



To teach, to serve, and to inquire into the nature of things.



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KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND INSTITUTIONAL PRIORITIES

Building a World-Class Learning Environment

- Enrolled most academically qualified class of first-year students in the institution's history
- Adopted transformative experiential learning requirement for all undergraduates
- Launched undergraduate research assistantship program
- Opened residential learning facility in Washington, DC and new Veterinary Medical Center
- Made progress on new Science Learning Center, Business Learning Community, and Food Technology Center
- Achieved record high six-year graduation rate of nearly 85%

Expanding the Research Enterprise

- Generated \$200 million in externally sponsored project expenditures
- Launched hiring initiative to recruit world leaders in research
- Hired three internationally renowned Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholars
- Introduced 28 new products originating from UGA research to market
- Ranked among top five universities for total technologies licensed or optioned by industry

Promoting Prosperity

- Produced an estimated economic impact of more than \$4 billion on the state of Georgia
- Helped launch more than 300 small businesses and create thousands of jobs
- Celebrated 100 years of UGA Extension to communities across Georgia
- Trained 22,000 elected officials and public employees
- Coordinated the 29th Biennial Institute for Georgia Legislators

Securing UGA's Long-Term Success

- Completed best fundraising year in UGA's history
- Added 23 endowed faculty positions
- Increased endowment for scholarships and need-based aid by \$56 million
- Exceeded \$1 billion in total foundation assets

ABOUT PRESIDENT JERE W. MOREHEAD



Jere W. Morehead became the University of Georgia's 22nd President on July 1, 2013. Prior to becoming President, he served UGA in many key administrative roles, including Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Vice President for Instruction, and Associate Provost and Director of the Honors Program.

President Morehead is the Meigs Professor of Legal Studies in the Terry College of Business, where he has held a faculty appointment since 1986. He is a co-author of several books and book chapters, including *The Legal and Regulatory Environment of Business*, and he has published scholarly articles on legal topics ranging from export controls to jury selection. He has served as editor-in-chief of the *American Business Law Journal* and previously held several other editorial board positions with the *ABLJ*.

President Morehead has received several university-wide teaching awards, including the Josiah Meigs Award—UGA's highest honor for teaching excellence—the Richard B. Russell Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, the Teacher of the Year Award in the Terry College of Business, and the Lothar Tresp Outstanding Honors Professor Award. He also received the Distinguished Service Scroll Award, the Law School Alumni Association's highest honor, and has been included in *Georgia Trend's* list of Most Influential Georgians for two consecutive years.

President Morehead is the first alumnus of UGA to be named President in more than forty-five years. He received his law degree (J.D.) from the University of Georgia in 1980 and served as an Assistant United States Attorney with the Department of Justice from 1980 to 1986.



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- [The Economic Impact of UGA](#) – July 11, 2013
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- [2014 State of the University](#) – January 23, 2014
- [Georgia Trend interview](#) – October 23, 2014

"It is important that not one of us accepts the status quo as we strive to make this university all that it can be. I want the staff and faculty to push us for change, tell us how we can do better, think innovatively. As Richard Boyer, an expert on the academic workplace, recently stated in the Chronicle of Higher Education, 'Innovation requires an environment [where] employees can challenge traditional practices without fear of repercussions; those with different perspectives can come together, without individual agendas, to explore what best serves the larger good; employees are empowered to be creative and try new things; 'mistakes' and appropriate risk-taking are not simply tolerated but actually encouraged; and leaders and the organization as a whole understand the balance between being efficient and investing in the future.'"

That is the kind of environment I want for all of us at UGA."

- President Jere Morehead, 2014 State of the University

ABOUT PROVOST PAMELA WHITTEN



Dr. Pamela Whitten joined the University of Georgia as its senior vice president for academic affairs and provost in 2014 following a national search.

As the chief academic officer at UGA, she oversees instruction, information technology, public service and outreach, research, and student affairs. The vice presidents of these five areas report to her, as do the deans of UGA's 17 schools and colleges as well as the campus dean of the Georgia Regents University/UGA Medical Partnership. Associate provosts for academic fiscal affairs, academic planning, academic programs, the Honors Program, institutional diversity, international education and the libraries also report to her, as do the vice provost for academic affairs and the associate vice president for faculty affairs.

Prior to being named provost at UGA, Whitten was dean of the College of Communication Arts and Sciences at Michigan State University. She is an internationally recognized expert in the field of telemedicine—the remote delivery of health care services and information—who has conducted her research with nearly \$30 million in funding from agencies such as the National Institutes of Health and the U.S. Department of Commerce. She has co-authored two books and published more than 100 peer-reviewed research articles and book chapters.

Whitten is a Fellow of the American Telemedicine Association and has received the Michigan State University Distinguished Faculty Award, the MSU Outreach Scholarship Award and the National Library of Medicine and American Medical Women's Association Local Legends in Medicine Award, among other honors.

In addition to her role as provost at UGA, she holds tenured faculty appointments jointly in three departments: telecommunications in the Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication, health policy and management in the College of Public Health, and communication studies in the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences.

She holds a Ph.D. in communication studies from the University of Kansas, a master's degree in organizational communication from the University of Kentucky and a bachelor's degree in business *magna cum laude* from Tulane University.

"We are proud to be one of the nation's leading public universities, but we're certainly not resting on our laurels. Our students, state and nation deserve the very best this institution has to offer."

