

The Graticule Weekly

UGA Geography's Weekly Newsletter



FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

Xiaobai Angela Yao Named Editor-in-Chief of CaGIS Journal



UGA Geography professor Xiaobai Angela Yao has been named the Editor-in-Chief of The Cartography and Information Society's journal, Cartography and Information Science (CaGIS). According to the CaGIS website, "The Cartography and Geographic Information Society supports research, education, and practices that improve the understanding, creation, analysis, and use of maps and geographic information."

The society serves as a forum for the exchange of original concepts, techniques, approaches, and experiences by those who design, implement, and use geospatial technologies through the publication of authoritative articles and international papers. The role of the CaGIS journal is to facilitate these objectives by disseminating results and reports in these areas of interest."

In a recent press release, CaGIS shared the following on Dr. Yao's selection: "The Cartography and Geographic Information Society is pleased to announce the selection of Dr. Xiaobai Angela Yao as Editor-in-Chief for its journal, Cartography and Geographic Information Science. Dr. Yao is a professor in the Department of Geography at the University of Georgia and has been actively serving as an Associate Editor with Dr. Eric Delmelle, the current Editor-in-Chief of the CaGIS journal. She also recently served (2020-2024) in the CaGIS Officer rotation and was co-Program Chair of the AutoCarto 2022 conference. Dr. Yao will assume the duties of the Editor-in-Chief position on October 1, 2025."

[Learn more about Dr. Yao here!](#)

AAG SPRING BOOK LIST NOMINATIONS



The American Association of Geographers is compiling a list of around 50 recent geographic publications to highlight for this spring's official Book List, and the opportunity has been extended for UGA students, faculty and staff to OFFICIALLY nominate their favorite book to be featured!

If you or someone you know have read any interesting, though-provoking, exciting, or otherwise cool books in the world of geography recently, please fill out the form below!

[Learn More & Nominate a Book Here!](#)

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UPCOMING DEFENSES



Molly Azami
Oral Comp Exam
 February 20, 2025
 8:00am, GGY 147



Esther Lin
Proposal Defense
 February 20, 2025
 12:30pm, GGY 147



Jielu Zhang
Dissertation Defense
 April 4, 2025
 12:00pm, GGY 147



Xin Yan
Comprehensive Exam
 April 18, 2025
 10:00am, GGY 147

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



February 26
 MLC 248
 3:30 pm

All are invited to join Dean Anna Stenport for conversation and college updates. This event will take place in the Miller Learning Center Room 248.



April 23
 Geography Bldg.
 Room 200D

Our 2025 Geography Undergraduate Awards Reception will take place on Wednesday, April 23rd. Award nominations are open now! See the next page for info on nominating.



May 9
 Location TBD
 11:00 am

Our 2025 Geography Graduation Ceremony will take place on Friday, May 9th at 11 am. More information about location, ticketing, & more coming soon.



Prioritize Your Well Being:

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OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Fame! Fortune! Geography Awards](#)

It's awards season again in the Geography Department. We're now accepting applications for our departmental awards for undergraduates. There are seven awards available (listed below).

To nominate or be nominated, follow these links:

- To nominate yourself: <https://forms.gle/Jhe3HRMTXRC6fmdb8>
- To nominate someone else: <https://forms.gle/SWCYtZMhyJ5v7Kvr9> (They will be invited to confirm the nomination by completing the self-nomination form.)

Third year awards

Merle C. Prunty Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship (\$500): This scholarship is awarded to the top third year in recognition of outstanding academic performance.
Department of Geography Atlas Award (\$100 + an atlas, 2 awardees): Given to two top third year students in recognition of their academic excellence.

Senior Awards

NCGE/AAG Outstanding Senior Award (\$500): For the most outstanding graduating fourth year student.
Globe Award for Academic Accomplishment (\$250 plus a small globe, 2 awardees): For graduating fourth year students with strong records of academic achievement

General awards

Department of Geography Alumni Award (\$100, 3 awardees): To students in recognition of departmental citizenship
DeVorse Travel Award (2 awards, \$250 each): Supporting travel to an academic event or for research purposes. Named in honor of Louis DeVorse, a former member of the department.
ECO (Engagement and Community Outreach) Award (2 awards of \$300, voted on by GUSTO and AMS): For demonstrated commitment to engaged research and/or community outreach.

