.

Given the increased concern with the use of Generative AI in the university, with this survey, I will investigate how faculty are using AI for their teaching and scholarly activities. Only with a better appreciation for the prevalence of artificial intelligence use can we fully understand the likelihood of pitfalls. Furthermore, faculty use of AI will give insight into how they are addressing AI in their classrooms and to what degree they are teaching students ethical use.

https://gcsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0pKWNDJp3luR1Q

Please contact Emily Pucker at emily.pucker@gcsu.edu with any questions. Thank you very much for your time.

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Student Success and Retention Series: Navigating Campus Resources

Enrollment Management : Tuesday February 18, 2025

This drop-in event will provide faculty and staff with the opportunity to learn about various on-campus student support services. Departments will share information about their offerings, highlight key initiatives, and discuss opportunities for collaboration. Please RSVP using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/R0iZpSQ5aW>

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Announcements Posted Wednesday February 19, 2025

Feast for Thought: An Exploration of Food, Society and the Environment by Engaging the Public Liberal Arts featuring Dr. Trae Welborn

Rural Studies Institute : Wednesday February 19, 2025

The Rural Studies Institute is pleased to invite you to our 2025 virtual noon-day discussion series, "Feast for Thought: An Exploration of Food, Society and the Environment by Engaging the Public Liberal Arts." Join us for an engaging interdisciplinary discussion with Georgia College & State University experts as we explore the intricate relationships between food systems, cultural practices and our planet. Whether you're passionate about cultural history and food, sustainability and environmental issues, food culture or society's impact on them, this series will provide a thought-provoking look at how our food choices shape the world around us.

Our featured speaker for March 7, 2025, will be Dr. Trae Welborn, associate professor of History at Georgia College. Welborn will provide expertise in Southern Foodways, regional culture and historical influences of food, society and the environment. Additional information about his work is below.

The goal of this unique series is to foster a vibrant dialogue that highlights our faculty, their expertise and the role of the public liberal arts in exploring agrarian traditions and informing public understanding. We hope to inspire new ideas and collaborative efforts that honor the extensive agrarian and rural traditions of the public liberal arts.

For more information, please see the attached promotional flyer.

To register for the March 7, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. event, featuring Dr. Trae Welborn, please use the link below.

<https://forms.gle/VZoB6c3mKSTezHBj9>

Dr. James "Trae" Welborn, associate professor of History at Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville, Georgia, specializes in American cultural history during the Civil War Era (1820-1880) and the long Nineteenth Century (1780-1920). He is the author of [Dueling Cultures, Damnable Legacies: Southern Violence and White Supremacy in the Civil War Era \(UVA Press, 2023\)](#) and [Playing at War: Identity and Memory in Civil War Video Games \(LSU Press, 2024\)](#). His research and teaching focus on the emotional dimensions of evolving conceptions of virtue and vice, especially the role of violence in shaping these cultural values, as well as topics related to Civil War memory and Southern Foodways. He is co-director of the Global Foodways Studies program at Georgia College and co-director of the historical research and education website www.georgiabbqtrails.com.

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Department of Art Alumni Exhibition

Art, Department of : Wednesday February 19, 2025

An exhibition of artwork by Georgia College Art Alumni on display in Leland Gallery in Ennis Hall. A reception with the artists will be held March 5 from 5 - 7 p.m.



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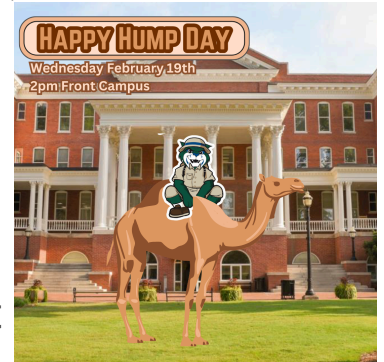
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HOCO Happy Hump Day

Student Engagement, Office of : Wednesday February 19, 2025

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\$150K Community Coalition Grants Initiative open for applications

Deal Center : Wednesday February 19, 2025

Awarding up to \$150,000, applications for our Community Coalition Grants are now open! 🌟 If you're passionate about advancing early language and literacy in Georgia, this is your opportunity. [Apply today on the Deal Center website](#). Applications are due by midnight, March 21.

The purpose of this grant is to improve the early language and literacy skills of Georgia's children by supporting community coalitions aiming to bolster children's early brain development. The Deal Center will invest in collaborative projects between two or more organizations that use the pillars of the Get Georgia Reading Campaign to advance developmentally responsive practices throughout their community.

- The Deal Center will fund projects designed to create conditions that foster educational, social, language, literacy, and/or cognitive development for Georgia's children from birth through age five. Projects should aim to make a lasting impact on children's early childhood education and development.

