

Diversity at UGA

News from the Office of Institutional Diversity at the University of Georgia

A message from Michelle Garfield Cook

Too often we think that we know our history. We have heard the stories and we feel as if there is nothing new to be learned from the retelling of historical narrative. But then we are surprised, stirred and moved when the story of history is shared by those who lived



it. We were fortunate enough to have that experience during the 2012 MLK Freedom Breakfast keynote address of Mrs. Billye Aaron. A noted television personality, philanthropist and the wife of baseball legend Hank Aaron, Billye Aaron had an incredible story, one that she had never publicly shared. We were all honored and humbled to have her recount her memories of Dr. King and that tumultuous time with us.

The three individuals who received the 2012 President's Fulfilling the Dream Award inspired us all by their commitment to their communities and their sustained efforts to bridge differences and build on common values and shared goals. Their hard work and impressive records of engagement and involvement have made our community richer and stronger. We applaud them!

In this newsletter we celebrate the many accomplishments of our students. From scholarship winners, to researchers, to students seeking to increase their global competency, UGA students are making their mark and making a difference. Their success assures us all that the next generation of leaders, researchers and policy makers will be well equipped to address the issues that will face our society in the future.

Faculty, staff and alumni also continue to do amazing things that impact and

Aaron recalls life, legacy of King at Freedom Breakfast

Billye Aaron, an advocate for higher education for African Americans and the wife of baseball legend Hank Aaron, said this year's Freedom Breakfast was about remembering the life and legacy of the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. when she delivered the keynote address at the 9th annual breakfast held at UGA in January.

Aaron, who spoke to a sold-out crowd of almost 600, recalled the first time she met the King family at their Birmingham home in 1959 followed by the tragic events in April 1968. She was among the first to arrive at the King home after the news broke that he had been shot in Memphis.

"The pain was just enormous, so much so that it was hard to breathe," said Aaron. "Although he is gone, his dream is very much alive. His work goes on, his cause endures. The dream shall never die."

Aaron called King "the quintessential prophet of the 20th century" and said that his words and deeds "continue to inspire, to uplift and to motivate people all over the world."

Aaron described the Freedom Breakfast as a time that "gives us pause to reflect on those individuals, who at great cost to themselves, made possible many of the things we now enjoy and take for granted."

The breakfast, which is co-sponsored by UGA, the Athens Clarke-County Unified Government and the Clarke County School District, included the presentation of the 2012 President's Fulfilling the Dream Awards given to those who have made a difference in the local community.

This year's recipients are **Attawa Childres**, who recently retired from UGA's Office of the Vice President for Research after 30 years of service; **Roberta Gardner**, a doctoral student in language and literacy education; and **Corey Johnson**, an associate professor and graduate coordinator in the department of counseling and human development services. Both Gardner and Johnson are in UGA's College of Education. For almost 30 years, Childres has worked with the Athens Area Teen Pageant, a community service-based mentoring program for young African-American women. Gardner has worked with The Prodigy Project in Atlanta, a literacy-based mentoring program for young African-American boys. Johnson was recognized for his efforts to create safer environments for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth in institutional settings.



Michelle Garfield Cook (left) with speaker Billye Aaron; award recipients Attawa Childres, Roberta Gardner and Corey Johnson; UGA first lady Mary Adams; and Clarke County School District superintendent Philip Lanoue.

Student News

Vet student works with rhinos through international internship

UGA veterinary student **Jasmyn Virgo** had the opportunity to participate in an international summer externship program in 2009 and 2010 thanks to a partnership between UGA's College of Veterinary Medicine and Kruger National Park in South Africa.

Virgo conducted research on stress endured by the African white rhinoceros during capture. She described her experiences in the latest issue of the College of Veterinary Medicine's alumni magazine, *Aesculapian*.

"This externship has allowed me to immerse myself in a variety of environments — cultural, social and professional — that have helped me to become a well-rounded individual and will benefit me in my future as I work to become successful in veterinary medicine," she wrote.

Read more in the winter/spring issue: www.vet.uga.edu/PR/archive/2012-spring-aesculapian.pdf.

Scholarship program helps students achieve doctorates

Bridg'ette Israel is one of five UGA students who graduated with doctoral degrees as participants in the Bridges to the Doctorate program and as UGA Sloan Scholars. She was the subject of a recent article in the winter issue of the *UGA Graduate School Magazine* (issuu.com/ugagradstudies/docs/wintermag12/1).

