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32nd Annual
PUBLIC SERVICE AND OUTREACH
MEETING AND AWARDS LUNCHEON

Public Service & Outreach
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
32nd Annual
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Meeting and Awards Luncheon

Monday, April 17, 2023
University of Georgia Center for Continuing Education & Hotel
Magnolia Ballroom

11:30 a.m.  Registration

Noon – 1:30 p.m.  Welcome
Jennifer L. Frum  
Vice President for Public Service and Outreach

Jere W. Morehead  
President

Lunch
S. Jack Hu  
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

Program
• Connected Resilient Community Awards
• Engaged Scholar Award
• Walter Barnard Hill Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach
• Walter Barnard Hill Fellow Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach

1:30 p.m.  Adjourn
What does it mean to be Georgia Grown?

A division of the Georgia Department of Agriculture, Georgia Grown helps new agribusinesses grow and established agribusinesses thrive by bringing producers, processors, suppliers, distributors, retailers, agritourism and consumers together as one powerful, statewide community.

From companies that support hundreds of local families to small mom-and-pop farms, Georgia Grown helps foster the ever-growing community of agricultural producers, manufacturers and retailers.

Menu

Salad Course

Spring Salad
baby arugula, spinach, artisan greens, peaches, feta, caramelized pecans, aged balsamic vinegar

StoneCreek Hydroponics - Hartwell, Ga.
Sweet Grass Dairy - Thomasville, Ga.
Sunnyland Farms – Albany, Ga.

Entrée Course

Black and Blue Filet Mignon
Vidalia onions, wild mushrooms, Sweet Grass Dairy Asher Blue cheese, whipped Yukon gold potatoes, Chateau Élan Merlot Reserve demi-glace

Evans Hooks Cattle Co – Swainsboro, Ga.
Shuman Farms – Cobbtown, Ga.
Sweet Grass Dairy – Thomasville, Ga.
Chateau Élan Winery – Braselton, Ga.
LG Herdon – Lyons, Ga.
Qihe Mushroom Farm - Newnan, Ga.

Dessert Course

Strawberry Ice Cream Pie
Rock House Creamery strawberry ripple, coconut almond crust, meringue, strawberry sauce

Rock House Creamery – Newborn, Ga.
Award Recipients

Walter Barnard Hill Fellow Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach

Dr. Doris Miller

Walter Barnard Hill Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach

Charles T. Bargeron IV
  John Hulsey
  Carole H. Knight
  Greg Wilson

Engaged Scholar Award

Henry N. Young
Walter Barnard Hill Fellow

About the Award

Comparable to a distinguished professorship, the Walter Barnard Hill Fellow Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach is UGA’s highest award in public service and outreach. It recognizes sustained, distinguished, superb achievement and contributions to improving the quality of life in Georgia or elsewhere. The selection committee considers long-term achievements, special projects having extraordinary impact and collaborative efforts. The creativity, impact and superb nature of a Hill Fellow’s achievements greatly exceed the normal accomplishments of a productive faculty member.

The award is named in honor of Chancellor Walter Barnard Hill, who led UGA from 1899 until his death in 1905. Hill first articulated the university’s modern public service and outreach mission. He admired the close relationship that existed between the University of Wisconsin and the state of Wisconsin and led a pilgrimage of nearly 100 Georgians to see the “Wisconsin Idea” in action. As a result of this journey and the power of Hill’s vision, Georgia’s leadership endorsed Hill’s plan for a modern, public service-oriented university and backed that endorsement with increased support for the institution.

Dr. Doris Miller
College of Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Doris Miller is professor and associate director of state governmental relations for the UGA College of Veterinary Medicine. She has served on that faculty for more than 40 years.

She is nationally recognized as a leader in veterinary diagnostic and forensic pathology, the human–animal bond, and responsible citizenship in regard to companion animal stewardship. She has received the highest recognitions for service from the UGA vet program, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association and the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians.

