Now Open: Merit Award Nominations

Merit award nominations are being accepted through March 17. This year, a category for Outstanding Team has been added. To find out more and to nominate a colleague or team, please visit the F&A recognition site.

LiveSafe App

The UGA Office of Emergency Preparedness and the UGA Police Department are collaborating to implement a mobile personal safety app called LiveSafe. The LiveSafe App is a communications platform that will allow UGA students, faculty, staff and visitors to access a wealth of mobile safety information and features. The LiveSafe app will be a free resource available to all UGA students, faculty, staff and visitors around the end of February. Detailed information will be distributed to the campus community when the app is released.

For more information visit, www.prepare.uga.edu.

UGA’s OneSource Project – Chart of Accounts Workshop February 22

UGA’s OneSource project has published a working version of the new chart of accounts. There will be a workshop for chief business officers on February 22 to gather best practices on the implementation of the new chart of accounts, ask questions and learn more. For the latest information on this workshop, please visit onesource.uga.edu.

LiveSafe Features

- Virtual “safe walk” timer
- Safety map
- Location sharing
- Safety tips
- Safety resources
- Emergency response protocol
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HUMAN RESOURCES TO OFFER HIGH IMPACT LEADERSHIP: ESSENTIALS
The program will be offered
once again this April through May. It is designed for and available to all employees, regardless of position, who wish to develop strong individual capacities for leadership. The program blends new tools and skills with opportunities for personal reflection to equip anyone to be a leader at any level.
Topics covered in the program include team-building, learning from senior UGA leaders, as well as a Hogan assessment and individual feedback session. Registration for the High Impact Leadership: Essentials program will open in mid-March and is filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Find more information on the Training & Development website: http://www.hr.uga.edu/leadership-development.
TATE LIGHTING PROJECT
New, environmentally-friendly lighting is coming to the Tate Student Center parking lot this Spring as a result of sustainability efforts.
Built in 2008, the Tate Student Center Parking Deck currently uses fluorescent lighting to illuminate the parking deck. With the installation of new state-of-the-art LED bulbs, the energy level per bulb is reduced to 24 watts per bulb, a 12 watt reduction from the old fluorescent bulbs.
“We are very diligent about being good stewards of our funding while also decreasing our environmental footprint and making the best decisions for our customers,” said Michael Cosby, assistant manager at UGA Transportation & Parking Services.
The installation of these new LED lights will make the parking deck three-times brighter using 1/3 less power, but still creating a well-lighted area for customers. As a result of the brighter bulbs, the parking deck will become safer for patrons as they enter and exit; there will be fewer shadows on the parking deck.
The lifespan of each bulb is 15-20 years which yields great cost savings for the department, as these bulbs are essentially maintenance-free. If the installation of these lights goes well in the Tate Deck, Transportation & Parking Services plans to move forward to implement them in the remaining parking decks.
GWNNE DARDA NAMED IN OFFICIAL ROLE
Gwynne Darden has been named associate vice president for facilities planning and University Architects. Darden oversees both the development of the university’s physical campuses and planning in the Office of University Architects to ensure that construction projects are compatible with the university’s physical master plan. She also helps locate appropriate sites for project construction and oversees the development of project designs.
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION & PARKING SERVICES
Don Walter has been named the director of UGA Transportation & Parking Services. Don has worked with Auxiliary Services at the university for over nine years.
Under Don’s leadership, Transportation & Parking Services has merged into a unified department and the department has made great strides in the industry, in service and to enhance sustainability.
2016 TREE CAMPUS USA RECOGNITION
For the seventh consecutive year, the University of Georgia has been recognized as a Tree Campus USA by the Arbor Day Foundation. The Tree Campus USA program recognizes college and university campuses that effectively manage their campus trees, develop connectivity with the community beyond campus borders to foster healthy, urban forests and strive to engage their student population utilizing service learning opportunities centered on campus and community forestry efforts.
Participation in this program acknowledges the importance of tree canopy to our university campus, which is designated as an arboretum. It reinforces our commitment to the proper stewardship of the university as a “living laboratory” and documents how UGA annually manages this resource to inspire, educate and serve as a bridge to all who love and support this university.
To read more about this award, please click here.
MORE UGAMART SHOPPING CHOICES
The Procurement Office continually seeks opportunities to enhance the shopping environment within UGAmart. To that end, several new punch-out catalogs including B&H Photo, Home Depot and Lowe’s, have been added. Now, the UGA community can easily browse products available from these contract vendors, add items to their shopping cart and have orders submitted to vendors with an abbreviated approval process. The Procurement Office encourages users to consider the products available from our contract vendors included in UGAmart to access great values and faster processing times.
BULLDOG PRINT + DESIGN RELOCATES
In early February, Bulldog Print + Design moved its printing operations from its longtime home at the Business Services Annex on Spring Street to a recently renovated space in the Administrative Services Warehouse on Atlanta Highway. The strategic move unites Bulldog Print + Design with Mail & Receiving Services, who merged approximately one year ago.
Continuing to focus on enhanced customer service and quality, Bulldog Print + Design added a new digital color printer to its new location and welcomed senior graphic designer Tim Welsh to the team. To ensure that your next project is a success, be sure to contact Tim and the Bulldog Print + Design team!
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF DINING SERVICES