The Sloan Fellows program began in 1999 after UGA pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences professor Anthony Capomacchia submitted a proposal to the Sloan Foundation in support of minority graduate education.

With the expectation that Capomacchia, now director of the program at UGA, continued to recruit one minority student per year, the Sloan Foundation would fund up to five students through a fellowship that helps defray costs such as tuition, housing, books and research travel. The Sloan Foundation has funded, in part, 40 UGA doctoral students since its inception.

Peach State LSAMP Scholar blazes trail as young scientist at UGA

Daniel Piqué, a UGA senior who is pursuing a bachelor's degree in genetics, is taking advantage of many undergraduate research opportunities at UGA. He is a scholar in the Peach State Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (Peach State LSAMP), a National Science Foundation-funded collaborative effort sustained by a coalition of seven colleges and universities in Georgia, including UGA, to significantly increase the number of underrepresented minority students statewide who complete undergraduate degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields.



Piqué, who is from Augusta, has received numerous awards and honors including Dean's List, President's List, 2010 Leadership Alliance Scholar, 2011 Amgen Scholar, as well as research presentation and travel awards from national conferences.

Piqué also is involved with UGA's Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities and has conducted research in laboratories in the department of genetics and the department of cellular biology at UGA, the Developmental Biology Program at the Sloan-Kettering Institute, and the Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Stanford School of Medicine.

Piqué was recently selected as a scholar in the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) of the National Institutes of Health Intramural NIAID Research Opportunities (INRO) program.

As an INRO scholar, Piqué is one of 20 nationwide awardees and the first undergraduate from UGA to receive a one-year post-baccalaureate traineeship at any laboratory within the NIAID, the second-largest institute of the National Institutes of Health.

Piqué attended a fully funded four-day program designed to acquaint INRO scholars with the intramural training opportunities available at the National Institutes of Health in February. Piqué would like to pursue an M.D./Ph.D. program after completing the post-baccalaureate traineeship.

For more information about Peach State LSAMP, visit www.plsamp.uga.edu.

'Double Dawg' chose UGA for its research opportunities and top faculty

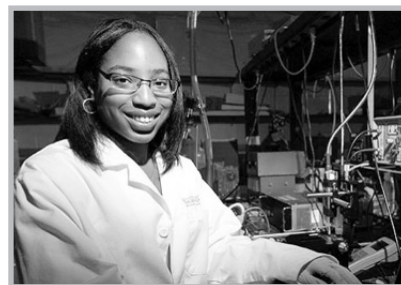
With a passion for research and nanoscale science, **Whitney Ingram** is pursuing a Ph.D. in physics after earning a bachelor's degree in that field.

Ingram has spent her fair share of time in a laboratory during her undergraduate days at UGA and now as a doctoral student and says that her choice to attend the same university for both degrees came down to the research opportunities and top faculty in her field of study.

Ingram, who is from Stone Mountain, discussed her UGA experiences in an 'Amazing Student' profile that was featured on the UGA homepage.

"As an undergraduate I chose this school because I wanted to stay in state and live away from the city while experiencing UGA's excellent reputation in academics," she wrote. "As a graduate student, I chose UGA because it has a strong graduate program, and I enjoyed the program and knew the professor I wanted to work with in the physics department."

To read more about Ingram's story, visit uga.edu/amazing/profile/ingram-whitney.



Student News

Goldwater Scholar divides time between research and parkour

Amar Mirza, who will graduate from UGA in the summer with a bachelor's degree in biochemistry and molecular biology, has two passions — biomedical research and parkour or freerunning. In a recent 'Amazing Student' profile that was featured on the UGA homepage (www.uga.edu/amazing/profile/mirza-amar), Mirza described how these two very different activities have shaped his experiences at UGA.



Mirza, who won a 2011 prestigious Goldwater Scholarship, has been conducting research in the biochemistry and molecular biology laboratory of Natarajan Kannan since his freshman year, including a 2009 summer fellowship through UGA's Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities. Focused on various aspects of the structure and function of protein kinases, a family of proteins that has mutated in cancer, Mirza has been an author on four research publications.

Mirza wrote in his profile how his first publication was one UGA experience he will always remember. "A lot of times people think of science as a cold and emotionless field, but that opinion is often based on their bad experiences in the classroom," he said. "When doing research yourself, you begin to understand that science is not what you read in a book. Science is the process of finding the answers to the biggest questions there are."

