Chartered by the state of Georgia in 1785, the University of Georgia is the birthplace of public higher education in America — launching our nation’s great tradition of world-class public education. What began as a commitment to inspire the next generation grows stronger today through global research, hands-on learning and extensive outreach. A top value in public higher education, Georgia’s flagship university thrives in a community that combines a culture-rich college town with a strong economic center.
ACCEPTED STUDENTS DAY

March 20, 2019

DEBORAH MARTINEZ, M.Ed. – GRADUATE SCHOOL RECRUITER
CONGRATULATIONS!
THE OFFICE OF RECRUITMENT & DIVERSITY INITIATIVES

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MISSION STATEMENT FOR OFFICE OF RECRUITMENT & DIVERSITY INITIATIVES

- The Graduate School promotes excellence in graduate education by recruiting and retaining top students to the University of Georgia. While striving to increase enrollment, the Graduate School seeks to embrace diversity and inclusion by growing the enrollment of first-generation students and students from historically underrepresented groups within their discipline.

- Every effort is made to facilitate a smooth transition for new graduate students from matriculation through graduation to heighten the graduate experience of all students. The Graduate School sponsors academic, professional, and social retention programs and activities, and serves as an advocate for students.
Terrell Hall, North Campus
grad.uga.edu

Graduate Student Services
1st floor, room 110

Recruitment & Diversity Initiatives
2nd floor, room 214
GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLMENT
7,030 students

(92) Doctoral Programs
(131) Masters Programs
(18) Dual Degree Programs
(170) Double Dawg Programs
(11) Online Programs
(12) Interdisciplinary Degree Programs
(20) Interdisciplinary Graduate Certificates
INCOMING STUDENTS “To-DO” LIST

Pre-Arrival Checklist
- Verification of Lawful Presence
- Contact your Department
- Final Admissions Information
- UGA MyID
- Housing
- Disability Resource Center
- Health Center Forms
- Parking Permit

http://grad.uga.edu/index.php/incoming-students/information-for-new-students/incoming-student-to-do-list
VERIFICATION OF LAWFUL PRESENCE

*Must be done in order to register for courses*

The University of Georgia must verify that you are lawfully present in the United States before allowing you to enroll.

**International Students**

In order to register for classes, International students must check-in online once physically present in the United States. [https://istart.uga.edu](https://istart.uga.edu)

Will need access to scanned copies of your passport ID page, US visa, I-94 information sheet (from [http://www.cbp.gov/i94](http://www.cbp.gov/i94)), and any other documents that are relevant to your immigration status.
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION

Register for International Student Orientation facilitated by UGA’s Office of International Student Life: August 4 - 9, 2019

- Information concerning immigration issues
- Taxes for nonresidents
- Cross-cultural adjustment
- Housing assistance
- Course registration procedures
- Social security cards
- UGA payroll

For more information and registration
https://isl.uga.edu/content_page/international-student-orientation-content-page
CONTACT DEPARTMENT

- Courtesy email
- Department-specific orientation activities
- Mentors or faculty advisors
- Listservs
- Registration information
- UGA ID card
FINAL ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Your official acceptance letter (from the Graduate School) may have indicated that you must send additional information.

Examples

Final Transcript

Proof of Degree
UGA MyID & EITS

- MyID will be automatically assigned after applying to UGA
- Sent to the email address you provided on your Graduate School application
- WiFi: PAWS-Secure

For more information visit: https://eits.uga.edu/access_and_security/myid
Certificate of Immunization & TB Screening Form is due prior to registering for classes.

https://uhs.uga.edu/
Phone: 706-542-8617
UGA HOUSING

- On-campus apartments are available for graduate students and families
- Rent includes
  - All utilities (water, power, cable, internet)
  - Laundry (either in unit or shared)
  - Access to 10’x10’ garden plot

https://housing.uga.edu/site/housing_family_graduate
UGA LIBRARIES

- Total of 4.6 million volumes and one of the nation’s largest map collections
- Access to over 48,000 electronic full-text journals & approximately 400,000 full-text-e-books
- The $43 million Zell B. Miller Learning Center is one of the largest & most technologically advanced facilities on an American university campus

**Principle facilities (main campus)**

- Main Library
- Science Library & Science Learning Center
- Special Collections Library
- University of Georgia Libraries
- Walter J. Brown Media Archives & the Peabody Awards Collection
- Zell B. Miller Learning Center
PARKING

- Apply for parking permit
  - Go to: tps.uga.edu
  - Enter vehicle information
  - Select your top choices for assigned lots
  - Payroll deduction is available
  - $20---$30---$40 per month

- Alternative Transportation Program
  Limited free parking for students using alternative transportation as primary means of transportation to campus
CAMPUS TRANSIT

UGA Transit:
- 11 Bus Routes
- Updates on Twitter (@UGATransit) and app, “UGA”
- Be aware of schedule
  - Night Service Weekend Service
  - Intersession Service
  - Finals Service
  - Summer Service
- Disability Van Services

Athens Transit:
- Students ride for FREE!
- Runs every hour
- 28 Routes

Questions:
- http://www.tps.uga.edu
- http://athenstransit.com/
UGA CARD

- Check with your department first - you may need a specific type of access

Bring

- $30 cash, check, or card
- Photo ID to 309 Tate Student Center (Spouses and dependents can get them, too)
- First-time ID Requests, one of the following is required: State-issued Driver’s License or ID, Passport, or Military ID
- After your UGACard is printed, a Technician will photograph your eyes to create a biometric iris image to be used for accessing the Dining Halls and the Ramsey Fitness Center
HEALTH INSURANCE

Mandatory Plan
- Certain graduate students are required to have health insurance. The mandatory plan can be waived if a student already has coverage.
- UGA contribution depends on qualified assistantship/fellowship

Voluntary Plan
- Non-mandated students may purchase coverage if enrolled in at least three (3) graduate level credits in a degree seeking program
- Students volunteering for coverage do not qualify for UGA contribution

https://hr.uga.edu/students/student-health-insurance/mandatory-plan/
GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

- Academic units at the university may employ graduate students in four types of graduate assistantships:
  1. Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTAs)
  2. Graduate Lab Assistantship (GLAs)
  3. Graduate Research Assistantship (GRAs)
  4. Graduate Research Fellow Assistantship (GRFAs)
  5. Monthly stipend

- Normal student fees apply – approximately $1866 per semester (as of Spring 2019)

- DEPARTMENTAL
- UGA GRADUATE SCHOOL
- STUDENT AFFAIRS
- OTHER SOURCES
GRADUATE SCHOOL RESOURCES

- Brown bags/workshops- writing, teaching, portfolios,
- Experiential Professional Development Workshops
- Emerging Leaders Program and other leadership opportunities
- Poster printing
- Financial Education Workshops
- Transition Workshops
- Other things Grad School offers during the year
MARK YOUR CALENDARS…

Graduate School Orientation

Monday, August 12th

Classic Center, Grand Hall
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