Dr. Miller helped organize the state-wide training program on Preventing and Prosecuting Animal Cruelty for local law enforcement officers and lawyers, in addition to presenting lectures on these subjects at Animal Law Conferences,” said Dr. Michael J. Topper, past president of the American Veterinary Medical Association. “As these programs continue, it is hoped that the number of successful prosecutions will increase and ultimately lead to a decrease in the number of cases of animal cruelty in the state of Georgia.”
About the Award

Since 1992, the Walter Barnard Hill Award has recognized distinguished achievement in public service and outreach by UGA faculty members and service professionals. Recipients have made contributions to the improvement of the quality of life in Georgia or elsewhere of an order that greatly exceeds the normal accomplishments of a productive faculty member. A maximum of five Hill Awards may be presented each year. Each awardee receives a medallion and a framed certificate. Only Hill Award winners are eligible for a Walter Barnard Hill Fellow Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach.

Like the Hill Award, the Hill Fellow Award is named in honor of Chancellor Walter Barnard Hill, who led UGA from 1899 until his death in 1905. His desire for more university involvement in Georgia and his application of these goals and ideas helped pave the way for a modern public service–oriented university.

Four faculty members and service professionals are 2023 recipients of the Walter Barnard Hill Award for Distinguished Achievement in Public Service and Outreach. The award recognizes their contributions to the improvement of the quality of life in Georgia and beyond.
**Carole H. Knight**  
*College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences*

Carole Knight is the Extension 4-H Specialist for Animal Science Programs, a position she began in January following 16 years with the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences as county extension coordinator, agriculture and natural resources agent, and beef cattle specialist.

Since joining UGA in 2006, Knight has focused on beef cattle and forage production, collaborating with the Georgia Cattlemen’s Association and the Georgia Beef Board to form the Georgia Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) program. The BQA program focuses on animal handling, utilizing health products correctly, sustainable environmental practices and good record keeping. More than 85 percent of all beef now comes from BQA-certified producers.

There are 2,000 BQA certifications in Georgia representing 95,000 head of cattle, which translates into $1.3 million annually in added value to the beef industry. Knight teaches Meat Sciences and Beef Quality Assurance as part of UGA’s Master Cattlemen’s course, offered twice a year in Georgia communities.

She also collaborated with Fort Valley State University and the AgriUnity Cooperative to provide the BQA training and certification to African American cattle producers, a project funded by grants Knight wrote and was awarded.

In 2020, she was invited to join the national Livestock Emergency Response Plan team, to plan and conduct trainings for first responders dealing with accidents involving livestock. Knight co-authored the grant from the Georgia Commodity Commission for Beef that paid to train 350 first responders and law enforcement officers in proper animal handling and euthanasia that meets BQA guidelines.

Knight’s national reputation has grown through the creation of Southern Women in Ag (SWAG) workshops. More than 150 women from 15 Georgia counties and five states have attended SWAG workshops, which have been recognized by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents as an exemplary program. Virginia and Clemson cooperative extension programs have used Georgia’s SWAG materials to draft a program for their states.

“Carole is an individual who has invested in her community and program area and her work demonstrates extraordinary commitment building immeasurable respect and trust,” wrote Niki Whitley, an extension specialist at Fort Valley State University.

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**John Hulsey**  
*Carl Vinson Institute of Government*

John Hulsey is a public service associate at the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, whose training courses have helped Georgia’s state and local leaders operate more effectively and efficiently, and helped newly-elected leaders quickly learn their roles as government decision-makers.

Before his appointment at the Vinson Institute, he had a 17-year career with the Jackson County Board of Commissioners where he became the county’s first finance director.

The experiences and practical knowledge that he acquired during his service to local government have provided him with a unique perspective of government policy, procedure, and operations that have informed his education and training of local government officials and staff. His ability to translate and relate highly complex financial information to newly-elected officials improves the effectiveness of their governance and oversight responsibilities. Since coming to the institute, Hulsey has provided financial management training to 3,304 newly-elected officials.

Hulsey has distinguished himself by his innate ability to take complex and ever-changing financial practices and create content that resonates with learners of various levels of knowledge, skills, and experience. His ability to reach every learner is remarkable. By creating digestible content and providing relatable scenarios, class participants can immediately apply new knowledge and create sustainable impact across state and local governments.