Not-for-profit organizations, advocacy groups, civic and community organizations, and other initiatives focused on supporting early childhood development are eligible to apply. If your project aligns with our mission of enhancing early literacy and cognitive growth for Georgia's children, we encourage you to submit your application.

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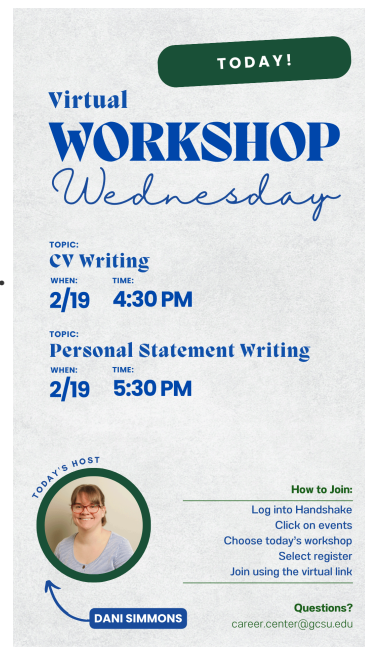
CV and Personal Statement Writing Workshops - Feb. 19

Career Center : Wednesday February 19, 2025

Join the Career Center Feb. 19, for our virtual Workshop Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. Learn the basics of writing a CV and how to tailor it to your graduate school goals. Then, at 5:30 p.m., get help crafting a standout personal statement personalized for your desired graduate school. Don't miss out on these essential tips to strengthen your graduate school application.

[Register for the CV Writing Workshop here.](#)

[Register for the Personal Statement Writing Workshop here.](#)



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This Week: Beginning of Greek Week Glass Recycling!

Sustainability, Office of : Wednesday February 19, 2025

- Georgia College & State University's Fraternity & Sorority Life (FSL) organizations are coming together once again to support sustainability efforts on campus with their annual Greek Week glass recycling drive. The event, hosted in partnership with the Office of Sustainability, will kick off on Friday, Feb. 21, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., providing an opportunity for students to contribute to a greener campus. The organization with the most glass will receive points towards Greek Week!
- The initiative encourages members of the Greek community to donate glass for recycling, helping to reduce waste and promote environmental awareness. In addition to the kickoff event, three additional glass drop-off opportunities will be available on March 28, April 7 and April 9, ensuring that organizations have multiple chances to participate. Please contact your FSL organization for more information.

Check out our interactive campus recycling location map to recycle today. Link to Interactive Map: <https://map.concept3d.com/?id=941#!ce/35648?ct/53605?s/>

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2025 Executive Forum - From Blight to Bright: A Blueprint for Community Rejuvenation in Central Georgia"Mike Ciabattoni, Managing Partner, CW Holdings LLC

College of Business & Technology : Thursday February 20, 2025

The 2025 [Executive Forum](#) is a quarterly program that brings together a select group of 50 influential business leaders from the Milledgeville-Baldwin community, creating a unique opportunity to connect, collaborate and learn from accomplished professionals. Each forum offers a dynamic evening featuring a networking hour with beer and wine, a delightful dinner and an inspiring presentation from leading executives.



The 2025 series kicked off with Kevin Neary, CEO of Orcawise from Ireland and was a great success. The next program will be March 3 presented by Mike Ciabattoni, Managing Partner of CW Holdings LLC.

GCSU membership options are available for individuals or departments, for one event or annually. Space is limited, so we encourage you to secure your spot by visiting [the forum website](#). For more information or assistance, please contact Nancy Finney at 478-445-1310. We invite you to share this opportunity with other leaders in your network and join us for an engaging and enriching experience.

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Barnes & Noble - Extended Weekend Hours and 10% Discounts

Barnes & Noble at Georgia College : Thursday February 20, 2025

Barnes & Noble at GCSU will have a weekend Homecoming discount of 10% on all purchases with the code promo PRIDE25 (excludes textbooks and graduation regalia). Hours will also be extended on Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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[Barnes & Noble at Georgia College](#)

Parking Advisory – Peabody

Parking & Transportation : Thursday February 20, 2025

On Feb. 21, approximately 25 parking spaces will be closed in the Peabody Parking Lot for an event. Any vehicles left in the area will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense.



View the [interactive parking map](#) to locate alternative parking lots.

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Free Tax Services

College of Business & Technology : Thursday February 20, 2025

Georgia College & State University's Department of Accounting and Business Law is partnering with the United Way of Central Georgia to provide free tax return preparation services. These services are for qualified taxpayers in the Milledgeville area.

FREE TAX HELP

FROM GCSU ACCOUNTING STUDENTS



CALL 478-388-1956 OR VISIT [UNITEDWAYCG.ORG/VITA](https://www.unitedwaycg.org/vita)

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The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) is provided to the community by undergraduate and graduate accounting students and overseen by accounting instructors. This initiative offers the broader community a valuable service while also providing students with both real-world experience and the opportunity to give back to Milledgeville and Baldwin County.