- Provost Pamela Whitten

[Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost](#)
[Written by Whitten](#) (Provost's Blog)



Initiatives

Experiential Learning

UGA has taken a significant step toward ensuring that all of its students engage in the kinds of hands-on experiences that enhance learning and position them for success after graduation.

All undergraduate students will be required to engage in experiential learning—through opportunities that include undergraduate research, study abroad, service-learning, internships and other experiences—through a new graduation requirement that will go into effect no sooner than fall 2016 for incoming first-year students.

www.experience.uga.com

Women's Leadership Initiative

UGA has launched an initiative to enhance the representation of women in leadership roles on campus. The Women's Leadership Initiative is addressing issues such as recruitment and hiring, career development, work-life balance and leadership development.

<http://provost.uga.edu/index.php/womensleadership>

Enhancing the Learning Environment

In 2014, UGA launched a series of new and expanded initiatives to enhance the academic experience of students and position them for success during their time at UGA and beyond. The three key priorities for student success are streamlining time to graduation; fostering readiness for employment, graduate or professional school; and enhancing UGA's ability to recruit world-class graduate students while expanding access to graduate programs.

<http://news.uga.edu/releases/article/uga-learning-environment-initiatives/>

Expanding the Research Enterprise

UGA is undertaking a large-scale effort to streamline and enhance the way that grants for research and other sponsored projects are managed, with the ultimate goal of boosting faculty productivity. Changes introduced include improved coordination between pre- and post-award units, increased training and other customer service measures.

<http://columns.uga.edu/news/fulltext/campus-wide-initiative-underway-to-improve-grants-management/>

Recruiting World-Class Faculty

Several recent hiring initiatives have increased the size and strength of UGA's faculty. The Presidential Interdisciplinary Hiring Initiative has enhanced the impact of the university's research, instruction and service, while an Extraordinary Research Faculty Hiring Initiative is attracting faculty who are on the leading edge of their fields.

<http://columns.uga.edu/news/article/new-faculty-leading-scholars-join-uga-as-result-of-initiatives/>

Strategic Plan

Through an inclusive, University-wide effort, the University of Georgia 2010-2020 Strategic Planning Committee examined the strategic framework of the University and identified seven strategic directions to focus institutional development. Building on the framework of those seven strategic directions, the original plan was updated and approved by the University Council in 2012.

http://oap.uga.edu/strategic_planning/

HISTORY OF UGA

When the University of Georgia was incorporated by an act of the General Assembly on January 27, 1785, Georgia became the first state to charter a state-supported university. In 1784 the General Assembly had set aside 40,000 acres of land to endow a college or seminary of learning.

At the first meeting of the Board of Trustees, held in Augusta on February 13, 1786, Abraham Baldwin was selected president of the University. A native of Connecticut and a graduate of Yale University, Baldwin – who had come to Georgia in 1784 – drafted the charter adopted by the General Assembly.

The University was actually established in 1801 when a committee of the Board of Trustees selected a land site. John Milledge, later a governor of the state, purchased and gave to the Board of Trustees the chosen tract of 633 acres on the banks of the Oconee River in northeast Georgia.

Two men who were leaders of the early University of Georgia also signed the United States Constitution. Abraham Baldwin, who wrote UGA's charter and was the institution's first president, and William Few, a member of the Board of Trustees, signed the Constitution on behalf of Georgia at the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1787.

Josiah Meigs was named president of the University and work was begun on the first building originally called Franklin College in honor of Benjamin Franklin – now known as Old College. The University graduated its first class in 1804. The curriculum of traditional classical studies was broadened in 1843 to include courses in law, and again in 1872 when the University received federal funds for instruction in agriculture and mechanical arts.

Seventeen colleges and schools, with auxiliary divisions, carry on the University's programs of teaching, research, and service. These colleges and schools and the dates of their establishment as separate administrative units are: Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, 1801; College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, 1859; School of Law, 1859; Robert C. Wilson College of Pharmacy, 1903; Daniel B. Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources, 1906; College of Education, 1908; Graduate School, 1910; C. Herman and Mary Virginia Terry College of Business, 1912; Henry W. Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication, 1915; College of Family and Consumer Sciences, 1933; College of Veterinary Medicine, 1946; School of Social Work, 1964; College of Environment and Design, 2001; School of Public and International Affairs, 2001; College of Public Health, 2005; Eugene P. Odum School of Ecology, 2007; and the College of Engineering, 2012. The University is also home to the Georgia Regents University/University of Georgia Medical Partnership, established in 2009. The Division of General Extension, now the Georgia Center for Continuing Education Conference Center and Hotel, was incorporated into the University in 1947.

In 1931 the General Assembly of Georgia placed all state-supported institutions of higher education, including UGA, under the jurisdiction of a single board. This organization, known as the University System of Georgia, is governed by the board of regents. The board of regents' executive officer, the chancellor, exercises a general supervisory control over all institutions of the University System, with each institution having its own executive officers and faculty.



Chartered by the Georgia General Assembly January 27, 1785, The University of Georgia is America's **first state chartered university** and the **birthplace of the American system of public higher education**.

The University's Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication administers the **Peabody Awards program**. Often cited as the most prestigious award in electronic media, the Peabody Awards recognize excellence, distinguished achievement and meritorious service by radio and television networks, stations, cable television organizations, producing organizations and individuals. The Peabody archives, housed at UGA, contain some of the best radio and television programs produced in the last six decades.

UGA has had 23 students named **Rhodes Scholars** in its history.

