

The Graticule Weekly

UGA Geography's Weekly Newsletter



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

UGA Geography Alumnus Castle Williamsberg Wins AMS Award



UGA Geography Alumnus Castle Williamsberg was awarded the Outstanding Early Career Award by the American Meteorological Society. Williamsberg graduated with his Ph.D. in Geography in August 2020 and now works as Chief Social Scientist at NOAA's Weather Program Office. Williamsberg posted the following on his LinkedIn profile about the award:

"I am deeply honored to have been named the recipient of the Outstanding Early Career Award by the American Meteorological Society Board on Societal Impacts. This award recognizes individuals who, within 10 years of earning their highest degree or under the age of 40 at the time of nomination, have made significant contributions to the social science discipline and demonstrate exceptional potential to become leaders in the scientific weather community. I'm truly grateful for this recognition, which highlights both past achievements and the promise of continued leadership and impact in advancing the integration of social sciences in weather research and practice. I'm excited to see what this community continues to achieve over the next 10 years!" [Learn more about Dr. Williamsberg 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!](#)

UPCOMING DEFENSES



Tues.
2/11

Nemin Wu
Proposal Defense
February 11, 2025
9:00am, GGY 321



Thurs.
2/13

Farnoosh Roozkhosh
Oral Comp Exam
February 13, 2025
12:00pm, GGY 147



Thurs.
2/13

Molly Azami
Oral Comp Exam
February 13, 2025
8:00am, GGY 147



Thurs.
2/20

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR



February 7th
Baldwin Hall
3:00 - 4:30 pm

UGA Anthropology invites you to a lecture by guest speaker Kristin Phillips. [Learn more about the event and about Dr. Phillips' research here!](#)

UGA ANTHROPOLOGY PRESENTS

"Making & Breaking Homes in Georgia's Black Belt: Energy, Utility Bills, & the Infrastructures of Belonging."

By Guest Speaker Dr. Kristin Phillips
2/7 - Baldwin Hall - 3:00pm

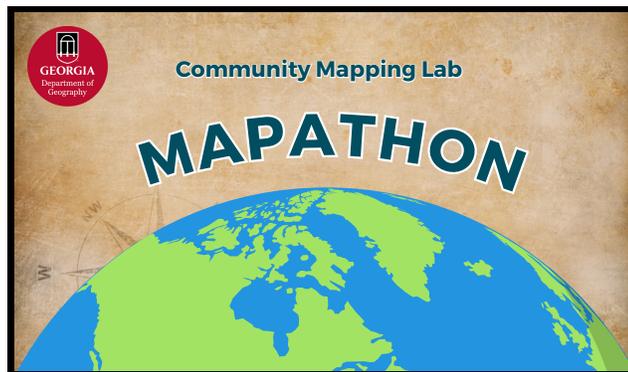


Dr. Kristin Phillips



February 13
GGY 321
6:00pm

Join UGA Geography's Community Mapping Lab for their first Mapathon of the semester. This is a great opportunity to develop your GIS skills - no prior experience required. Snacks will be provided!



GEORGIA Department of Geography

Community Mapping Lab

MAPATHON



February 20
The Athenaeum
5:00-7:00pm

Join us for an evening of brief research presentations and a social mixer of faculty interested in collaborating on areas related to "Environment, Migration & History." [Learn more here!](#)



UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

FRANKLIN COLLEGE

FACULTY RESEARCH MIXER

ENVIRONMENT, MIGRATION & HISTORY



May 9
Location TBD
11:00 am

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

SAVE THE DATE

UGA GEOG GRADUATION CEREMONY

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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



GET YOUR FLU SHOT ON CAMPUS!

#FLUGA

NO OUT-OF-POCKET COST FOR STUDENTS!

#BeWellUGA

SCAN TO FIND DATES & LOCATIONS



University Health Center
College of Pharmacy
Well-Being Resources

Bring your UGA ID
& Insurance Card!

Social Media

Want to stay up to date with all things UGA Geography? Follow us on our social media accounts. If you have any events, news, awards, or other information you'd like to share on our social media, please reach out to Matt Calonius.



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Community MAPPING LAB
Dept. of Geography, University of Georgia

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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

- [UGA Geography Clinical Faculty Position Now Open](#)

Clinical Faculty in Community Geography and Outreach
Department of Geography
University of Georgia

The Department of Geography at the University of Georgia seeks a scholar with expertise in community engagement and experiential learning. This candidate will contribute to our growing community geography program by bringing a demonstrated ability to bridge the gap between scholarly research and locally relevant, community-centered needs. They will participate in the Georgia Community Geography Collective, a departmental initiative to develop mutually beneficial scholarly partnerships in and beyond the local community. The successful candidate will have a broad methodological skillset. Preferred qualifications include all or some of the following: expertise in participatory methods relevant to working with diverse communities; familiarity with geographic thought and scholarship that centers historically marginalized perspectives; the ability to use and provide instruction in geospatial technologies such as participatory GIS; and knowledge of and background working with qualitative research methods. The successful candidate is expected to teach effectively primarily at the undergraduate level and support instructional needs in community geography/service-learning, geospatial methods, and/or human geography. They will also be responsible for growing the department's internship program for undergraduate majors and assist in supervising undergraduate students doing research with community partners. As clinical faculty, this applicant will not have a formal research expectation.

This is an open rank position to be determined by level of experience. Applicants must have a Ph.D. degree in Geography or a related field from an accredited institution. This is a non-tenure-track position which starts on August 1, 2025, and is an academic year appointment (9 months) with opportunities to supplement salary during the summer. It is also subject to annual re-appointment. For UGA policies on rank, experience and promotion of clinical faculty, please see UGA Guidelines for Appointment and Promotion of Clinical Faculty.