Mirza also wrote about how parkour, or freerunning through an urban environment as quickly as possible, has influenced the way he approaches life. He said that since parkour involves vaulting, running, jumping, climbing and rolling, many people often consider it an extreme sport, when it is the opposite.

"Parkour is a thought process," Mirza explained. "When confronted with a daunting obstacle, it is natural to be afraid. It is natural to say it is dangerous and should be left alone. Parkour teaches you to confront that fear and instead develop a training method to surmount the obstacle. In parkour, it is the challenge which gives our movement meaning."

Global Leadership Institute teaches UGA students about global competency and internationalization

Since 2007 University of Georgia students have had the opportunity to participate in the Global Leadership Institute created by the International Student Life Office, a unit of Intercultural Affairs in the Division of Student Affairs. The Global Leadership Institute provides a series of internationally-focused seminars offered every semester to enable UGA students to fine tune skills in the areas of global competency and internationalization.

Participants attend interactive workshops that teach foundational information concerning global leadership and cross-cultural competencies. Specialized seminars have also been created based on student interests and needs.

The Global Leadership Institute focuses on providing UGA students an opportunity to become engaged in the global community by learning how to become global citizens.

The institute is intended for currently enrolled UGA students who are interested in gaining international experience and learning more about the world and is free. Participants who attend a certain percentage of the institute's seminars receive a certificate of completion at the end of the semester.

For more information on the Global Leadership Institute, contact International Student Life at 706/542-5867.

Seven UGA students to participate in National Conference on Undergraduate Research in March

A diverse group of UGA students who participate in undergraduate research have been selected from more than 3,500 submissions to present at the 2012 National Conference on Undergraduate Research at Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, March 29-31.

The national conference promotes undergraduate research, scholarship, and creative activity in all fields of study.

The annual conference gives undergraduate scholars from all types of institutions of higher learning a forum to share the results of their work through posters, presentations, performances and works of art.

All abstracts underwent a rigorous review by a panel of faculty reviewers who cited the UGA projects as unique research contributions to their respective fields of study. The topics of the projects ranged from examining the preservation of Georgia's waterways to studying cancer stem cells.

The UGA student presenters and their areas of focus are: **Pranay K. Udutha**, ecology; **Nisarg Patel**, infectious diseases; **Anita Bhagavathula**, genetics; **Sarah-Bianca Dolisca**, biochemistry and molecular biology; **Lindsey Megow**, veterinary medicine; **Daniel Smith**, art; and **Sam Hempel**, biochemistry and molecular biology.

While at UGA, the students have been involved with the Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities (CURO), which was created in the late 1990s through a federal grant from the Fund for Improvement of Postsecondary Education.

CURO promotes and supports undergraduate research through a variety of activities, including introductory research seminars and forums, faculty-guided year-long or summer inquiry projects, and conference presentations and published scholarly works.

For more information about CURO, visit www.curo.uga.edu.

Faculty & Staff News

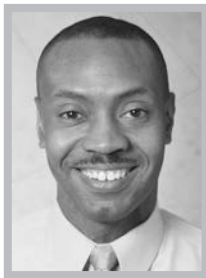
McCaskill receives archives award

Barbara McCaskill, an associate professor of English, was one of two UGA winners of a state Excellence in Research Using the Holdings of an Archives Award presented by the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Board. McCaskill, who was recently featured in UGA's Focus on Faculty series (www.uga.edu/faculty/profile/barbara-mccaskill), was recognized for outstanding efforts in archives and records work in Georgia.



Shepherd is AMS president-elect

Marshall Shepherd, professor of geography in UGA's Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, is now serving a one-year term as president-elect of the American Meteorological Society (AMS). Shepherd, who directs the university's Atmospheric Sciences Program, will assume the presidency of the society in 2013. AMS has a membership of more than 14,000 professionals, students and weather enthusiasts.



Bailey recognized for social justice

UGA counseling and human development services professor **Deryl Bailey** has received the 2011 Courtland C. Lee Social Justice Award from the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. He was honored for creating and directing Empowered Youth Programs, which has won various state, regional and national professional counseling awards over the past several years.



English professor named director of African American Studies

Valerie Babb has been appointed director of the Institute for African American Studies in UGA's Franklin College of Arts and Sciences. A professor of English and African American Studies, Babb was previously a professor at Georgetown University. She continues as a faculty member of the Bread Loaf School of English at Middlebury College.