Services are offered from Feb. 5 to Feb. 28, 5 to 7 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays in Atkinson Hall Room 110.

To register, call 478-388-1956 or visit the [VITA scheduling website](https://www.unitedwaycg.org/vita) for Central Georgia.

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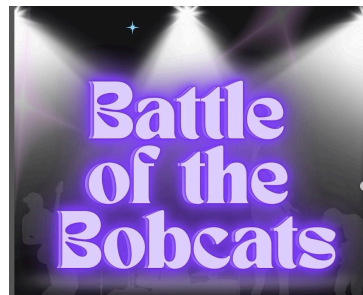
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[College of Business & Technology](https://www.gcsu.edu/cbt)

Battle of the Bobcats

Student Engagement, Office of : Thursday February 20, 2025

Join the Campus Activities Board Feb. 20 from 6 until 9 p.m. in Russell Auditorium for this annual musical event. Student-led bands and musical artists will compete to be the ultimate best of the Bobcats. The winner will get to open for the Spring Concert.



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Announcements Posted Friday February 21, 2025

Hiring students? Limited spots remain for our free Campus & Summer Jobs Fair

Career Center : Friday February 21, 2025

We wanted to remind you that our annual Campus & Summer Jobs Fair is coming up on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Magnolia Ballroom.



If you are hiring students, this is a fantastic opportunity to connect with both new and returning students seeking part-time on-campus opportunities. Participation is free for on-campus departments, but space is limited and spots are filling up quickly. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Don't miss out – secure your spot today! The deadline to register is Wednesday, Feb. 26.

[If you have a Handshake account, you can register for the fair here.](#)

[If you do not have a Handshake account, you can register for the fair here.](#)

If you have any questions or need further information, please email Savoie Srodulski at savoie.srodulski@gcsu.edu.

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Mindful Monday for Feb. 24

Student Health and Wellbeing, Office of : Friday February 21, 2025

The Mindful Monday for Feb. 24 is a quote from the great Dolly Parton: "If you see someone without a smile, give them yours."

Mindful Monday is a Year 1 initiative of Georgia College & State University's QEP, Bobcats FIRST. Here's what you can do to be part of this initiative:



- Follow @gcsu_bobcatsfirst on Instagram or download the attached image.
- Share the Mindful Monday post to your departmental and/or personal social media account.
- Reference the Mindful Monday in class, and ask students to reflect silently or aloud.
- Share in other creative ways to promote mindfulness, positivity and belonging.

To receive the Mindful Monday posts on Fridays directly to your e-mail, join the distribution list by clicking [here](#).

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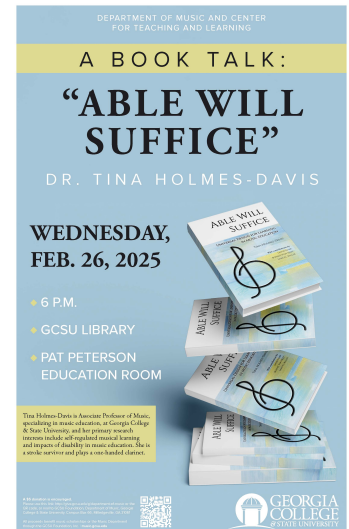
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A Book Talk: "Able Will Suffice" by Dr. Tina Holmes-Davis

Music, Department of : Friday February 21, 2025

On Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6 p.m. in the Pat Peterson Education Room, the GCSU Music Department and the Center for Teaching and Learning present "A Book Talk" featuring the newly published book by Dr. Tina Holmes-Davis, "Able Will Suffice." Dr. Holmes-Davis is an associate professor of Music, specializing in music education at Georgia College & State University, and her primary research interests include self-regulated musical learning and impacts of disability in music education. She is a stroke survivor and plays a one-handed clarinet. Please join us for this event.



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NOW OPEN: Small-Group Instructional Diagnosis (SGID) Requests

Center for Teaching & Learning : Friday February 21, 2025

The SGID's goal is to provide faculty with important feedback that helps them adjust their teaching and improve student learning outcomes. It also allows faculty to reflect on and document critical teaching behaviors. This process, vetted in research, supports the continuous quality improvement of teaching and learning and shows our continued commitment to creating innovative learning environments, high-impact pedagogies, and meaningful student-faculty interaction at Georgia College. After completion, the requestor will receive a letter from the Center for Teaching and Learning certifying participation; however, the results are confidential. For Spring 2025, the SGID opens on Feb. 24 through March 7.

Please submit your requests at least seven (7) days before the first date you want the observer to come to your class. If you are interested in scheduling an SGID for the Fall 2025 semester, please submit a completed form found at

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/68e2c53560104596a575bcef79a62770>.