One of Hulsey’s greatest achievements was the development of the Public Finance Leadership Academy (PFLA) in collaboration with the Georgia Government Finance Officers Association. The advanced finance officer certification program with a leadership component was designed to expand the public finance profession in the state. In 2021, the first 12 participants graduated from the PFLA and to date the program has 23 graduates, with 18 applicants seeking enrollment in 2023.

“John’s work, imparting of financial knowledge to county commissioners, and the corresponding judgment by commissioners to make sound financial policy decisions, is crucial to the success of each respective county,” said Dave Wills, executive director of the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia. “Undoubtedly, some commissioners have other life experiences that equipped them to make wise financial decisions, but through my experience as a commissioner and as a staff member of ACCG, I know that many commissioners are not as fortunate. For them, John is literally a godsend.”

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2023 Public Service and Outreach Awards
Greg Wilson  
*Carl Vinson Institute of Government*

As an assistant director with the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, Greg Wilson advances workforce and economic development initiatives that expand the reach and impact of UGA across Georgia.

Wilson’s efforts in workforce development, economic analysis and applied demographic projects help state and local governments, regional organizations, school systems and economic development organizations throughout the state.

His leadership has raised the profile of UGA as a leading national authority for community-based workforce development strategies, and his collaborative efforts have built strong ties between UGA and state and local government organizations. He currently serves as the manager of Vinson’s Workforce Development and Economic Analysis Unit, which provides research and strategy projects worth nearly $1.3 million per year to government clients, and he has been the lead investigator on nearly 45 projects totaling more than $3.3 million in external funding since joining the Vinson Institute.

In 2019, Wilson developed the Planning Rural Opportunities for Prosperity and Economic Leadership (PROPEL) program to deliver comprehensive economic development support to rural low-income communities that otherwise could not afford it. Launched in eight Georgia communities in 2022, three more were added in 2023.

Wilson has secured nearly $500,000 in USDA Rural Development awards to support PROPEL, and a $250,000 gift from the UGA Foundation that has been used in part to create the PROPEL Rural Scholars program, which gives undergraduates the opportunity to complete research projects that benefit those communities.

Wilson’s partnership with the Georgia Department of Education’s Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) division is one example of how he has strengthened relationships with key players in workforce development. In the past six years, Wilson and his team have produced enough projects to significantly advance the work of CTAE, which helps middle and high school students develop career skills through hands-on career and technical education classes.

“There are many definitions of leadership, but at its core, leadership is getting results in a way that inspires trust. Trust in competency and trust in character. Greg inspires this trust and provides this leadership,” said Barbara Rivera Holmes, president and CEO of the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce and a member of the University of System of Georgia Board of Regents.
Engaged Scholar Award

About the Award

The Engaged Scholar Award, established in 2008 as the Scholarship of Engagement Award, recognizes a tenured associate or full professor who has made significant career-spanning contributions to the University of Georgia’s public service and outreach mission through scholarship, service-learning opportunities for students and campus leadership. The award serves to sustain or enhance the honoree’s public service and outreach endeavors or to support the development of new ones.

Henry N. Young
College of Pharmacy

As Kroger Professor and director of Pharmaceutical Health Services at the UGA College of Pharmacy, Henry Young has built mutually beneficial alliances with other faculty, students and communities that address critical challenges in rural Georgia and fulfill the mission of the land-grant university.

Since arriving at the University of Georgia in 2013, Young has embraced community-engaged research and scholarship to the benefit of Georgia communities, particularly those that are historically underserved. His work includes reducing patient readmission rates in hospitals, providing communication between prescribers and providers of opioid prescriptions, and expanding access to telehealth in parts of the state without adequate care.

Many rural communities now have access to resources to address their locally identified issues, “as a direct result of Dr. Young’s extraordinary commitment to underserved populations in our state,” Kelly Smith, dean of the College of Pharmacy, wrote in her letter of recommendation for Young.

Much of Young’s outreach has taken place in communities that are part of the Archway Partnership, a unit of UGA Public Service and Outreach. Young has led 10 major multi-year projects in Archway communities, providing meaningful experiential learning for students; faculty research; scholarship; and grant funding.

In 2019, Young partnered with the UGA School of Social Work and Morehouse College to launch a telehealth program in Pulaski County, an Archway community, that would address health concerns of African-American men.