"The IAAS is one of UGA's premier units for engaging in the contemporary exchange of ideas across disciplines," said **Hugh Ruppensburg**, interim dean of the Franklin College. "Dr. Babb's scholarship in American literature and culture will be a vital contribution to the intellectual history that serves as the basis for the institute."

Originally founded as Afro-American Studies in 1969, the Institute for African American Studies was formally established in 1992. The institute's focus on research, students and community involves offering new courses and developing new programs of study with efforts to establish and reinvigorate community collaborations across UGA and beyond.

Babb received her bachelor's degree at Queens College, the City University of New York; and her M.A. and Ph.D. at the University at Buffalo, the State University of New York. Among her publications are *Whiteness Visible: The Meaning of Whiteness in American Literature and Culture*, *Black Georgetown Remembered* and *Ernest Gaines*.

"To continue the institute's traditions, I look forward to growing the major and making more students aware of the diversity of career opportunities available in the academy, public and private cultural institutions, governmental agencies and non-profits," said Babb.

CAES professor's scholarship and research inspire her teaching

Maria Navarro, an associate professor in UGA's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, is passionate about teaching and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students. She has worked in many countries on projects related to hunger and poverty and brings this international experience to her UGA classes. Navarro was recognized for her efforts last fall when she received the Early Career Teaching Faculty Award at the college's annual awards ceremony.

A 2007 recipient of the President's Fulfilling the Dream Award, Navarro was one of several faculty featured recently in UGA's Focus on Faculty series (www.uga.edu/faculty/profile/maria-navarro). In her profile, she described how her research inspires her teaching.

"My scholarship is focused on teaching and learning methodologies, and on lessons learned from development programs," she wrote. "That helps me to improve my own teaching and gives me plenty of case studies and personal stories for my courses. In turn, my teaching also inspires my research, and helps me to stay grounded and maintain an open-ended, multidisciplinary perspective."

Navarro has developed and taught courses in international agriculture, poverty and hunger issues, development, leadership and agricultural education, both on campus and abroad.

A UGA faculty member since 2005, Navarro also teaches for the Honors Program, the Certificate of International Agriculture, the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute and the African Studies Institute.



Faculty & Staff News

Cook named to permanent institutional diversity post at UGA

Michelle Garfield Cook, who has served as interim associate provost for institutional diversity at UGA since May 2011, has been appointed to the post on a permanent basis.

Cook has been leading the university's Office of Institutional Diversity as interim associate provost since Cheryl Dozier stepped down to become interim president of Savannah State University. An internal search was conducted to fill the associate provost position.

"Dr. Cook has done an outstanding job during her service as the interim associate provost, and I am very pleased she has agreed to take on this key administrative post on a permanent basis," said **Jere Morehead**, senior vice president for academic affairs and provost, to whom Cook reports.

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As interim associate provost, Cook worked with other campus units to launch new projects involving faculty and staff such as a certificate program in diversity and inclusion; a seed grant program to stimulate more diversity- and inclusion-related research; and the creation of an international diversity award. A video also was developed for incoming undergraduate students that can be used in First-Year Odyssey courses.

"I am incredibly honored to serve the University of Georgia as associate provost for institutional diversity," Cook said. "I believe that, as an institution, we are poised to do some exciting things to enhance diversity, and this will only strengthen the academic and intellectual enterprise here at UGA."

Cook previously served as associate dean of UGA's Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, where she was primarily responsible for student academic affairs within the college. She has taught in the history department and is currently teaching a directed studies course for the Institute for African American Studies.

Cook holds a bachelor's degree in history from Princeton, a master's in African-American Studies from Yale and a doctorate in history from Duke.

Cook also has served as co-principal investigator for the Peach State Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation, a National Science Foundation-sponsored program that aims to significantly increase the number of underrepresented minorities pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. She has been lead co-principal investigator during her interim appointment.

New international diversity award recognizes UGA faculty/staff



The Office of International Education and the Office of Institutional Diversity have created a new award to honor a faculty or staff member who has shown dedication to promoting diversity in its many forms within international populations and activities at the University of Georgia.

Recipients may be honored for a variety of activities including recruiting students from underrepresented populations for study abroad; educating international students about U.S. cultural, ethnic, religious or other forms of diversity; increasing the inclusion of students with disabilities in a variety

of international activities; bringing attention to international and comparative aspects of courses or co-curricular activities devoted to diversity. The first award will be given out in the spring.

