



Graduate School
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

GRADUATE EDUCATION AT UGA

Graduate education opens doors. UGA's graduate students are at the forefront of their fields, and joining them will position you for a successful and impactful career.

TOP
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AMONG THE NATION'S TOP PUBLIC COLLEGES 9 YEARS IN A ROW



90+

Doctoral Programs

140+

Master's Programs

75+

Graduate Certificates

35+

Online Degrees
and Certificates

6 LOCATIONS

Main Campus: Athens

Extended Campuses: Gwinnett, Griffin,
Tifton, Atlanta-Buckhead, Online

GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLMENT

2025-2026 Academic Year

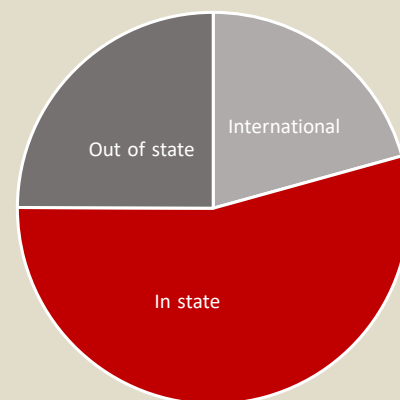
International: 1,936

In-state: 5,085

Out-of-state: 2,333

Total: 9,354

International students hail from
over 100 countries.



HOW WE RANK*



**BEST PUBLIC AFFAIRS
PROGRAMS -
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AND
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**



**BEST BUSINESS SCHOOL -
TERRY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS**



**BEST HIGHER EDUCATION
ADMINISTRATION
PROGRAMS - THE LOUISE
MCBEE INSTITUTE OF HIGHER
EDUCATION**



**MARY FRANCES EARLY
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

- Best Elementary Teacher Education Programs
- Best Secondary Teacher Education Programs
- Best Student Counseling Programs



**BEST SCHOOLS FOR SOCIAL
WORK - UGA SCHOOL OF
SOCIAL WORK**

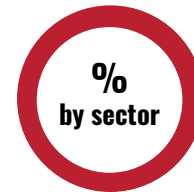
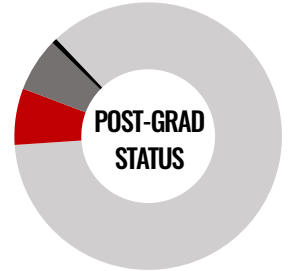
*Source: US News & World Report
Best Graduate Schools, 2025-26

ALUMNI PLACEMENT OUTCOMES

TOP 10 EMPLOYERS

- ➔ University of Georgia
- ➔ PricewaterhouseCoopers
- ➔ Emory University
- ➔ Ernst & Young
- ➔ Deloitte
- ➔ Piedmont Healthcare
- ➔ KPMG
- ➔ Wellstar Health System
- ➔ Georgia Institute of Technology
- ➔ Kennesaw State University / Publix

- Employed
- Continuing Education
- Seeking
- Not Seeking



54% Business/Industry
21% Higher Education
15% K-12 Education
6% Non-Profit
5% Government

93%

of UGA Graduate Students are employed within three months of graduation.

*Source: UGA Career Center

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

GRADUATE MENTORING CERTIFICATE FOR FACULTY

The UGA Graduate Mentoring Certificate program provides UGA faculty training in a nationally recognized curriculum designed to promote effective graduate student mentoring.

This mentoring series gives faculty the tools to become more impactful mentors - fostering growth, independence, and success in their graduate students.
grad.uga.edu/faculty-staff/mentoring

**GRADUATE
MENTORING
TRAINING**

**Certified
Mentor**

"I learned so much, and I am eager to become a better mentor!"

"Really great opportunity that I will encourage my colleagues to participate in!"



GRADUATE EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT BOARD

The GEAB supports Graduate School initiatives to provide financial support, professional development, and networking opportunities to graduate students across disciplines.