The **Georgia Museum of Art**, a unit of UGA, is the official state museum of art, consisting of 19th and 20th century American paintings; American, European and Asian works on paper; the Samuel H. Kress Study Collection of Italian Renaissance paintings, and a growing collection of southern decorative arts.

Bernard Ramsey (BS '37), who died July 11, 1996, was UGA's most generous benefactor. His contributions to the University totaled nearly \$45 million, including an \$18.8 million bequest. The **Bernard B. and Eugenia A. Ramsey Student Physical Activities Center** is named for Mr. Ramsey and his late wife.

The UGA libraries have established the **Georgia Writers Hall of Fame** to recognize authors for their contributions to the state's literary heritage. Its member include: Margaret Mitchell, Martin Luther King, Jr., Flannery O'Connor, Sidney Lanier, W.E.B. Du Bois, Jimmy Carter, Pat Conroy, James Dickey, and Terry Kay.

The University is a co-sponsor of the **Biennial Institute for Georgia Legislators**, one of the few programs of its kind conducted by a higher education institution in the U.S. The institute provides orientation for new members of the Georgia General Assembly and offers programs on major issues and policy questions for incumbent legislators.

The Georgia Review, the University's quarterly literary journal, features writing by many of the nation's most acclaimed authors and has twice taken a top prize in the annual National Magazine Awards competition.

The University of Georgia Libraries has been the administrator of the prestigious Lillian Smith Book Awards since 2004. The Libraries' partnership with The Southern Regional Council allows the awards to expand their reach to a wider audience and to more broadly fulfill the mission of enhancing racial awareness through literature.

The University's **Small Business Development Center** was established in 1977 as one of the first such programs in the country. The program annually provides hundreds of small businesses and prospective entrepreneurs with counseling, management training, continuing education, alumni networking and advocacy.

The University has twice been host for the **Annual Conference of Former Secretaries of State**. The first conference was held in 1990 and the second in 2008. The conference brings together former U.S. secretaries of state to discuss international affairs and U.S. foreign policy.

The first **Phi Beta Kappa** chapter in the state of Georgia was founded at UGA in 1914. Phi Beta Kappa is the oldest and most prestigious undergraduate honors organization in America. Only 270 colleges and universities have a chapter.

Public Service and Outreach is central to the University's mission, spearheading UGA's extensive outreach efforts through the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, the Fanning Institute and the Archway Partnership, reaching all 159 counties and more than 500 cities.

The Richard B. Russell Special Collections Libraries is an 115,000-square-foot facility housing the Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library, the Russell Library for Political Research and Studies, the Walter J. Brown Media Archives and the Peabody Awards Collection.

In addition to its status as a land-grant institution, the University is one of 30 institutions in the U.S. to be designated a **Sea Grant College**. The University in 1980 became the 15th institution to attain Sea Grant status, a recognition of excellence in marine research, education and advisory services.

The University of Georgia continues to be one of the **best values in public higher education** in the nation. Top value and low debt at graduation earned UGA 10th-place status on Kiplinger Magazine's list of 100 best values among public colleges and universities in the [2015 rankings](#).

UGA is ranked fifth among the nation's universities for the production of **Fulbright U.S. Scholars**.

[Current Georgia Research Alliance \(GRA\) Eminent Scholars](#)

Georgia Research Alliance

The GRA, a consortium of state government, private industry and eight Georgia universities, provides funding for leading scientists and scholars whose research and development work will benefit the state's economy. UGA's eminent scholars are:

- **Bruce Beck**, an expert on environmental systems and water quality
- **Jeffrey Bennetzen**, a molecular geneticist who specializes in plant genome structure and plant breeding and genetic engineering
- **Stephen Dalton**, a researcher in molecular biosciences who specializes in work with embryonic stem cells
- **Roberto Docampo**, a cellular biology expert whose research focuses on metabolic pathways in parasites that cause deadly diseases such as malaria and African sleeping sickness
- **Arthur Edison**, one of the leading experts on nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy and director of the NMR facility housed in the Complex Carbohydrate Research Center
- **Robert Haltiwanger**, a glycoscience researcher whose work addresses diseases such as cancer, congenital disorders and cardiovascular disease ([2015](#))
- **Michael Hannafin**, an authority in the use of technology for teaching and learning
- **Scott Jackson**, director of the UGA Center for Applied Genetic Technologies and professor of crop and soil sciences
- **Robert Maier**, a specialist in the field of microbial physiology
- **Vasu Nair**, an expert on the chemistry and chemical biology of molecules that help fight diseases caused by viruses and director of the UGA Center for Drug Discovery
- **James Prestegard**, an authority on the use of nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy to study the structure and dynamics of biological systems
- **Ted Ross**, joined the College of Veterinary Medicine in [August 2015](#) as the GRA Eminent Scholar in Infectious Diseases
- **Steven Stice**, a leader in the field of transgenics, the science of manipulating or altering genes that allows for cloning and other genetic engineering techniques
- **Ralph Tripp**, a specialist in vaccine development and treatment approaches for respiratory virus infections
- **Chung-Jui Tsai**, a forestry scientist with expertise in creating high-energy-yielding trees that can be transformed into biofuels
- **B.C. Wang**, a leading researcher in the field of x-ray crystallography
- **Ying Xu**, an authority in computational biology and bioinformatics with special expertise in protein structure prediction and modeling

[Focus on Faculty](#)

These profiles highlight faculty members who are making great strides in education, research, and community service and engagement.