Seed grant program established

The Research in Diversity Seed Grant (RIDSG) program was recently created as a collaboration between the Office of the Vice President for Research and the Office of Institutional Diversity at UGA.

The aim of this collaboration is to stimulate more diversity- and inclusion-related research at UGA by funding competitive internal grants to support initial work by early career faculty or to support a new emphasis on research into diversity and inclusion by established faculty.

Ideal seed grant proposals will be interdisciplinary, drawing upon the diverse disciplines and breadth of knowledge across the institution.

Research proposals that have as their central focus topics that are related to race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or disability are welcomed.

Program support will be provided with the expectation that principal investigators will subsequently seek extramural funding and also provide a brief report describing research results as well as efforts to obtain extramural funding.

Research grant proposals will be evaluated according to scholarly merit and broader impact; research design and methodological framework; potential for extramural funding; interdisciplinary nature of the project; and budget justification and timeline.

All grant proposal requests will be reviewed and evaluated by a special committee comprised of faculty across campus. RIDSG awards will be decided within six weeks and funds will be available as of July 1 with the expectation that funds be spent within the fiscal year. The awards include up to \$2,000 and proposals are due April 2.

In order to track the impact of seed grant funding, participants are required to provide a report, within one month of the end of the 12-month award period, summarizing what has been accomplished during the grant period.

For more information, visit diversity.uga.edu/programs/research_in_diversity_seed_grant.

Alumni News

Manns honored by BET for being a positive role model for young women

Dyci Manns (BA '11) was one of four women under age 25 recently honored on BET's Black Girls Rock! awards show that aired in November. The Atlanta native is the founder and executive director of MODEL26, a non-profit organization that connects young people with volunteer opportunities that reduce poverty and educational disparities.



"I'm excited about the exposure that this award brings to MODEL26," said Manns. "I hope it will encourage young people to visit our website (*model26.org*), learn more about the work we do and support us as we continue to grow."

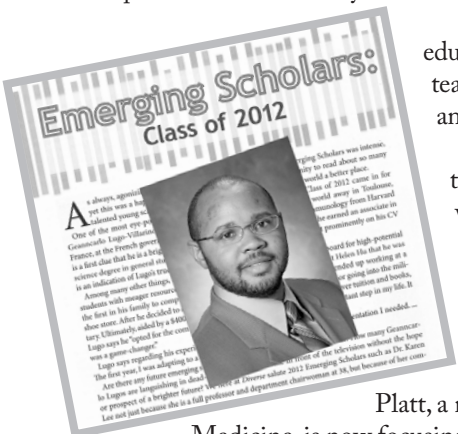
MODEL26 (Making Opportunities by Developing Emerging Leaders) is named after Article 26 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which states that everyone has the right to education.

Manns' inspiration for the organization came from a 2008 study abroad trip to Belize when she saw school children erasing all the work in their composition books from the previous year because they couldn't afford a new notebook. After two years of research, Manns founded Bookbags with Basics, which collected book bags with school supplies for more than 1,000 students in Nicaragua, Uganda and the U.S. within a six-month period.

Despite its success, Manns realized that providing school supplies would not be enough to break the poverty cycle and therefore restructured to form MODEL26. Since its founding at UGA, MODEL26 has established a presence at Louisiana State University, Clark Atlanta University, the University of Maryland, the University of Florida, Hope College, Purdue University and the University of Central Florida.

Research scientist named 'Emerging Scholar' by Diverse magazine

Franklin West (PhD '08), assistant professor of animal and dairy science in UGA's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, was recently named one of the nation's top scholars under 40 by *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education* magazine.



The scholars were selected for their research, educational background, publishing record, teaching record, competitiveness of field of study and uniqueness of field of study.

West, who is on the steering committee for the UGA Regenerative Bioscience Center, works closely with center director Steve Stice, a Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar. They recently discovered that pluripotent stem cells can be used in pigs without causing tumors.

His research, with collaborator Simon Platt, a neurosurgeon in UGA's College of Veterinary Medicine, is now focusing on how pig stem cells can develop into cells of the central nervous system to ultimately help patients who have suffered from stroke or traumatic brain injury. To date, there is only one FDA approved treatment for stroke and none for traumatic brain injury.

Prior to joining the faculty at UGA in 2009, West was a consultant with Aruna Biomedical, an Athens-based biotechnology company.