You can also contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at ctl@gcsu.edu or by phone at 478-445-2520 for more details about the process, scheduling, or general inquiries.

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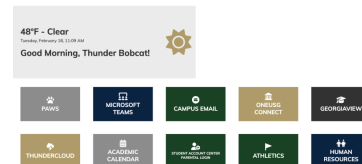
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Customize your Service Apps in MyGCSU

University Communications : Friday February 21, 2025

Having trouble locating your favorite service app in MyGCSU? Tired of having to search for service apps? Customize your service apps today.



All users (faculty, staff and students) have the ability to select their own set of apps to appear as colored tiles once they have logged into MyGCSU. If you only use 3 or 4 apps, you can have those always available at your fingertips. There are many apps you can choose to have on your homepage such as Degreeworks, Banner, GeorgiaVIEW, OneUSG, Peoplesoft, Paw Printing, Campus Email, GC Signatures and more.

To get started, simply start selecting your apps in the Personal Settings section in MyGCSU.

If you need help locating Personal Settings, Web Communications and Information Technology have created a Personal Settings Tutorial to help get you started. [You can find the online tutorial here.](#)

Have any questions? Please email webcomms@gcsu.edu.

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Announcements Posted Monday February 24, 2025

Bennett Thrasher Tabling Feb. 25

Career Center : Monday February 24, 2025

Bennett Thrasher will table in the Atkinson Lounge Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. to advertise its available internship and full-time opportunities for accounting students.

Bennett Thrasher is an accounting firm that offers growth-oriented businesses and high net worth individuals financial, advisory and family office services through a collaborative approach and a diverse team of professionals. They are the eighth largest accounting firm in Atlanta and have an amazing internship program for college students. Stop by their table to learn more.

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Announcements Posted Tuesday February 25, 2025

Board Games in the LRC

World Languages & Cultures, Department of : Tuesday February 25, 2025

Drop-In Board Games in the LRC makes its return for the spring semester! Come by Wednesday between 1 and 4:30 p.m. to enjoy your choice of games in French, German, Italian or Spanish. Bring a classmate or friend to have a guaranteed partner/opponent and have some fun with the language!



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Now Hiring Research Associate Position at the Deal Center

Deal Center : Tuesday February 25, 2025

Applications are open for a Research Associate position at the Deal Center. The Research Associate will be responsible for designing and conducting project evaluations; managing, collecting and analyzing educational data; and providing technical support to our Executive Team through managing contracts and communications with external researchers. Educational and experiential requirements include:

- Master's degree, or 10 or more years in social science, education or related field, with an emphasis on mixed-methods research and evaluation methods or comparable experience
- Minimum of three (3) years of related professional experience
- Effective written and oral communication skills, organizational skills, interpersonal skills, teamwork and professionalism

We look forward to reviewing your application and learning how you plan to help our team move Georgia's children toward the path of language and literacy! [Apply online, and read more about the position and its requirements.](#)

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Times Talk this Wednesday, Feb. 26, from 12 to 12:50 pm in 241 Russell Library with MSCM major Amy Bishop and Associate Professor Angela Criscoe on "Disconnect to Reconnect: The Power of Living Beyond Social Media"

American Democracy Project : Tuesday February 25, 2025

Please join us this Wednesday, Feb. 26, in Russell Library room 241 from 12 to 12:50 pm for this week's Times Talk facilitated by sophomore MSCM major Amy Bishop and Associate Professor of Communication and Exec. Director of the School of Continuing and Professional Studies Angela Criscoe on "Disconnect to Reconnect: The Power of Living Beyond Social Media."



The following articles may be referred to during the discussion:

Luddite teens don't want your likes

https://www.nytimes.com/2022/12/15/style/teens-social-media.html?unlocked_article_code=1.x04.3W2K.HfleWn2f00gG&smid=url-share

Now in college, luddite teens still don't want your likes

https://www.nytimes.com/2025/01/30/style/luddite-teens-reunion.html?unlocked_article_code=1.wE4.ggNw.3anW4aQG9jxl&smid=url-share

Next week's Times Talk: Wednesday, March 5, with Helen DuPree, lecturer Public Health, and Chloe Melton, History and Philosophy student, on "Rethinking BMI: History, Health, and the Future of Weight and Well-Being" Article Link: <https://www.nytimes.com/2025/01/14/health/bmi-obesity-definition.html>

Times Talk at Georgia College is celebrating 19 continuous years as the first in the nation college weekly facilitated campus-wide conversation 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 while it lasts!

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GCSU to Centralize Graduate Enrollment Efforts

University Communications : Tuesday February 25, 2025

 Graduate Team

Looking ahead, growing enrollment within the university's graduate programs remains one of the institution's primary goals for 2025 and beyond. To support that mission, all graduate enrollment operations will be centralized beginning March 15.