[Honors and Awards](#)

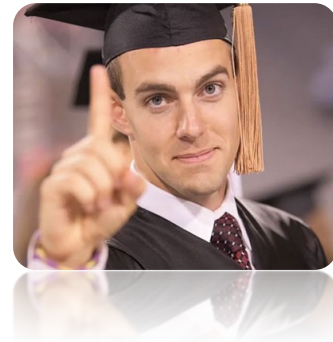
Please visit the link above for a full listing of UGA faculty honors and awards from and memberships in prestigious associations such as the National Academy of Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the National Academy of Engineering, the Institute of Medicine, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and more.



UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

The University of Georgia is a national leader among public universities in the numbers of major scholarships earned by our students.

- 23 Rhodes Scholars
- Five Gates Cambridge Scholars
- Six Marshall Scholars
- Three Mitchell Scholars
- 49 Goldwater Scholars
- 20 Truman Scholars (five in the past five years)
- 13 Udall Scholars
- 21 Boren Scholarships have been awarded since 2010
- 49 UGA students were offered Fulbright Scholarships in the past four years



Lauren Dennison, a junior from Raleigh, North Carolina; Erin Hollander, a sophomore from Athens; and Karishma Sriram, a junior from Athens, are 2015 Goldwater Scholars.

Kathleen Wilson, an Honors student from Beaumont, Texas, received a 2015 Truman Scholarship, which recognizes juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to careers in government and elsewhere in public service.

Honors student Torre Lavelle was awarded a 2015 Udall Foundation Scholarship, recognizing outstanding sophomores and juniors pursuing careers focused on environmental or Native American public policy.

Twelve University of Georgia students were awarded the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship to study abroad in the summer of 2014. This is the highest number of scholarships UGA has received for summer programs. The Gilman Scholarship, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, is a nationally competitive needs-based scholarship that aims to diversify the students who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go.

2014 Freshmen

New First-Year Students Enrolled: 5,285

Overall Average High School GPA of All Enrolled First-Year Students: 3.9

High School GPA - Middle 50% of All Enrolled Honors Students: 4.00-4.18

SAT-I Middle 50% of Admitted First-Year Students: 1800-2060

ACT Middle 50% of Admitted First-Year Students: 28-32

A Competitive Class

The Class of 2018 had outstanding academic credentials:

- 95% took at least one College Board Advanced Placement Course.
- More than 10% took college classes while in high school.
- More than 90% were in their school's "advanced" or "most difficult" curriculum.
- More than 1400 have a core high school GPA of 4.00 or higher.
- 54% were in the top tenth percentile of their high school class.
- More than 240 graduated first or second in their class.
- 531 are enrolled in the Honors Program.

First-Year Retention

94% of UGA first-year students return for their second year, well above the average of 69-75% for large public research universities. The first-year retention rate for African-American students is higher than UGA's overall rate, at 95%.

Academic Offerings

Baccalaureate degrees in more than 140 fields
Master's degrees in 138 fields
Specialist in Education degree in 18 major fields
Doctoral degrees in 98 areas
Professional degrees in law, pharmacy and veterinary medicine
More than 170 Study Abroad & exchange programs



Athletics

NCAA Division I, Southeastern Conference
9 men's varsity sports
12 women's varsity sports
41 national championships



What the College Guides Say

U.S. News & World Report's 2016 "Best Colleges" edition has [UGA](#) ranked 21st among public universities and 61st among national universities.

Kiplinger Magazine ranks UGA 10th in its 2015 list of the "[100 Best Values in Public Colleges](#)."

Forbes ranks UGA 18th among public universities and 102nd overall in the 2015 list of "[America's Top Colleges 2015](#)."

Total Living Alumni: Approximately 291,000+

STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Division of Student Affairs comprises 21 campus departments that enhance the learning environment for students by stimulating the learning process, integrating the in-class and out-of-class experiences, promoting an environment conducive to growth and discovery and facilitating intellectual, spiritual, social, occupational, physical, cultural and emotional development.

- [Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs](#)
- [Office of the Dean of Students](#)
- [Academic Partnerships and Initiatives](#)
- [Center for Leadership and Service](#)
- [Disability Resource Center](#)
- [Greek Life](#)
- [International Student Life](#)
- [Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center](#)
- [Multicultural Services & Programs](#)
- [Student Conduct](#)
- [Recreational Sports](#)
- [Student Affairs Assessment & Staff Development](#)
- [Student Affairs Communications & Marketing Initiatives](#)
- [Student Support Services](#)
- [Student Affairs Development](#)
- [Student Veterans Resource Center](#)
- [Tate Business Services](#)
- [Tate Student Center](#)
 - [Center for Student Organizations](#)
- [University Health Center](#)
- [University Housing](#)
- [University Testing Services](#)



Mission

The Office of the Vice President for Research encourages and supports innovative interdisciplinary research, scholarship and creative activities that contribute to the physical, emotional and economic well-being of the people of Georgia, the nation and the world. Through partnerships and collaborations, we seek to share knowledge, increase innovation, and deliver the products of our research to the marketplace.



UGA received a total of about \$231.1 million in research awards, grants and contracts in fiscal year 2015. Total research expenditures in FY15 amounted to roughly \$200.3 million. For technology commercialization, UGA consistently ranks among the top universities in the country, due in large part to its high level of licensing activity. In 2014 UGA was in the Top 5 U.S. universities for licenses and options executed for the 7th consecutive year, and in Top 20 U.S. public universities in licensing revenue for the 10th consecutive year.