Kimbrough named to lead Dillard

Walter M. Kimbrough (BSA '89) has been chosen by Dillard University's board of trustees to lead the institution as its seventh president, effective July 1. He has served as president of Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Ark. for the past seven years. Founded in 1869, Dillard is a fully accredited private, historically black university in New Orleans.



Walter receives new alumni award

Donna Walter ('97 MSW, '13 EdD) was honored as the inaugural recipient of the Jim Dodd Award at UGA's School of Social Work awards banquet and is featured on the fall 2011 cover of the school's alumni magazine.



Walter was recognized for her meritorious leadership, initiative, dedication and loyalty to the School of Social Work. She currently is the principal associate and chief executive officer of Live Full Leave Empty, Inc., a minority-owned company specializing in consultative and training services for organizations.

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Twigg publishes art book

Leo Twigg, (EdD '70) the first African American to receive a doctorate in art education from UGA, recently published

Messages from Home: The Art of Leo Twigg, a new comprehensive collection of his artwork spanning a 40-year career. The full-color, coffee table style book includes more than 150 reproductions of his paintings, as well as personal essays and family photos. Twigg is professor emeritus at South Carolina State University.



Campus News

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improve the larger world in which we live. Their national and international accolades are a sampling of the significant contributions that are being made by individuals affiliated with UGA.

As I move into the permanent role of associate provost for institutional diversity, I am pleased to reflect on what we have accomplished as an institution. Diversity is everywhere at the University of Georgia. Can we do more? Of course we can. Should we do more? We most definitely will.

I am pleased to say that we have gotten off to a very strong start by collaborating with other units on campus to launch several new projects. The certificate program in diversity and inclusion for faculty and staff offered through a partnership with Human Resources has met immediate success with a current array of courses that filled immediately.

The Research in Diversity Seed Grant program offered in cooperation with the Office of the Vice President for Research will hopefully stimulate more diversity and inclusion related research among faculty at UGA. And the International Diversity Award in partnership with the Office of International Education will recognize those who are promoting diversity through internationalization efforts.

This is only the beginning of what we can and will do as a community to insure that diversity is infused into every area of our campuses.

Billye Aaron's Freedom Breakfast address, while reflecting on past experiences, also challenged us to look forward with a new commitment to contribute positively to our communities in ways that honor the sacrifices and struggle of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the many others who have gone before us. As Dr. King said, "The time is always right to do what is right." Let us continue to work together as a community to recognize that now is our time to do the right thing in strengthening, celebrating and valuing the diversity that is UGA.

Training and Development offers certificate in diversity, inclusion

UGA faculty and staff can now enroll in a certificate program focused on diversity and inclusion, thanks to a partnership among the Office of Institutional Diversity, Human Resources' Training and Development Center and other diversity-related offices and programs across UGA.

"The diversity and inclusion certificate will enable university faculty and staff to learn more about the various aspects of diversity on our campuses and throughout our society," said **Michelle Garfield Cook**, associate provost for institutional diversity. "We want to make sure that everyone at UGA has the tools and knowledge necessary to create a welcoming and inclusive community for all."

Participants in the program, which was launched in early February, must successfully complete one core course and five electives to earn the certificate. They can choose to complete the certificate requirements or only enroll in courses that match their interests.

Although all courses are free, participants must register online for the individual courses through the Training and Development Center (www.hr.uga.edu/careerdev/career.html). Course descriptions and more details are available online at diversity.uga.edu/news/releases/uga_diversity_and_inclusion_certificate/.

Lecture series brings civil rights icons to UGA

UGA's School of Social Work is currently hosting a lecture series that brings leaders and historians of the civil rights movement to campus. The lectures are part of the spring course "The Civil Rights Movement and the Practice of Social Work" taught by **Obie Clayton Jr.**, UGA's inaugural Donald L. Hollowell Professor of Social Justice and Civil Rights Studies. The School of Social Work recently established the professorship in honor of Hollowell, the civil rights attorney who fought to desegregate UGA.

The lecture series began with speakers **Preston King**, a prolific and widely respected political philosopher and civil rights icon, and **Lonnie C. King, Jr.**, a founding member of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee.

Earl Lewis, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and the Asa Griggs Candler Professor of History and African-American Studies at Emory University, will present the last lecture on March 6 at the Georgia Museum of Art.

For more information, visit ssw.uga.edu/civilrightslectures.html.