Social Media

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DATES & LOCATIONS



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College of Pharmacy
Well-Being Resources

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& Insurance Card!

OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Franklin College Events and Opportunities](#)

JOIN US!

Cookies & Collaboration
with Dean Anna Stenport 

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

3:00–4:00 p.m.

**Lobby
Coverdell Center
500 D.W. Brooks Drive**

No RSVP needed

For questions, contact Leslie Morrow at
lmorrow@uga.edu or 706-542-3613

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FRANKLIN FEST

Celebrating Franklin College
All February!

Free Food | Giveaways
Events | Fun

2/3

Chick-fil-A Biscuits
President's Club Garden
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

2/19

Donuts and Coffee Bar
Courtyard of Hugh
Hodgson & Lamar Dodd
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

2/11

Snacks
Tate Northwest Lawn
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

2/27

Chick-fil-A
Sandwiches
DW Brooks Mall
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [GUSTO'S Spring 2025 Calendar](#)

GUSTO Spring 2025 Overview



January

1/21: Coffee Hour
1/28: Engagement Fair



February

Week of 2/10: Coffee Hour
Week of 2/24: Trivia Night with Prizes!



March

Week of 3/10: Coffee Hour
Week of 3/24:

Local Hike/
Geocache



April

Week of 4/7: Fall '25 Courses Showcase
Week of 4/21: Coffee Hour

May

Week of 5/5: Greenroof Potluck



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- [Human Geography Postdoc at Dartmouth](#)

The [Department of Geography](#) at Dartmouth College invites applications for a postdoctoral fellow in Human Geography. This two-year position will augment and complement existing departmental strengths, which include critical urban and health studies, Black geographies, feminist geographies, and nature-society relations.

This position is full-time, non-remote, in-residence at Dartmouth in Hanover, NH, with a start date as early as July 1, 2025. Advised and hosted in the Department of Geography, the postdoctoral researcher is expected to contribute intellectually to the department and Dartmouth, and to teach two 10-week long courses over two years. Postdoctoral fellows are also supported by the [Guarini School for Graduate and Advanced Studies](#), including their [diversity and inclusion initiatives](#).

[Dartmouth](#) is committed to academic excellence and encourages the open exchange of ideas within a culture of mutual respect. People with different backgrounds, life experiences, and perspectives make the Dartmouth community diverse, which enhances academic excellence. Applicants should address in their cover letter how their research, teaching, service, and/or life experiences prepare them to advance Dartmouth's commitment to diversity in service of academic excellence.

Qualifications

PhD, or ABD with degree received by the start date, in Geography or a closely related field.

Application Instructions

Please submit all materials electronically through Interfolio:

1. Letter of application of up to four (4) pages that includes research and teaching interests as well as preparation to advance Dartmouth's commitment to diversity in service of academic excellence;
2. Curriculum vitae, including names and contact information for three references;
3. One representative writing sample.

Review of applications will begin on March 3, 2025 and continue until the position is filled. Inquiries should be directed to Department Chair Xun Shi at geography@dartmouth.edu.

- [NASA DEVELOP Research and Science Communication Positions](#)

NASA DEVELOP is currently recruiting for research and science communication positions for the Summer 2025 term, which are open to current students, recent graduates, and transitioning/early career professionals. The application window for Summer 2025 positions closes Friday, February 28th.

NASA DEVELOP is an applied science, capacity-building program in NASA's Earth Science Division. In collaboration with partner organizations, NASA DEVELOP conducts 10-week feasibility studies that address local, national, and international environmental and policy concerns using data collected by NASA's Earth-observing fleet of satellites. NASA DEVELOP operates at fourteen locations across the country at NASA Centers and other regional locations.

Details about this opportunity and how to apply can be found at <https://appliedsciences.nasa.gov/nasadevelop>. Applications for the Summer 2025 term (June 2nd - August 8th) are due Friday, February 28th, with recommendations due March 14th.

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• Events Around Campus

LACSI Research Talk

Tuesday
February 25
3:00 p.m.
MLC 348



lacs1.uga.edu/events

The Dollar How the U.S. Dollar Became a Popular Currency in Argentina

By **Dr. Ariel Wilkis**
IDAES
Universidad de San Martín
Argentina



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EQUITABLE BREAKFAST Event Focus: Disability, Youth, Education, & Advocacy

A Meal: Share breakfast with
community members

A Play: Experience a thought-
provoking short play

A Conversation: Engage in
guided discussion led by
facilitators with 10 people.