The Fishers of Men program operates through local churches, with area residents trained to be Community Health Advocates using training modules development by Young, his colleagues and graduate students.

The program was awarded a $1 million USDA grant for telemedicine technologies in rural churches so that community members could link directly to UGA health and wellness resources. The project now is in nine counties and has support from multiple institutions in the Georgia Translational Clinical Alliance.

“None of these outcomes, and certainly not nearly $1 million in grant funding to our region would have been possible without the expertise of Dr. Young and the resources of the University of Georgia,” said Jon Green, CEO of Taylor Regional Hospital in Pulaski County. “Our hospital operates more efficiently and serves our region more effectively, thanks to Dr. Young’s dedication to rural Georgia.”
The Connected Resilient Community (CRC) program was launched by UGA Public Service and Outreach in 2022 to increase the university’s impact across the state. Facilitated by the Archway Partnership, Georgia counties and municipalities are selected to develop a resiliency plan by engaging residents, analyzing local data and completing three projects from 10 categories and more than 70 programs in which UGA faculty and students have expertise.

Communities are recognized with medals—silver, gold and platinum—at the finish of each project and receive the CRC designation upon completion of all three projects. Securing a CRC designation from UGA demonstrates a community’s strength in planning, collaboration and partnership with UGA that differentiates that community as highly desirable for new growth in a competitive economic development landscape.
Other Public Service and Outreach Awards

Public Service and Outreach Staff Awards and Vice President’s Awards were presented earlier in the fiscal year, at the PSO Faculty and Staff Appreciation Event.

Staff Award for Excellence

About the Award

The Public Service and Outreach Staff Award for Excellence, the most prestigious award for Public Service and Outreach staff members, recognizes individuals for their exceptional job performance, workplace creativity and innovation, and commitment to service.

Vice President’s Awards

About the Awards

In fall 2022, the Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach introduced new awards for Public Service and Outreach employees. The Vice President’s Awards of Excellence recognize those employees throughout the eight PSO units who consistently exceed expectations to secure external grants, sponsored programs and private funding to support and grow our programs. They also recognize employees who excel in engaging students in outreach work; who provide excellent overall service in any situation; and who understand and implement measures to evaluate and assess our impact.

Jack Auckland, Staff Award

UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel

Jack Auckland is the event services department head at the University of Georgia Center for Continuing Education & Hotel. He and his staff are responsible for all room sets, audio-visual needs and technology required for conferences and events. During his 27 years at the Georgia Center, Auckland has shown a sense of personal responsibility for all guests through his commitment to lifelong learning and his dedication to service. That service includes overseeing more than 10,000 events and setting and resetting close to 850,000 conference chairs in Mahler Hall.

Auckland, who was named the Georgia Center’s 2022 Employee of the Year, is known for his attention to detail, his exemplary customer service skills, and his forward thinking when it comes to event planning. Auckland and his staff are a “relied upon and competent face of the Georgia Center, adding confidence and a feeling of security to the client experience,” one of Auckland’s colleagues said. He often asks clients questions about event details they haven’t even considered and has been called “an event planner’s dream.”

Auckland was instrumental in helping the Georgia Center transition from in-person meetings to virtual ones and recover event revenue in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. He developed a plan to use owl cameras, industry-leading smart cameras that create an engaging virtual meeting experience using a 360-degree camera, microphone and speaker.

Auckland later played a pivotal role in helping the Georgia Center adapt its event services model to include more hybrid events. Conferences and events began to return to campus in 2020 and 2021, but some attendees could not travel and not all wanted to be on site. Auckland worked closely with web designers and event managers to give the Georgia Center the virtual paths it needed to meet clients’ needs.

For example, the international Engaged Scholarship Consortium hosted its annual conference at the Georgia Center in September, with 70 remote participants using the technology advocated by Auckland.

“I wish I could take Jack with me all over the state as I have absolutely no worries about the success of our conference or event when he is there,” said Mara Shaw, associate director of the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. “Everything he gives to support our efforts is always more than 100 percent.”
**James Byars, Staff Award**  
Carl Vinson Institute of Government

James Byars is a scientific computing professional specialist for the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. Since joining the institute in 2014, Byars has worked to create reliable, accessible data to support projections and plans for the Governor’s Office of Planning and Budget, the University System of Georgia (USG) and other partners.