The discoveries made by UGA researchers create unique opportunities to improve lives in Georgia and beyond. UGA is a top partner for industry, ranking among the best U.S. universities for licensing activity. More than 525 products ranging from pharmaceuticals to peanuts and from poultry vaccines to education tools are now in the marketplace. UGA earned \$6.6 million in income from licensing agreements in FY14.

As the state's most comprehensive research institution, the University of Georgia is a major driver of economic and workforce development, catalyzing effective public/private partnerships that support industry, create new businesses, generate new jobs, and train the college-educated workforce of tomorrow.

Research strengths include:

- Glycobiology
- Plant sciences, including genomics
- Infectious diseases, including vaccine development and parasitology
- Biomedical research, including stem cell/regenerative medicine
- Behavioral/social science research

The University of Georgia is classified as a Research University/Very High Activity, according to the [Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching](#).



[Office of the Vice President for Research](#)
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[Innovation Gateway](#)

UGA's [Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach](#) (PSO) codirects the University's economic development program, including overseeing the UGA economic development office in Atlanta designed both to serve the metro area and to be a hub for community economic development efforts statewide. PSO programs play an essential role in economic development through preparing communities and leaders for success through training, through planning, and through customized assistance to address issues, whether in the communities or in industries such as the fishing industry on Georgia's coast.

PSO programs had an estimated economic impact on Georgia's economy of \$344 million in 2013 and supported 3,300 jobs. External income totaled \$39 million, more than doubling the investment of state dollars in PSO programs.

Nearly 500 public service and outreach experts connect with all 159 counties in Georgia and 539 of its cities, creating partnerships that help communities thrive through job creation, leadership development, and addressing important issues. PSO assists the communities in becoming attractive locations for business and in retaining businesses as well as in enhancing their effectiveness and responsiveness to residents. PSO serves the state at all levels, working with elected officials and other leaders and state agencies, often through creating a collaborative team of experts from UGA's schools and colleges.

Eight diverse units serve the state in a variety of ways:

- **Archway Partnership:** Works with communities to develop partnerships and collaborations that help them reach their goals for improvement.
- **Carl Vinson Institute of Government:** Works with state and local elected and appointed officials and other government personnel on becoming more effective and responsive to constituents.
- **Georgia Center for Continuing Education:** Provides professional and personal development courses, conferences, and other events, all supported by a state-of-the-art facility and award-winning hospitality staff for the on-site hotel and conference center.
- **J. W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development:** Helps develop leadership skills in community leaders, nonprofit organizations, and at-risk youth.
- **Marine Outreach Programs:** The Marine Extension Service (MAREX) and Georgia Sea Grant help address coastal issues, the first through educational programs and assistance to fishing industries and other stakeholders. Sea Grant provides grant funding for coastal-related research.
- **Office of Service-Learning (OSL):** Reporting to the VP for Instruction as well as the VP for Public Service and Outreach, OSL coordinates service-learning opportunities for students by helping create community engagement work connected to service-learning courses that combine classroom and in-the-field learning to enrich students' education.
- **Small Business Development Center (SBDC):** Seventeen offices around the state work with small business owners, assisting them in getting started and then thriving, including exporting abroad if applicable. Over the last five years, SBDC helped to create 1,405 new small businesses and 9,777 new jobs. Additionally, \$404 million capital was raised through loans and equity financing. The SBDC also had \$7.2 billion in sales.
- **State Botanical Garden of Georgia:** UGA is home to the state's botanical garden, which offers beautiful space for leisure but also research and educational opportunities, leading efforts around the state in the conservation of native plants.

UNIVERSITY FACILITIES



UGA's \$43 million [Zell B. Miller Learning Center](#), located in the heart of campus, is one of the largest and most technologically advanced facilities of its kind on an American university campus. The 206,000-square-foot building, on a 6.5-acre footprint, contains 26 classrooms with a total of 2,200 seats, and 96 small study rooms. An electronic library allows users to electronically access materials in other university libraries. The building has 500 public-access computers, and many classrooms and study rooms have laptop connections. The building also has a coffee shop and reading room.

The [Paul D. Coverdell Center for Biomedical and Health Sciences](#) opened in 2006. The 200,000-square-foot, \$40 million facility — named for the late senior U.S. senator from Georgia — provides space for faculty to conduct research in such areas as biomedicine, agriculture, ecology and environmental sciences, and is the home of UGA's Biomedical and Health Sciences Institute. The U.S. Congress and the Georgia General Assembly each provided \$10 million for the building, and UGA raised \$20 million from other sources.



The [Complex Carbohydrate Research Center](#) was created in 1985 as the first facility in the world devoted specifically to the study of complex carbohydrates. The CCRC is home to four federally designated centers for carbohydrate research, and is a Georgia Research Alliance-supported regional center for nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy. The CCRC receives approximately \$15 million annually in research awards.

The Center's 140,000-square-foot building, which opened in February 2004, is the third expansion of the CCRC since it was formed. The facility includes incubators, fermentation and cell culture rooms, and specialized equipment to support medical glycoscience research; laboratories for plant growth and plant bioenergy research; laboratories for analytical services and training; laboratories for synthetic carbohydrate chemistry research; and instrument suites for nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometers, mass spectrometers and computational modeling.