Giving to the Office of Institutional Diversity

A contribution to the Office of Institutional Diversity (OID) will foster the financial support of a wide variety of initiatives to address diversity at UGA. OID provides and supports programming, such as recruitment and retention efforts, diversity scholarship funding, diversity and inclusion workshops, and faculty and student mentoring events. **If you would like to discuss ways to give, please contact our office at 706-583-8195; we will work with you to ensure your charitable giving needs are met.** To find out more about giving to OID, visit our website at diversity.uga.edu/about/giving_to_diversity.

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The University of Georgia is committed to principles of equal opportunity and affirmative action.

Upcoming Events

Women's History Month: March

Campus events with keynote address by Elizabeth Tisdell, Pennsylvania State. Details: iwvs.uga.edu.

Darl Snyder Lecture

Speaker: Art Dunning, University of Alabama System. 3/6, 10 a.m., Georgia Center.

Holmes-Hunter Lecture:

Speaker: Kasim Reed, Atlanta mayor. 3/7, 2 p.m., UGA Chapel.

UGA College of Education's Dean's Council on Diversity Seminars

3/1: Diverse Meanings: COE Grad Students' Conversations About Diversity, Lauren Moret, Ann Blankenship, Casie Nauman, Edward Joaquin, Mike Smith & Ain Grooms, Ph.D. students, education, 135 River's Crossing.
3/21: Preparing Pre-service Teachers to Educate All Students: The Role of Multicultural Mathematics Dispositions, Dorothy White & Victor Brunaud-Vega, faculty, mathematics & science education, G23 Aderhold Hall. Both seminars at noon.

For more events, see calendar.uga.edu.

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Institute for Women's Studies Friday Speaker Series

3/2: The Oblate Sisters of Providence During the Civil War Era, Diane Morrow, history.
3/23: Educators for Everyday Life: Leila Ritchie Mixe & Jessie Julia Mixe, Empowering Women in Her Generation, Sharon Nickols & Melissa Wilmarth, family & consumer sciences.
3/30: Women in Medicine: A Generation of Change, Barbara Schuster, GHSU/UGA Medical Partnership.
4/6: Annual Andrea Carson Coley Lecture
4/13: The Dangers of "Investable" Children: Georgia's Unilateral Childcare & a Solution that Misses the Point, Brooke Schueneman, philosophy.
12:20 p.m., 250 Miller Learning Center.

APER0 Africana Brown Bag Lecture Series

Sponsored by UGA's Institute for African American Studies, African Studies Institute & African American Cultural Center.
3/21: I am Forever: Interpreting Black Family Life and Community in Historic Brattonville, S.C., Lisa Bratton, Institute for Behavioral Research.
4/4: Black Women's Experiences at Women's Colleges, Marian Higgins, Career Center.
4/18: Experiences of Black Science Education Faculty Members in Higher Education in the U.S., Mary Atwater, education.
12:15 p.m., 407 Memorial Hall.

Getzen Lecture: Government Accountability

Speaker: Cynthia Tucker, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. Sponsor: UGA's School of Public and International Affairs. 3/1, 3 p.m., UGA Chapel.

Delta Prize for Global Understanding Interview with 2012 recipient

3/16, 3 p.m., Masters Hall, Georgia Center. Details: 706-542-3966.

Willson Center for Humanities & Arts Reading

Judith Ortiz Cofer, UGA, 3/29, 4 p.m., 265 Park Hall.

Mary Frances Early Lecture

Details: www.grad.uga.edu/mfe-lecture/index.html

Lecture: Daphne Brooks, English and African American Studies Professor, Princeton

Sponsors: Franklin College Office of Diversity Inclusion and Leadership, English, history, Institute for Women's Studies, Institute for African American Studies, Hodgson School of Music, & English professors Barbara McCaskill, Roxanne Eberle & Jed Rasula at UGA. 4/6, 5 p.m., 265 Park Hall.

UGA Intercultural Affairs UGA Safe Space Program

Orientation to raise awareness and knowledge of LGBTQ issues and ways to serve as allies. Details: lgbtcenter.uga.edu/safespace/become.html.

Lavender Graduation

Details: lgbtcenter.uga.edu/students/graduation.html.

Rite of Sankofa

Sponsored by UGA's African American Cultural Center, it is a celebration and an African rites of passage ceremony open to all UGA graduates to honor their accomplishments. Details: aacc.uga.edu/about/index.html.