"Combining the resources and expertise of our graduate and undergraduate admission processes will provide the pathways we need to grow our graduate student enrollment," said GCSU President Cathy Cox. "Directing all enrollment strategy through one unified vision will help us maximize the reach of the 32 different graduate programs we offer and take [The Graduate School](#) to the next level."

GCSU's new graduate enrollment team will be led by Shanda Brand, who will serve as the interim director of Graduate Admissions & Enrollment Management. Formerly the College of Education's director of Graduate Programs, Brand has had great success in recent years with the College of Education, where she maintained the largest graduate enrollment at Georgia College. There, she also streamlined the admissions process, expanded access to broader student audiences and developed/implemented the Graduate Student Orientation Program. She's now primed to bring that same enthusiasm and focus to the university as a whole.

Parris Story, assistant director of The Graduate School, will provide oversight to a comprehensive range of academic functions, including serving on university committees, supporting retention efforts for graduate students, overseeing hiring of graduate assistants and representing The Graduate School in research initiatives.

The graduate enrollment team is also growing.

From a group of three, the team is currently up to five employees — including Caitlin Vinson, Cassie Napier and Stephanie McDade, in addition to Brand and Story — following strategic reclassifications of existing roles. Three

additional staff members will also be added through newly created positions soon.

The team will operate out of the first floor of Parks Hall and work under the leadership of Senior Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management Joel Robinson, who played a pivotal role in helping to increase freshman applications more than 44% since 2022. Robinson and his team will offer invaluable support and guidance during the upcoming transition.

“Our faculty strive to provide graduate learners with the same personalized learning experience that students find here on campus, and this transition will help expand those options in a significant way,” said Dr. Holley Roberts, interim provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. “By leveraging the expertise and success of our undergraduate enrollment management professionals, the focused and centralized Graduate School recruitment and enrollment efforts are intentional in moving us towards the strategic goal of growing graduate enrollment.”

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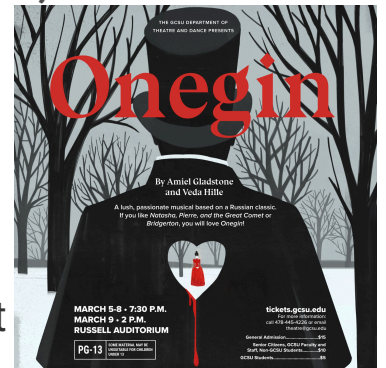
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Announcements Posted Wednesday February 26, 2025

"Onegin" Presented by the Department of Theatre & Dance

Theatre & Dance, Department of : Wednesday February 26, 2025

Onegin is a lush, passionate and acclaimed musical about trying not to fall in love. Life is quiet on the Larin family's Russian country estate, until the charismatic Evgeni Onegin - a dashing but jaded aristocrat from St. Petersburg - inherits his uncle's estate in the country. His arrival ignites the romantic longings of its residents. Poet Vladimir Lensky dances with jealousy when his dear friend flirts with his fiancée. Even the reclusive young Tatyana falls hopelessly under the spell of the aloof Onegin and professes her love for the handsome rogue. But will Onegin embrace real love or simply skim its surface?



For tickets: tickets.gcsu.edu

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Songwriters of GCSU II

Music, Department of : Wednesday February 26, 2025

Tuesday, March 4 Georgia College & State University students will perform their original music for "Songwriters of GCSU II" at 7:30 p.m. in Max Noah Recital Hall at Georgia College & State University. Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music Therapy or Master of Music Therapy programs will present their compositions in classical traditions to modern and folk styles. This concert will also be livestreamed at

www.facebook.com/GCMusicDepartment. A \$5 donation

is encouraged. Online donations can be made

at <https://give.gcsu.edu/g/department-of-music/> All proceeds benefit music scholarships or the [GCSU Department of Music](https://www.gcsu.edu/department-of-music) through GCSU Foundation, Inc. For more information, please email music@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-8289.



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[Songwriters II Program 3.4. 2025 \(1\).pdf](#)

[Program Notes and Texts for GCSU Songwriters II.pdf](#)

GCSU Leadership Programs to host Federal Judge

Leadership Programs : Wednesday February 26, 2025

On Monday, March, at 5 p.m., Georgia College & State University Leadership Programs will host the Hon. Steve C. Jones, Senior United States District Court Judge. The event will mark the first in the Usery Forum on Leadership series for 2025.



Monday, March 3, 2025

Steve C. Jones is a Senior United States District Court Judge, appointed by former President Barack Obama in 2011. In this role, he presides over cases that involve the United States government, the United States Constitution, federal laws, controversies between citizens of different states and other matters. Jones holds a bachelor's degree in management and juris doctor degree, both from the University of Georgia.