Applications received by February 15, 2025, are assured full consideration; however, applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Applicants will be asked to provide names and contact information for three references using the online system. Supporting documents should include a statement addressing the candidate's training and experience relevant to community geography, with specific mention of how the candidate has demonstrated interest and ability to engage with diverse public partners through engaged scholarly work. In addition, applicants should provide a curriculum vitae and a statement of teaching philosophy that highlights their goals and interests.

[Learn More and Apply Here](#)

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• [UGA Career Center Resources](#)

Check out one or more of UGA's [Career & Internship Fairs](#) this semester.

- [UGA Spring Career & Internship Fair 2025](#) | Wednesday, February 5, 12-5pm, Classic Center
 - If students are interested in summer internship roles or career opportunities, please feel free to promote this fair!
- [Include information about any college-specific career fairs.]
- [UGA Summer Job Fair](#) | Wednesday, March 19th, 11am-2:30pm, Tate Student Center Grand Hall (5th Floor)
 - This fair is a wonderful opportunity for students interested in part-time or seasonal jobs.

Arch Ready: We offer [40+ Arch Ready workshops](#) each semester as part of a professionalism certificate program to develop students' [career readiness competencies](#) and [institutional competencies](#). Students can earn the certificate by participating in 5 eligible events during the semester. Our final program this Spring takes place April 17 and certificates will be distributed the week of April 21!

Classroom Presentations: If you plan on being away this semester, consider allowing me to speak with your students on a relevant topic (resumes, interviewing skills, etc.) for part of or the full class time. Please note that I prefer a minimum of 2 weeks' notice. To request a presentation, please email me at erinwh@uga.edu or complete [this survey](#).

- Additionally, you can request up-to-date career content for your eLC course using these [eLC Career Development Modules](#) ([request them here](#)) or prompt your students to explore our [Online Resources](#), such as Forage (virtual work experience programs) or Big Interview (practice mock interviews).

UGA Mentor Program: As a faculty member, there are several ways you can interact with the [UGA Mentor Program](#), the University-wide resource connecting current students (undergraduate, graduate, and professional) with over 5,000 diverse, experienced alumni, faculty, and staff. This program has fostered over 8,000 relationships, each one helping our students grow personally and professionally.

Here are just a few ways faculty members can engage with this program:

- Serve as a [Mentor!](#)
- Encourage/require students to join the program and connect with a mentor
- Invite alumni mentors to speak in your classes or at events/programming
- Request the [UGA Mentor Program eLC modules](#) for your class (students can also [self-enroll!](#))

Refer Students: Feel free to send students our way for any career-related questions.

- Career Coaching Drop-In Hours:
 - In-Person: Mondays-Thursdays, 12pm-2pm in Clark Howell Hall (2nd Floor)
 - Virtual: Fridays, 11am-3pm, career.uga.edu/appointments
- Individual Appointments: Scheduled through [Handshake](#) or 706-542-3375

Professional Photo Booth: The UGA Career Center offers a free and user-friendly [professional photo booth](#) for all students and alumni. Students can simply drop by the Career Center front desk, Monday-Friday: 8:30am-4:30pm, to use it for their LinkedIn profile, website, portfolio, or conference presentations.

Social Media

Want to stay up to date with all things UGA Geography? Follow us on our social media accounts. If you have any events, news, awards, or other information you'd like to share on our social media, please reach out to Matt Colonius.



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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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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 5:00-7:00
THE ATHENAEUM, 287 W BROAD ST

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Join us for an evening of six brief research presentations and a social mixer of faculty interested in collaborating 287 W Broad St on areas related to "Environment, Migration & History"

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RSVP At [This Link](#) or



FEATURED SPEAKERS

Dr. Mona Behl is the Associate Director of Georgia Sea Grant and a public service faculty at the University of Georgia. She is also a non-residential policy fellow with the American Meteorological Society. Her work focuses on building community resilience to extreme weather and climate change, and broadening participation in Earth and environmental sciences.

Dr. Mark Risse, P.E. is the Director of Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant and Georgia Power Professor of Water Resources at the University of Georgia. His expertise is in non-point source pollution management, water resources and Extension/outreach to diverse audiences.

Professor Brita Lorentzen is director of the Tree-Rings and Archaeological Wood Analysis Laboratory and Faculty in the Department of Anthropology. She is an environmental archaeologist who uses dendrochronology, stable isotopes, and archaeological plant remains to investigate human interactions with climate and environment and their long-term impacts on forest and coastal ecosystems.

Professor Marguerite Madden's research interests include GIScience and Landscape Ecology, including remote sensing, geographic information systems (GIS), spatio-temporal analysis, geovisualization and geographic object-based image analysis, as applied to landscape-scale biological/physical processes and human-impacts on the environment.

Dr. Cassandra Johnson Gaither is a Research Social Scientist with the Southern Research Station, USDA Forest Service, in Athens, GA. Her research interests address human perceptions and interactions with nature and the environment. She has published research addressing social group visitation to wild land recreation areas, environmental justice as this relates to minority and lower wealth group access to outdoor recreation facilities, and more recently, the intersection of socially vulnerable populations and environmental risk.

Professor Michael Marshall is a Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor and Associate Director of the School of Art. As the founding director of the Social Ecology Studio, he facilitates collaborative projects with scientific and social research to develop methods for the arts to impact and enhance ecosystems, and to enrich communities.

Professor Dan Rood is an Associate Professor of History at the University of Georgia. His scholarship focuses on the intertwined histories of capitalism, slavery, agriculture, and the environment in the 19th century Americas. He is currently finishing a history of plantations in America.



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Latinx Student Support Group





The Fontaine Center

University Health Center

Student Affairs

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

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.



DOWNLOAD THE APP!

t.uga.edu/7Xf