In fall 2012, the University of Georgia announced the creation of its [Center for Molecular Medicine](#) with Stephen Dalton, PhD, as its founding director. Development of the CMM complements UGA's recent thrust into human health, which is marked by the opening of a new health sciences campus that includes a medical school campus operated in partnership with Georgia Health Sciences University (formerly the Medical College of Georgia), as well as the rapidly expanding College of Public Health. Over the next three to four years, CMM will be expanding through the recruitment of up to eight new faculty. *It is anticipated that the CMM will be located in a new state-of-the-art, purpose-built facility adjacent to the Complex Carbohydrate Research Center.*



The University's 257,000-square-foot [Fred C. Davison Life Sciences Complex](#) provides state-of-the-art facilities and equipment for the University's biotechnology program. Scientists in genetics and

biochemistry conduct research in recombinant DNA, molecular biology, gene-splicing and other areas of genetic engineering.



The 425,000-square-foot [Bernard B. and Eugenia A. Ramsey Student Center for Physical Activities](#) is one of the largest and most comprehensive fitness/exercise facilities for students and faculty in the country, and has been rated by Sports Illustrated as the nation's best such facility. Covering some 5 ½ acres, the Ramsey Student Center contains gymnasia, recreational and competition swimming pools, racquetball courts, a volleyball gymnasium, weight training rooms, dance studios and concert seating. It also contains classrooms, research labs and administrative and faculty offices for the School of Health and Human Performance.



The [Animal Health Research Center](#), a facility of the College of Veterinary Medicine, provides scientists, including researchers from private biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, with state-of-the-art facilities and equipment to conduct basic and applied research on vaccines, diagnostic tests and treatments for diseases that infect animals and humans. The facility plays a key role in efforts to make Georgia a center for biomedical research involving viral diseases that are major public health threats.

The UGA Veterinary Teaching Hospital opened at its new location on College Station Road March 25, 2015. This state-of-the-art facility allows the Hospital to better meet its current patient care demands and the educational needs of the College while ensuring a bright future for both the CVM and the veterinary profession. The entire site is referred to as the [Veterinary Medical Center](#) and includes a new teaching hospital for small and large animals, a covered equine performance arena, a building dedicated to Field Services, Production Medicine and Theriogenology, and an education building for teaching and continuing education courses.



The [Founders' Memorial Garden](#) on the University campus commemorates the founding in Athens of the first garden club in America. The Founders Garden serves as a memorial to the first garden club in America. Situated on two and one-half acres, the garden consists of a formal boxwood garden, two courtyards, a retrace, a perennial garden, and an arboretum. Moreover, it is versatile in purpose: it is not just a museum of landscape design, but also a "living" laboratory for botany, forestry and related disciplines.

The University is home to the [State Botanical Garden of Georgia](#) (pictured), the [State](#)

[Museum of Art](#), and the [State Museum of Natural History](#). The Georgia General Assembly designated the University's Botanical Garden the State Botanical Garden in 1984. The 312-acre forest south of the main campus features a 20,000-square-foot conservatory/visitor's center that contains tropical and semi-tropical plants. The General Assembly designated the Georgia Museum of Art the State Museum of Art in 1982. Founded in 1945, the museum has a permanent collection of more than 9,000 works with primary focus on American artists. The General Assembly in 1999 designated the Museum of Natural History as the State of Georgia Museum of Natural History. Housed in several departments, the museum is composed of collections of arthropods, plants, rocks, snakes, fish, invertebrates, mammals, fungi, birds, pollen and plant microspores and contains more than 4,500,000 specimens.



Richard B. Russell Building [Special Collections Libraries](#)

The first special collections department at the University of Georgia was established in 1953. In the years since, the original collection, now the Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library, has grown. The Richard B. Russell Library for Political Research and Studies and the Walter J.

Brown Media Archives and Peabody Awards Collection were established in 1974 and 1995, respectively. Today all three departments work together to document the history and culture of Georgia as a state and as it relates to the nation and the world. In January 2010, UGA President Michael F. Adams, members of the Russell Foundation, the family of the late U.S. Senator Richard B. Russell, UGA Library staff, and special donors and friends broke ground for a new 115,000 square foot structure located on the northwest side of the University of Georgia campus. The facilities were dedicated in September 2012.



UGA's East Campus includes the (from left) [Hugh Hodgson School of Music](#), the [Performing Arts Center](#), the [Lamar Dodd School of Art](#), and the [Georgia Museum of Art](#) (below).



The Georgia Regents University/University of Georgia Medical Partnership is located on the [UGA Health Sciences Campus](#) in Athens. The nearly 63,000 square-foot building includes classrooms, rooms for small group and clinical skills

teaching, a lab for gross anatomy, pathology and histology, a medical library, and faculty offices. The Medical Partnership Administration is housed in Winnie Davis Hall, which was built in 1902. In 2011, the University of Georgia acquired the former U.S. Navy Supply Corps School on the medical corridor of Prince Avenue near downtown Athens. The 56-acre Health Sciences Campus has an extensive landscaped green space, more than 400 trees and several historic buildings.

Terry College of Business has launched its most ambitious capital campaign with a goal of raising \$90 million in private funding. The [Building Terry campaign](#) is building on an already strong foundation that will take the college from great to excellent.