"We are deeply honored to welcome Judge Jones to Georgia College," said Dr. Harold Mock, director of leadership programs. "He has spent decades in public service and in service to others. I know our students will benefit from his wisdom and insights."

Prior to his nomination to the district court, Jones served as a superior court judge in Athens-Clarke and Oconee counties for 16 years. In this role, he presided over civil and criminal cases, as well as substance abuse treatment program. Judge Jones served as an Athens-Clarke County Municipal Court Judge (1992–1995), Assistant District Attorney for the Western Judicial Circuit (1987–1991), and Director of the Athens Child Support Recovery Unit (1978–1985).

Jones has offered his time and leadership to numerous academic, community, legal and social organizations. He is a managing trustee and secretary for the University of Georgia Foundation and a member of the University of Georgia Athletic Association Board. He is also a past president of the UGA Alumni Association and the UGA Chapter of the National Football

Foundation & College Football Hall of Fame. He is a former chair of the University of Georgia School of Law's Board of Visitors.

Jones has won many awards for his judicial and community service, including the UGA School of Law's Distinguished Service Scroll Award, the University of Georgia's Fulfilling the Dream Award and the Blue Key Service Award. In 2007, he received the Volunteer of the Year Award, presented by the Junior League of Athens and Athens First Bank & Trust, and he was named Omega Citizen of the Year by the Zeta Beta Beta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. Other awards and honors include: Leadership Georgia's E. Dale Threadgill Community Service Award, the Chief Justice Robert Benham Award for Community Service, the Gate City Bar Association's Outstanding Jurist Award, the Association of Legal Professionals' Legal Professional of the Year Award and the State Bar/Young Lawyers Division Judicial Service Award.

The forum will be hosted by Georgia College Leadership Programs.

The event is free and open to the public and will be held in the Magnolia Ballroom in Milledgeville. To learn more, visit the [event webpage](#).

The Usery Forum on Leadership honors the legacy of U.S. Secretary of Labor W.J. Usery Jr., exploring leadership that brings people together in service to the public good. The series is supported by a generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Melvin and Eleyce Usery.

About Georgia College Leadership Programs

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, please visit www.gcsu.edu/leadership or contact leadership.programs@gcsu.edu or 478-445-1227.

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Congratulations to Our Newly Elected At-Large Senator: Dr. Jamie Downing

University Senate : Wednesday February 26, 2025

Please join us in congratulating our newly elected At-Large Faculty Senator, Dr. Jamie Downing (CoAS, Department of Communication). She will begin her term of service representing the entire Corps of Instruction starting in April. Thank you to all who voted and to Dr. Downing for her willingness to serve and commitment to shared governance.

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Campus & Summer Jobs Fair - March 5

Career Center : Wednesday February 26, 2025

Looking to make the most out of your summer break or secure a fantastic opportunity for the upcoming fall semester? Join us at the Spring 2025 Campus & Summer Jobs Fair on Wednesday, March 5, in Magnolia Ballroom (Student Activities Center) from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.



- Explore On-Campus Opportunities for Summer & Fall: Connect with various on-campus departments offering a range of positions specifically for the upcoming fall semester. Start planning your academic year with exciting roles that align with your interests and career goals.
- Discover Summer Camp Experiences: Dive into the world of adventure! Explore summer job opportunities with summer camps looking for enthusiastic individuals like you to create memorable experiences for campers.
- Connect with Part-time Employers: Explore part-time summer opportunities beyond the campus with employers seeking talented students for a variety of roles. Whether it's in your field of study or a unique experience to broaden your skill set, the possibilities are endless!

All majors and classifications are welcome to attend! Come as you are and bring plenty of copies of your resume (if you have one) to leave with employers.

Questions? Contact the Career Center at career.center@gcsu.edu.

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Nominations Now Open: Celebration of Excellence

Staff Council : Wednesday February 26, 2025

Every April, Georgia College & State University hosts the Celebration of Excellence Awards Ceremony to recognize staff who have shown excellence in their field and dedicated service to the university community. Staff Council is now asking for nominations. [To nominate a staff member or team on campus, please fill out our online form.](#) Below is the list of awards available along with a description of the award.



Individual Service Excellence: This award recognizes individual staff members who have gone above and beyond in their service to students, colleagues and other Georgia College community members during the last academic year.

Outstanding Leadership Award: This award recognizes individuals in leadership roles/capacities who have gone above and beyond in their service to students, colleagues and other Georgia College community members during the last academic year.

Team Service Excellence: This award recognizes teams that have gone above and beyond in their service to students, colleagues and other Georgia College community members during the last academic year.

Bobcat Spirit: This award recognizes an individual who exemplifies the spirit of Georgia College and everything it signifies. Successful candidates can either bleed blue and green for the university's many sports teams or exude school spirit in the way they exemplify the Liberal Arts Mission - engaging in intellectual, professional or civic pursuits; taking initiative; answering the call to leadership; and building a better university community for the future.