Members participate in biannual board meetings and on-campus events featuring graduate students and alumni.

SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS



The GradFIRST seminar series helps first year graduate students create supportive networks with peers and faculty while learning about expectations for graduate school. For more information, visit gradfirst.uga.edu.

STUDENTS ARE SAYING:

"I learned a lot about graduate school and research."

"The focus on communication and useful skills to graduate students was very helpful."

"The instructor was very engaging, and the class was very interactive. It also helped improve poster preparation and presentation skills."

GRADUP: BLUEPRINT FOR GRADUATE SUCCESS

GradUP is a one-stop destination for navigating resources for both students and programs. The GradUP blueprint complements academic program offerings and connects graduate students to essential resources – from academic support to professional development and well-being, empowering the journey and unlocking potential at every stage. Explore more at gradup.uga.edu.



**\$3.5
million**

Awarded to UGA
graduate students
in 2025–2026

GRADUATE SCHOOL FUNDING

DONOR-FUNDED FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS

72 students received
graduate school
scholarships and
fellowships

\$779,861

from the 25 endowed
awards in 2025–2026

GRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAMS

Receive funding to support their academic and professional goals with these competitive awards:

- Communication of Research and Scholarship Grant
- Conference Travel Grants
- 3MT® – Three Minute Thesis Competition
- Catalyzing Advocacy in Science and Engineering (CASE) Workshop
- Dissertation Completion Award

UGA STUDENT RECRUITMENT AWARDS

OVER
\$1.7 MILLION
in fellowship stipends

***185**
fellows in 2025–2026

EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

50+

Students received over \$1 million in external fellowships and grants to support their scholarship in 2025–2026. These include the NSF GRFP, NIH F31, Fulbright, and DOE CSGF.

GRAD LEAD

Student participants cultivate a network of support from peers and mentors, examine the intersection of identity and systems, reflect upon strengths and areas of improvement, and integrate learning into the design of a personal leadership action plan. Offered by the Graduate School and Engagement, Leadership, and ServiceD

"This was a great opportunity, and I feel like I was able to leave with some tangible skills, meet new people from many different departments, and feel like I am making a progressive step towards skills that I can use in my future career."



Three Minute Thesis, 3MT®, is a professional and highly engaging international research communication competition which requires contestants to explain their thesis or dissertation topic and its significance in three minutes or less using only a single static presentation slide.

FALL 2025 EVENT

72 Competitors
10 Finalists
3 Winners



Grand Prize, \$1000 – Anshul
Crop and Soil Sciences

Runner-up, \$750 – Asghar Sedaghat
Poultry Science

People's Choice, \$500 – Hadley Copeland
Wildlife Sciences

WHY GRADUATE EDUCATION AT UGA?



Jamie Jordan

Master's student
Department of Geography
Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

“There's just a breadth of opportunity at this school, particularly that you can't find at other schools, even within Georgia. As someone with wide-ranging interests this was a great place for me.”



ChaNae Bradley

Ph.D. student
Department of Workforce Education and Instructional Technology
Mary Frances Early College of Education

“I started off taking classes at the Griffin campus, which was convenient for me. It just was a good opportunity for me--it was convenient, and it was flexible for my lifestyle because I work full time.”



Taylor Medlock-Lanier

Ph.D. student
Department of Cellular Biology
Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

“UGA was my top choice--it was an umbrella program, so I could rotate in different departments and choose a lab based off of environment and fit and mentor.”

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



UGA graduate students are at the forefront of advances in their fields, and the Graduate School is here to support them in that journey. From the time you join us on the UGA campus, your in-depth disciplinary training will be complemented with opportunities to hone your skills in communication, leadership, and other critical skills that will position you to make an impact. While here, you will join an outstanding group of graduate students who contribute every day to the research, teaching, and service missions of the University, and we look forward to helping you achieve your goals.

– Anne Shaffer, Interim Dean of the Graduate School