Terry seeks to enhance the student experience by:

- **Building Opportunity:** Terry's new Learning Community — \$70,000,000
- **Building Knowledge:** Recruit, retain, support top faculty — \$10,000,000
- **Building Value:** Strengthen academic programs — \$10,000,000

The College is counting on the generosity of Terry alumni and friends to join forces with our exemplary faculty and students to create a new standard for business education.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the ongoing construction, which began December 2013 and is expected to reach completion in 2019.



[Delta Hall](#) is the UGA in Washington residential facility in the Capitol Hill neighborhood on the east side of Stanton Park. The new facility, which was purchased by the UGA Foundation in 2013, has undergone extensive renovations to transform the 20,000-square-foot space from a commercial office building to a residence hall and learning community. The renovated building provides living quarters, classroom and study space for UGA students and faculty who participate in UGA's experiential learning programs in the nation's capital. Click to learn more about the [Washington Semester Program](#).

QUICK FACTS ABOUT UGA

Founded

January 27, 1785, by the Georgia General Assembly. UGA is the first state-chartered university in America.

Location

Athens, Georgia (Clarke County), about 65 miles northeast of downtown Atlanta.

Size

Main campus: 389 buildings on 759 acres.

Total acreage in 30 Georgia counties: 39,950 acres

Work Force

(As of August 2014)

Faculty (instructional/research/public service): 2,879

Admin./other professional: 3,986

Technical/clerical/crafts/maintenance: 3,009

Total 9,874

Annual Budget (FY 2015)

\$1.48 billion (27.4% provided by the state of Georgia)

Research

Income (FY15): \$231.1 million

Expenses (FY15): \$200.3 million

Intellectual Property Income (FY14): \$6.6 million

Schools and Colleges

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Business, Ecology, Education, Environment and Design, Family and Consumer Sciences, Forestry and Natural Resources, Graduate School, Journalism and Mass Communication, Law, Pharmacy, Public Health, Public and International Affairs, Social Work, Veterinary Medicine, the GRU/UGA Medical Partnership, and Engineering

Libraries

Ranked among the nation's best research libraries. Total of 4.7 million volumes and one of nation's largest map collections.

Enrollment – Fall Semester 2014

Undergraduate: 26,882

Graduate/Professional: 8,315

Total 35,197

(This total includes students enrolled at UGA extended campuses in Gwinnett County, Tifton, Griffin, and Buckhead.)

Student Activities

Nearly 700 registered student organizations, including 32 social fraternities and 26 social sororities.

UGA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

UGA is currently in the silent phase of a comprehensive campaign to raise at least \$1 billion, and the University's upward trajectory has inspired confidence in our many supporters. We have set new records in fundraising in each of the past two years. In 2015, nearly 64,000 contributors donated more than \$144 million in gifts and pledges—a 14% increase over the previous year's record total.

VISION

The University of Georgia seeks to be one of the foremost public research universities in the world.

MISSION

The University of Georgia, a land-grant and sea-grant university with statewide commitments and responsibilities, is the state's oldest, most comprehensive, and most diversified institution of higher education. Its motto, "to teach, to serve, and to inquire into the nature of things," reflects the University's integral and unique role in the conservation and enhancement of the state's and nation's intellectual, cultural, and environmental heritage.

The University of Georgia shares with the other research universities of the University System of Georgia the following core characteristics:

- a statewide responsibility and commitment to excellence and academic achievements having national and international recognition;
- a commitment to excellence in a teaching/learning environment dedicated to serve a diverse and well-prepared student body, to promote high levels of student achievement, and to provide appropriate academic support services;
- a commitment to excellence in research, scholarship, and creative endeavors that are focused on organized programs to create, maintain, and apply new knowledge and theories; that promote instructional quality and effectiveness; and that enhance institutionally relevant faculty qualifications;
- a commitment to excellence in public service, economic development, and technical assistance activities designed to address the strategic needs of the state of Georgia along with a comprehensive offering of continuing education designed to meet the needs of Georgia's citizens in life-long learning and professional education;
- a wide range of academic and professional programming at the baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels.

With its statewide mission and core characteristics, the University of Georgia endeavors to prepare the University community and the state for full participation in the global society of the twenty-first century. Through its programs and practices, it seeks to foster the understanding of and respect for cultural differences necessary for an enlightened and educated citizenry. It further provides for cultural, ethnic, gender, and racial diversity in the faculty, staff, and student body. The University is

committed to preparing the University community to appreciate the critical importance of a quality environment to an interdependent global society.

As a comprehensive land-grant and sea-grant institution, the University of Georgia offers baccalaureate, master's, doctoral, and professional degrees in the arts, humanities, social sciences, biological sciences, physical sciences, agricultural and environmental sciences, business, ecology, environmental design, family and consumer sciences, forest resources, journalism and mass communication, education, law, pharmacy, public health, social work, and veterinary medicine.

The University attracts students nationally and internationally as well as from within Georgia. It offers the state's broadest array of possibilities in graduate and professional education, and thus a large minority of the student body is post-baccalaureate. The predominantly Georgian undergraduate student body is a mix of highly qualified students originally admitted as freshmen and selected transfer students principally from other University System institutions.

With original scholarship, basic and applied research, and creative activities constituting an essential core from which to draw, the impact of the land-grant and sea-grant mission is reflected throughout the state. Cooperative extension, continuing education, public service, experiment stations, and technology transfer are all designed to enhance the well-being of the citizens of Georgia through their roles in economic, social, and community development.