SAVE THE DATE!

March 29, 2025 | 9am
1150 Oglethorpe Ave,
Athens, GA 30606.

Register
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- [TUTOR, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES](#)

DESCRIPTION

Provide individual and small group tutoring to student-athletes in the Rankin Smith Student-Athlete Academic Center. Assist students in improving academic achievement by meeting with them weekly to clarify concepts, enhance study skills, and review class materials.

COURSES NEEDED

GEOG 1111

additional courses in other subjects needed as well

COMPENSATION/HOURS

*Undergraduate students - \$13/hour

*Graduate students/professionals - \$15/hour

Please note that individuals with an assistantship or any other on-campus employment cannot exceed 20 hours per week across all jobs

POSITION TYPE

*Part-time, not eligible for benefits

*Tutoring will be conducted in-person

*Hours of Operation:

Sunday – 5-9:30pm

Monday-Thursday – 8am-9:30pm

Friday – 8am-4:30pm

*evening availability is not required, but always needed

QUALIFICATIONS

*Must be in at least second year of undergraduate study or a graduate student/professional

*Must have earned a B or above in course(s) you are tutoring

*Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0

DESIRED CLASS LEVEL(S)

*3rd Year, 4th Year, Graduate Student, Alumnus

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING CREDIT

*Undergraduate student tutors may be eligible to receive Experiential Learning Credit

APPLICATION PROCEDURES/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

*If you are interested, please reach out to rankintutoring@uga.edu.

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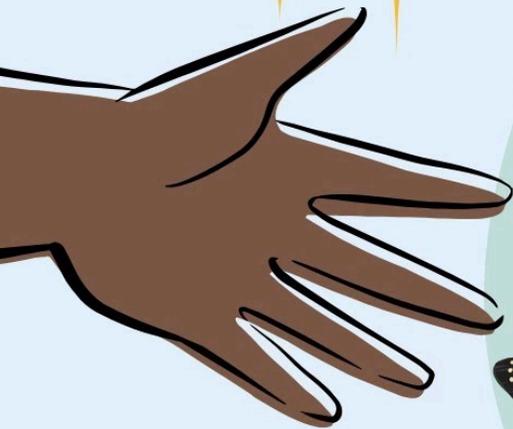
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**Thursdays
starting**

February 13th

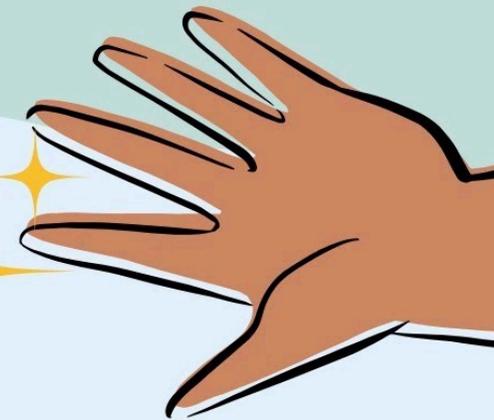
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Latinx Student Support Group





The Fontaine Center

University Health Center

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GRADUATE STUDENT GROUP WELLNESS COACHING

Looking to connect with students working on dissertations, theses, academic projects, or research papers? Register for Graduate Student Group Wellness Coaching to stay motivated and improve strategies for time management and work/life balance.

Join us for 30-minute sessions to discuss academic goals and writing strategies or stay for an open 1.5 hour writing lab to work on your projects! Snacks provided!

FRIDAYS STARTING 1-24
WILLIS WRITING CENTER
PARK HALL 66
11AM-1PM

**Snacks will be provided!*





GET HELP

Whether it's a life-threatening emergency, a non-emergency concern, or a crime tip; there are several options to relay those concerns.

MOBILE BLUELIGHT

Immediately call the UGA Police and share your location in real-time with them.

FRIEND WALK

Send your location in real-time to a friend so they can watch you as you walk to your destination.

CHAT WITH UGA POLICE

Report a concern by texting with UGA Police.

HOW TO RESPOND TO AN EMERGENCY

Conveniently located in one place to help you take immediate action.



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t.uga.edu/7Xf

