Looking for new board members

The PDA is seeking expressions of interest from current UGA postdocs to join the PDA board for the current 2020-2021 cycle and the 2021-2022 cycle. Please email the PDA (pdassoc@uga.edu) for further information.

Featured Announcements

Apply today to participate in the University of Utah
Grant Writing Coaching Group Study!

- Are you finding it challenging to learn the intricacies of writing NIH-style research proposals?
- Do you struggle with making a compelling case to reviewers for the importance of your research project?
- Are you having trouble getting consistent feedback from experts as you write research proposals?

If any or all of these apply to you, then consider applying for entry into the University of Utah Grant Writing Coaching Group Study.

**Applications for Cohort 4 are due by April 16, 2021.**

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**UGA Events and Opportunities**

**Professional Education Portal (PEP)**

The spring schedule includes virtual and in-person classes related to:
- Faculty Learning Series
- Certificate in Academic Advising
- Certificate in Diversity and Inclusion
- Emergency preparedness
- Supervisory and leadership skills
- Health and financial well-being

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**Office of Experiential Professional Development**

*The xPD program is designed to support career planning and is open to both graduate students and postdocs. While some information is aimed to support graduate students, many of the resources and topics covered by this office are applicable to postdocs. We highly encourage postdocs to utilize these on-campus resources, please see below for highlighted events and new resources:*

**Upcoming Events**
Social Media and the Job Search

**Date:** March 23, 2021  
**Time:** 5:00 pm until 6:00 pm  
**Location:** Virtual Venue (Online). Register via Handshake.

Do you feel confident in utilizing social media during the job search? What will an employer see when they search for you online? Join us to learn how to manage your online presence and leverage social media in your job search.

Careers in Agriculture (Industry Insiders)

**Date:** March 24, 2021  
**Time:** 12:30 pm until 1:30 pm  
**Location:** Virtual Venue (Online). Register via Handshake.

Are you considering a career in Agriculture? Attend this Industry Insiders event to hear from a panel of UGA Alumni as they share their career journey and helpful advice to students interested in working in the agriculture industry.

Postdocs are invited and welcome to all these events. The events calendar lists all events and any questions may be directed to Andrew Crain (acrain@uga.edu).

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**Office of Faculty Affairs**

The Office of Faculty Affairs supports faculty hiring, promotion and professional development at the University of Georgia.

The year-long **Keys to UGA: New Faculty Academy** continues in upcoming months. These orientations are geared to new faculty, but open to all.

- Friday, March 26, 11:30 am-1:30 pm: **Orientation to University Operations**

A number of opportunities are available for aspiring and current academic leaders:

**Leadership Luncheons**  
With guest speakers (lunches will be delivered to campus locations; open to 12 current leaders)
• Thursday, April 15, 11:30-12:30 pm: Leadership Luncheon with Qiana N. Wilson, Director of the Equal Opportunity Office

Promotion and Tenure sessions are as follows:

• Tuesday, March 30, 9:00-11:00 am: Promotion and Tenure Dossier Preparation Workshop

Administrative Memos are coordinated through the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost. For more information, contact Sam Fahmy at sfahmy@uga.edu.

Opportunities for Professional Development

Telling Your Research Story to Advance Your Project

Date: Wednesday, March 17, 2021  
Time: 9.00am until 10:30 am  
Facilitators: James E. Hataway, Media Relations Manager, Marketing and Communications

You talk about your work all the time, but you may not know how to present it in the most compelling light. Learn how to create a persuasive narrative that engages and inspires others. This fun, interactive session will give you a start on your journey to communicate with the general public about your work. You can use what you learn here to craft media communications.

Office of Research

Research Matters
The Office of Research hosts a listserv that shares large funding opportunities and internal competition announcements weekly as well as a calendar of current limited submissions opportunities.

All Funding
The Foundation Relations team
Foundation Relations Funding Opportunities - UGA Development & Alumni Relations

Limited Submissions
Limited Submissions – Research Matters (uga.edu)

Subscribe to Pivot
Pivot is a database of more than 25,000 funding opportunities from numerous sponsors across all disciplines. By signing up, you can create custom funding alerts, share opportunities with groups and save and track opportunities. Anyone with a UGA MyID can access this valuable resource.

Sign up for Weekly Funding Alerts
The Office of Research hosts a listserv that shares large funding opportunities and internal competition announcements weekly.

UGA Resources

Aurora via xPD
Video resource library for both faculty and professional career paths.