As it has been historically, the University of Georgia is responsive to the evolution of the state's educational, social, and economic needs. It aspires through its strategic planning to even closer contact and interaction with public and private institutions throughout the state as well as with the citizens it serves.

EXTENDED CAMPUSES

GRIFFIN

Located approximately 40 miles south of Atlanta, the University of Georgia Griffin campus offers undergraduate and graduate programs from five of UGA's schools and colleges. Established in 1888 as the Georgia Experiment Station, where agricultural research was conducted, UGA began offering undergraduate degree-completion programs at the Griffin campus in 2005. Today UGA-Griffin offers 11 undergraduate degree-completion programs and four graduate degree programs. The academic programs and services on the Griffin campus represent the university's overall mission of teaching, research and service.



GWINNETT

The University of Georgia Gwinnett campus is a highly accessible and vibrant center of advanced learning for non-traditional and working professionals in the greater Atlanta and northeast Georgia area. Students at UGA-Gwinnett have the opportunity to earn an advanced degree from the University of Georgia, consistently ranked among the top 25 public universities in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. UGA-Gwinnett offers 19 graduate degree programs, as well as certificate programs and professional development opportunities. The academic programs at UGA-Gwinnett provide students with low student-to-faculty ratios, which allows personable instruction from highly qualified faculty. Classes are offered in a convenient Atlanta location, off I-85 at the Old Peachtree Road exit. With evening and Saturday classes, students can pursue an advanced degree while continuing to work full-time.



TIFTON – College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

The Tifton campus has become an integral research component of the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, and it has grown right along with agriculture. The campus now includes 7,000 acres in south Georgia with research farms and centers at Alma, Attapulgus, Camilla, Midville, Lyons, and Plains. UGA researchers also collaborate with USDA Agricultural Research Service scientists based on the campus, a partnership that dates back to 1924.



BUCKHEAD/ATLANTA – [Terry College of Business](#)

The Terry College of Business and its MBA programs are consistently recognized as being among the top programs in the nation. In fact, the Terry MBA was recently ranked one of the top 22 public programs in the nation by Bloomberg Businessweek, The Economist, and The Financial Times. These rankings are a testament to the quality of the business college's curriculum, faculty, students and the success of its alumni. The Terry MBA provides the right combination of business theory, analytical skills, interpersonal skills, and leadership development that allows its graduates to excel.

The Terry College's "home away from home" in Atlanta is the Terry Executive Education Center.

The Executive and Professional MBA Programs are offered at the center in addition to non-degree programs such as the Certified Financial Planning course. The center also is a focal point and meeting place for Terry students, alumni, faculty, and staff to interact with Atlanta's business community. Designed and constructed with an eye toward maximizing each student's educational experience, the center features tiered executive classrooms, conference rooms, break-out meeting spaces, and interview suites. Also included is office space for faculty and staff as well as the college's Executives-in-Residence.

Bloomberg Businessweek ranks the Executive MBA program at UGA's Terry College of Business 22nd in the nation among public business schools in its latest rankings.

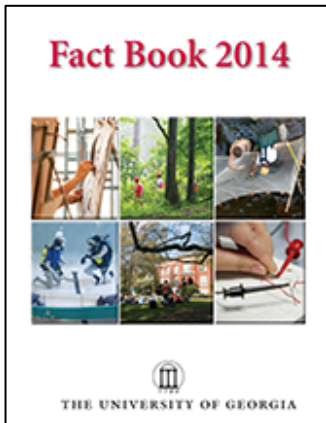
The Terry College MBA program ranks 19th among public institutions (No. 36 overall) in the 2015 [Forbes rankings](#), up from 24th among public schools (49th overall) in 2013.

The Executive MBA Program was ranked No. 14 worldwide by The Economist in its latest assessment ([May 2015](#))

U.S. News & World Report ranks the Terry College's BBA program at 31st in the nation (19th among public business schools).



LINKS TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



The University of Georgia Fact Book

The information in this fact book provides an overview of the University of Georgia using significant statistical data.

[FACT BOOK 2014](#)



[State of the University Address](#) – January 21, 2015

[2020 Planning Process](#)

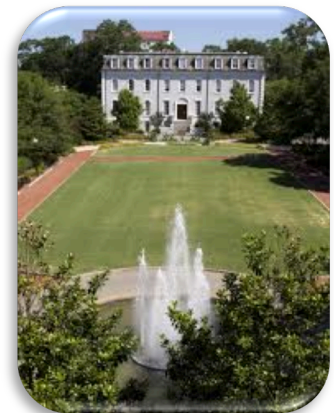
Through an inclusive, University-wide effort, the University of Georgia 2010-2020 Strategic Planning Committee examined the strategic framework of the University for the coming decade and identified seven strategic directions to focus institutional development from 2010-2020. Building on the framework of those seven strategic directions, the original plan was updated in 2012 by a team of faculty and administrator “champions.” The updated plan was approved by the University Council at its November 28, 2012, meeting.

**University of Georgia
2020 Strategic Plan
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[Annual Reports](#)

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UGA News – [UGA Today](#)



EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND HUMAN RESOURCES

The Employee Benefits links provide summary and detailed information about the various benefits plans offered by the University of Georgia. They allow employees to select options best suited for their needs and those of their eligible dependents.

[Health Insurance](#)

[Life Insurance](#)

[Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance](#)

[Retirement](#)

[Long term disability](#)

[\(529\) Higher Education Savings Plan](#)

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[Tax Deferred Savings Plan](#)

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