Bobcat Partner Award: Not all members of Team Georgia College are employed by the university. This award recognizes a business or organization that, although not a part of Georgia College, helps the campus community achieve its mission and goals as if it were a member of the

team. Successful nominations could be for a vendor that does business with Georgia College or an organization that partners with Georgia College departments, on-campus organizations or initiatives.

The Eve Puckett Community Service Award: This award recognizes an individual who donates his or her time to on campus or community volunteer opportunities above and beyond their responsibilities at Georgia College.

Nominations must be submitted to Staff Council no later than March 28, 2025. If you have questions about the nomination process, please email staff_council@gcsu.edu.

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Learn to Change a Tire with BC^3 and Bobcats FIRST

Student Health and Wellbeing, Office of : Wednesday February 26, 2025

The Bobcats Car Club and Bobcats FIRST invite you to a drop-in workshop to learn how to change a tire on your car. Learning these useful skills empowers us to be prepared and resilient in an unexpected situation. Stop by the A&S Fountain at 5 p.m. on Thursday, February 27, to see a demonstration and even try for yourself.



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Disney College Program Info Session - March 3

Career Center : Wednesday February 26, 2025

The Disney College Program Fall 2025 Applications are currently open!

Ready to make your Disney dreams come true? Join us for our final info session of the semester where we'll discuss the Disney College Program, the application process and everything you need to know to get started. Plus, don't miss out on our fun Disney trivia with prizes!

When: Monday, March 3, at 11 a.m.

Where: Lanier Hall 140

Interested in learning more before you stop by?

- [Click here for more information about the Disney College Program.](#)
- [Click here for more information about Disney College Program roles.](#)

If you have any questions, please email our DCP Coordinator at daniella.pittman@gcsu.edu.

See you there for all things Disney!

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GC in DC & Legislative Internships: Lunch and Learn - March 5

Career Center : Thursday February 27, 2025

Do you want to spend a semester in Washington, D.C. or the Georgia State Capitol?

Here's your chance to learn about the [GC in DC](#) & Legislative Internships Internship Programs. This info session will provide an overview and tips for the application process and what to expect from these opportunities. This session is open to students of all majors! Free pizza will be provided.

When: Wednesday, March 5, at 12 p.m.

Where: Lanier Hall 140

Questions? Email career.center@gcsu.edu.

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U.S. Marine Corps Pull-up Challenge March 4

Career Center : Thursday February 27, 2025

Join the U.S. Marine Corps at the A&S Fountain for a Pull-up Challenge on March 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Test your strength, meet the team and learn about the Platoon Leaders Course (PLC)!

The PLC Commissioning Program offers full-time college students the opportunity to pursue a commission in the U.S. Marine Corps without pausing their academic studies. Stop by their table to learn more.

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Elevate to Celebrate - February 2025

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Please see the [February 2025 issue of Elevate to Celebrate](#) for more information on:

- The Heart of Teaching Excellence at Georgia College & State University: Jehan El-Jourbagy
- Navigating the First Year: Sara Jordan's Reflections on Teaching and Growth
- From Certified Nurse Midwife to Educator: Denise Cochran's Journey into Academia
- Spotlight on Faculty Awards: Dr. Chika Unigwe
- Selected Letters from Thank-a-Teacher@GCSU Fall 2024
- News from IT

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New Training Opportunity: Behavioral Science of Excellent Customer Service

Human Resources, Office of : Thursday February 27, 2025

The Office of Human Resources is excited to announce a new virtual training opportunity for all employees on Tuesday, March 4, 1 – 2 p.m. See the link below to register and a description of the training. We hope you will be able to join us!

- Training Topic: Behavioral Science of Excellent Customer Service
- When: Tuesday, March 4
- Time: 1 – 2 p.m.
- Registration Link:
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6931284363279256921>

Description of Training:

This training empowers participants by leveraging behavioral science strategies to enhance their customer service skills and foster impactful interactions. By delving into key psychological principles, such as understanding human motivation, decision-making processes, and emotional responses, participants will gain insights into how these factors influence customer experiences.

The session focuses on communication techniques grounded in behavioral science, enabling participants to anticipate customer needs more effectively and respond to emotions with greater empathy. By understanding the underlying motivations behind customer behavior, they can navigate challenges more adeptly, turning potential conflicts into opportunities for connection.

In this session, participants will:

- Learn Psychological De-Escalation Techniques Rooted In Cognitive Reframing: Enable transforming customer complaints into collaborative problem-solving opportunities by recognizing emotional triggers.
- Discover Practical Exercises: To help participants acquire skills to establish trust and rapport with customers, enhancing satisfaction and loyalty.
- Learn Effective Communication Techniques: Rooted in psychological insights allow responding to customer emotions with empathy and building stronger connections
- Lead with Proven Tools: To create memorable customer experiences across various contexts.