Interstride via UGA Career Center
Career development platform focused on International job searching and visa information

Other Opportunities

National Postdoctoral Association
The 19th Annual NPA Conference will be held in Philadelphia, PA, from April 16 - 18, 2021. Although the deadline has passed for abstract submission, part of this conference will have a virtual component. Further information can be found at the NPA website.
The Postdoc Academy: Succeeding as a Postdoc

The OPA will be hosting another Postdoc Academy series this Spring. Enrollment open and more details to follow soon. This is a 6-week online course, which will begin on **April 24, 2021**

The content uses inclusive, active-learning approaches to be a resource for the postdoc audience directly, as well as postdoc offices and associations. Registration will open in February.

Skills for Health and Research Professionals (SHARP) summer program at Columbia University’s Mailman School of Public Health provides 2-3 day training sessions which will run between June and August 2021 ([flyer here](#)). These sessions provide immediate take away skills for investigators at all career levels, from any institution.
This year, some exciting new topics have been added (Multi-omics, Environmental Justice, Python, Google Earth Engine, etc.) for a total of 18 live-stream summer trainings. Each training has scholarships for postdocs from any institution, with the first deadline around the corner on March 15th.

**Available Resources**

**UGA Postdoctoral Resources**
- UGA Postdoc Portal
- Office of Research
- Postdoc Policy
- UGA Research Funding Alerts & Announcements
- UGA Research News
- UGA Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate Programs

**UGA Office of Research**

**Research Matters**
Research Matters is a compilation of UGA research news items, including funding opportunities and other announcements, relevant to researchers, research administrators and their staff at the University of Georgia. Research Matters is disseminated monthly to subscribers.

**Research Matters Live**
The Office of Research will offer a series of remote presentations by Research administrators and personnel to help UGA researchers navigate the challenges that face them during this unprecedented time. These short, targeted Zoom sessions are intended to answer your questions without burdening your day—each presentation will last 15-20 minutes, with additional time for Q&A. Sessions are also archived for later viewing.

**Upcoming Events**
**Community-based participatory research: 3 – Matchmaking & community needs**

**Tuesday, April 6th at 1 p.m.**

**Presenters:**

- Kim Fowler, director, Human Subjects Office, Office of Research
- Alison Berg, associate professor and Extension nutrition & health specialist, College of Family & Consumer Sciences
- Sharon Liggett, operations coordinator, UGA Archway Partnership

**Description:** This is the third in a series of presentations about incorporating CBPR into your research program. This session will provide examples of how UGA researchers can recognize, address and meet the research community’s needs in their work. We recognize the importance of discussion about community needs, from methods of policy implementation to inclusion and representativeness. We will examine the components involved in matchmaking and gaining an understanding of community needs from a variety of research disciplines. We will discover ways for researchers and students new to community engagement to connect with these concepts.

**Register for Zoom session**

**UGA Postdoc Portal Career Development**

**Postdoc Fellowships and Positions**

- NIH Postdoctoral Training Opportunities
- NSF Opportunities for Postdoctoral Fellows
- Johns Hopkins University – Postdoctoral Funding Opportunities
  
  This is a continuously updated repository of federal and private funding opportunities that are intended for postdoctoral investigators. The opportunities are pre-sorted chronologically and alphabetically, and can be searched by funding amount and subject matter.

  - American Cancer Society
  - Nature Jobs
  - Science Careers AAAS
  - HigherEd Jobs
  - Internships and Fellowships in Science and Technology Policy

**Additional Postdoctoral Resources**

- National Postdoctoral Association
Diversity Resources

If you would like learn more about available UGA resources on campus concerning discrimination, diversity and disability services, the Office of Institutional Diversity at UGA can provide further information and links. The Office of Institutional Diversity (OID) leads the university in fulfilling its commitment to be a diverse campus that is enriched and informed by the personal, cultural, and intellectual differences of its students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Diversity resources available at UGA can be found here. The Office of Human Resources can also provide further information concerning disability services and accommodations at UGA as well as other work-related issues.

Minority Postdoc also provides a comprehensive collection of resource links, events and opportunities.

Upcoming Events

Women in the Workplace

Date: March 22nd, 2021
Time: 5:00 pm until 6:00 pm
Location: Virtual Venue (Online). Register via Handshake.

Get inspired and instantly empowered by a dynamic panel of women from a wide array of industries who will be discussing how their gender played a role in their career decision making, their shared gender struggles, work-life balance and how women can easily empower each other both professionally and personally.
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