Bryan Varin has been named the executive director of Dining Services. Bryan brings over twenty years of culinary and food service management experience in both the private sector and the university system with his new role with Dining Services.

Bryan most recently served as Interim Director of Dining Services, where he led the development of new meal plan options, revamped retail dining, oversaw multiple meal plan and retail construction projects and partnered with UGA departments to implement sustainable initiatives and provide additional services to the university community.

UGA’S ONESOURCE PROJECT - SIMPLER TRAINING

As part of UGA’s OneSource project, the Simpler Tool is being made available to UGA employees. There are several new instructional videos available on the Simpler Home Page at http://simpler.uga.edu (ArchPass required). Training classes are offered once each month through Training and Development. If you have eight or more users, OneSource can bring the training to you. Please contact OneSource through onesource@uga.edu. For more information, please visit onesource.uga.edu.

TERRY LEARNING COMMUNITY UPDATE

The third and final phase of the Terry College of Business Learning Community is now in design development at the Office of University Architects. The $42M project will add approximately 75,000 square feet of new building space, filling out the south end of the complex at the corner of Baxter Street and Lumpkin Street.

A variety of classroom, case study and lab spaces will add to the learning environments offered in the community, along with office space for academic departments, administration and support functions. The new facilities will be completed and open for instruction in 2019.

“Individual commitment to a group effort– that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work.”
- Vince Lombardi

FACULTY/STAFF GOLF CLINICS

The University of Georgia Golf Course staff will host free golf clinics for UGA faculty and staff on March 16 and 23 from 5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. with players from all skill levels welcomed to participate.

Each session will include long and short game instruction in putting, short game shots and the full swing.

To reserve a space, email PGA Golf Instructor Clint Udell at cudell96@uga.edu and indicate if you would like to borrow golf clubs for the clinic.

INSURANCE AND CLAIMS MANAGEMENT

The Insurance and Claims Management Department continues to help those affected by Hurricane Matthew return to work and normal activity. Hurricane Matthew was the first major hurricane for Southeast Georgia in over one hundred years and seven UGA locations on the Southeast Georgia Coast were impacted when it made landfall in October.

The Insurance and Claims Management Department is currently providing resolutions and restitution for the affected property and equipment that were damaged as a result of the hurricane.

UGA FACULTY, STAFF, OR STUDENT EMPLOYEES ALSO WORKING AT OTHER USG INSTITUTIONS

When individuals who work for UGA also work for another University System of Georgia (USG) institution, certain rules are in place to ensure the individuals are appropriately compensated and the proper benefits eligibility is applied to their employment.

Mike Gorman, the UGA Dual Appointment Coordinator in Human Resources, will help to determine if your situation falls under the USG Dual Appointment Policy and assist you in completing and routing the Dual Appointment Agreement. There are several sections to the agreement and several approvals required, including both USG institution presidents. Please plan accordingly because final approval can take several weeks.

Please contact Mike Gorman (mgorman@uga.edu / 542-7532) if:
1. A current UGA employee (student, staff, or faculty member) is interested in working for another USG institution or
2. A UGA unit is interested in hiring a current employee from another USG institution

You can find information about UGA dual appointments at:
http://www.hr.uga.edu/dual-appointment-information

You can find the USG Dual Appointment Policy at:
http://www.usg.edu/hr/manual/dual/appointments

ONESOURCE PROJECT: PREPARATION OF DEPARTMENTAL SYSTEMS

Discussions about preparing and readying departmental systems and/or business processes for the PeopleSoft transition are underway. Click here to find out more about these efforts.

IN MEMORY

For years, “Dan The Meal Plan Man” greeted visitors, helped students manage meal plan accounts and calmed the worries of many parents by assuring them that UGA Dining Services would provide a home away from home for their sons and daughters.

Charles Daniel “Dan” Bowdoin Jr. passed away on January 27, 2017. His dedication to his job, love for his students, appreciation for co-workers and adoration for his family, church and community made him who he was—respected, valued, treasured, appreciated and adored. He made a great impact on those around him through his infectious ability to see the good in everyone and everything.