We look forward to seeing you in this exciting and very informative training!

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Georgia Collegiate Honors Conference

Honors College : Friday February 28, 2025

On Feb. 21-22, eighteen GCSU Honors students participated in the Georgia Collegiate Honors Conference at Georgia Tech. They all did an excellent job presenting their scholarship! Each student's presentation and mentor are listed below. Chloe Melton won first place in the Social Sciences category for her paper on the history of the Body Mass Index. Congratulations, Chloe! And a big thank you to Dr. Steve Elliott-Gower and Ms. Anna Whiteside for driving students to the conference.



- **Kassie Arps**, "The American Public Square: Who Really Owns It?"
Mentor: Dr. Harold Mock.
- **Kathryn Brook**, "There're No Roller Coasters Underwater! How Children Reference Generic Counterexamples." Mentor: Dr. Ashley Taylor.
- **Kathryn Cooper**, "The Impact of Restrictive Sociopolitical Legislation on Nonwhite Enrollment in Higher Education." Mentor: Dr. Min Su Kim.
- **Tommy Creekmore**, "Unsex Me Here: Violence and Femininity in Shakespeare's Macbeth and Leskov's Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk." Mentor: Dr. Jenny Flaherty.
- **Allison Decker**, "Learning to Resist: Rhetoric and Education in Life Among the Piutes." Mentor: Dr. Katie Simon.
- **Sofia Legoff Flores**, "Credit Card Use and Financial Literacy among College Students." Mentor: Dr. Jim Winchester.
- **Morgan Gosdin**, "Does Locus of Control Influence Risk Preferences in Tasks with Perceived Control?" Mentor: Dr. Diana Young.
- **Maryellen Hagberg**, "Art Under a Totalitarian Regime: Brazilian Neoconcrete Art Combatting Censorship." Mentor: Dr. Katy Newman.
- **Daniel Hastings**, "Complete Genome Sequencing and Annotation of the Gordonia Terrae Bacteriophage MooreStings." Mentor: Dr. Arnab Sengupta.

- **Claire Kosobud**, “Études for Election: Interpreting the Sonic Rhetoric of Presidential Nominees Hillary Clinton and Kamal Harris.” Mentor: Dr. Dana Gorzelany-Mostak.
- **Jayden Kypri**, “Synthesis, Characterization, and Bioactivity of Alloxan Benzylthiosemicarbazone (ALL-BTSC) and its Palladium Complex on Topoisomerase IIa.” Mentor: Dr. Wathsala Medawala.
- **Chloe Melton**, “The History of BMI: An Analysis of Body Mass Index and its Utility as a Health Indicator.” Mentors: Dr. Brian Newsome and Dr. Helen DuPree.
- **Juliann Mackiewicz**, “Coffee Substitutions in the Confederacy During the Civil War.” Mentor: Dr. Stephanie Opperman.
- **Jack McKinney**, “A Rhetoric of Complacency: An Ideographic Analysis of Bernie Sanders’ 2016 DNC Speech.” Dr. Jamie Downing.
- **Samantha Paton**, “Nuclear Postures and Geopolitical Shifts in the Modern Era.”
- **Kayley Owens and Bethany Tapee**, “Climate Injustice in the Global South: Taking Action.” Mentor: Dr. Steve Elliott-Gower.
- **Shani Thompson**, “Building Coping Skills in a 3rd -5th Grade Classroom for Students with Emotional and Behavioral Disorders.” Mentor: Dr. Katie Whipple.

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Study Abroad Scholarship Application Deadline Extended to March 15

International Education Center : Friday February 28, 2025

Because of difficulties with the scholarship application module of the online Study Abroad application system, the deadline for Summer and Fall Study Abroad scholarship applications is extended to March 15. Students should watch their GCSU email accounts for updates and further information.

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Mindful Monday for March 3

Student Health and Wellbeing, Office of : Friday February 28, 2025

The Mindful Monday for March 3 is a quote from educational psychologist Kristin Neff: "What if we responded to stressful situations with a sense of curiosity rather than trying to battle our stress into submission?"



Mindful Monday is a Year 1 initiative of Georgia College & State University's QEP, Bobcats FIRST. Here's what you can do to be part of this initiative:

- Follow @gcsu_bobcatsfirst on Instagram or download the attached image.
- Share the Mindful Monday post to your departmental and/or personal social media account.
- Reference the Mindful Monday in class, and ask students to reflect silently or aloud.
- Share in other creative ways to promote mindfulness, positivity and belonging.

To receive the Mindful Monday posts on Fridays directly to your e-mail, join the distribution list by clicking [here](#).

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