Over the past five years, Byars has been key to producing annual projections for Georgia’s population by age, sex and race for the state’s 159 counties for the Governor’s Office of Planning and Budget. His role in refining and evaluating the computer algorithms for this data has produced more stable and accurate annual estimates. These projections are used to inform major infrastructure planning, from road and water systems to funding for schools and healthcare. Byars’ 2021 projections were only 0.11 percent off of the official census estimates for Georgia’s 2022 population.

One of the early products Byars helped develop was a data system and dataset that combined three families of University System of Georgia data. Bringing the datasets together allowed the institute’s analytics team to develop innovative products and conduct research for the USG and its 26 institutions on student transfer patterns and changes in recruitment strategies. With Byars’ dataset creation and data modeling talents, all USG institutions have access to the data on a secure portal. This innovative solution to data access and analytics earned the USG the Excalibur Award from the Technology Association of Georgia in 2016.

Additionally, he has utilized his expertise and experience to mentor students, provide professional training opportunities for his peers and present at national and state conferences. Byars has mentored three undergraduate students and served as a mentor for three master’s and six doctoral students in completing their theses and dissertations. He also actively invests in his staff by hosting professional development opportunities for learning complex statistical methods, new coding concepts and new visualization techniques.

“Throughout James’ career at the Institute of Government, he has been a team player and innovator,” said Rob Gordon, director of the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. “The foundation James has provided for data analytics and visualization and his creativity and technical dexterity have enabled the institute to grow.”

**Vice President’s Awards**

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN GRANTS AND SPONSORED PROGRAMS**

- **Shana Jones, assistant director of Strategic Operations and Planning**  
  Carl Vinson Institute of Government
- **Greg Wilson, assistant director of State Services and Support**  
  Carl Vinson Institute of Government
- **Tom Bliss, director of Shellfish Research Lab**  
  Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN DEVELOPMENT**

- **David Meyers, senior public service associate**  
  J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development
- **Lori Tiller, public service associate**  
  J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development
- **Jason Bedgood, program coordinator**  
  J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN STUDENT ENGAGEMENT**

- **Paul Matthews, associate director**  
  Office of Service-Learning

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN OVERALL SERVICE**

- **Kathy Coker, VIP service manager**  
  UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT**

- **Carolina Darbisi, assistant director**  
  J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development
- **Karen Duncan, research and public service manager**  
  J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development
- **Nipuna Ambanpola, research and public service manager**  
  J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development
Public Service and Outreach Student Scholars

The Public Service and Outreach Student Scholars Program, supported by the Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach, provides undergraduate students with the experience of an internship in a Public Service and Outreach unit as well as group activities to explore the purpose, breadth and depth of public service and outreach. The program helps students relate these experiences to their educational and career goals and creates a community of undergraduate student scholars who understand the role of public service and outreach in Georgia and more broadly. The 2022-2023 Public Service and Outreach Student Scholars are listed with their major and their internships in a Public Service and Outreach unit.

Disha Adama, Johns Creek; Management Information Systems, J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development

Mackenzie “Mack” Bosworth, Conyers; Ecology, State Botanical Garden of Georgia

Jessica Burgess, Syracuse, New York; Sociology, J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development

Daniela Delgado, Athens; Marketing and International Business, State Botanical Garden of Georgia

Jasmine DeLong, Augusta; Spanish, J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development

Madison Dickey, Savannah; Finance, Small Business Development Center

Sydney Fritsch, Appleton, Wisconsin; Public Relations and Economics, Archway Partnership

Sophia Gavalas, Dunwoody; Microbiology and Philosophy, State Botanical Garden of Georgia

Caitlin Grdinich, Carrollton; Psychology, PSO Student Scholars mentor

Hope Grismer, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Health Promotion and Master’s in Public Health, Archway Partnership

John “Jack” Haley, Dalton; Management Information Systems, UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel

Caroline Hare, Cumming; International Affairs, Office of Service-Learning

Megan Harris, Loganville; Biology and Psychology, PSO Student Scholars mentor

Jennifer John Britto, Alpharetta; Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Women’s Studies, State Botanical Garden of Georgia

Isabella “Bella” Morris, Atlanta; Nutritional Science, Office of Service-Learning

Milan Nayak, Suwanee; Economics and International Affairs, Office of Service-Learning

Camille “Cammi” Rogers, Keysville; Political Science and Sociology, Archway Partnership

Julianna “Jules” Russ, Fort Thomas, Kentucky; International Affairs, Journalism, Comparative Literature and Intercultural Studies, Archway Partnership

Joshua “Josh” Sandler, Cornwall, New York; Economics, Carl Vinson Institute of Government

Caroline Solomon, Marietta; Environmental Economics and Management, and Russian, Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant

Rose Tran, Macon; Health Promotion, Office of Service-Learning

Anthony Tringali, Kennesaw; Economics and Political Science, Carl Vinson Institute of Government

Ireland Wellshear, Dallas, Texas; Management Information Systems and International Business, Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach
Previous Awards

2022
Hill Fellow
Maritza Soto Keen

Hill Award
Pamela N. Knox
Joan Koonce
J. Scott Pippin
Lenny Wells

Engaged Scholar Award
Jason A. Cade

Staff Award
Pamela C. Bracken

2021
Hill Fellow
Robert C. Kemerait Jr.

Hill Award
Carolina Darbisi
Leigh Askew Eldins
Keri Gandy Hobbs
Mark Lupo
David Tanner

Engaged Scholar Award
Edward Delgado-Romero

Staff Award
Lisa Gentit

2020
Hill Fellow
Walt McBride

Hill Award
Jennifer Ceska
Kris Irwin
Shana Jones
Eleanor Lanier
Mara Shaw

Engaged Scholar Award
Stephan Durham

Staff Award
Cora Keber
T. Clark Stancil

2019
Hill Fellow
Stanley Culpepper

Hill Award
Jeffrey Humphreys
Amanda Burgess Marable
David Meyers
William G. Tyson
Theresa Wright

Engaged Scholar Award
Alexander Scherr

Staff Award
Genell Gibson

2018
Hill Fellow
Kim Coder

Hill Award
Julia Gaskin
Beverly E. Johnson
Tori Stivers

Engaged Scholar Award
Ruth Harman

Staff Award
James Marty Higgins

2017
Hill Award
Tracy Arner
Melanie Biersmith
Danny Bivins
Dennis Hancock
Janet Rechtman

Engaged Scholar Award
Tina Harris

Staff Award
Kate Smith

2016
Hill Fellow
Karen Payne

Hill Award
Ellen Bauske
Phillip Brannen
David Moorhead

Engaged Scholar Award
Phillip Tomporowski

Staff Award
Fei Zhang

2015
Hill Fellow
Eric P. Prostko

Hill Award
Alfredo Martinez-Espinosa
Raye Rawls
Paula E. Sanford
Clint Waltz

Engaged Scholar Award
Anna Karls

Staff Award
Sandy Christopher

2014
Hill Fellow
Jeffrey R. Sanford

Hill Award
Sue W. Chapman
George Weston Clarke Jr.
Stanley Culpepper
Robert C. Kemerait Jr.

Engaged Scholar Award
Marsha Davis

Staff Award
Karen Duncan
Melanie Hardman
Lindsey Parker

2013
Hill Fellow
Ronnie Barentine

Hill Award
Matthew L. Bishop
Janet Bittner
Lori Purcell Bledsoe
Doris Miller
John Worley

Engaged Scholar Award
Lance Palmer

Staff Award
Dan Evans
Tim Holcomb
Linda Rhodes

2012
Hill Fellow
L. Ray “Rusty” Brooks

Hill Award
Glenn H. Beard
W. Dennis Epps
Maritza Soto Keen
Margaret E. Melnik
Eric P. Prostko

SOE Award
Lorilee R. Sandmann

Staff Award
Michelle Bailey
Emily Davis
Kathy Hart

2011
Hill Fellow
L. Mark Risse

Hill Award
Judy Hibbs
Louise Hill
Richard C. Lacy
Walt McBride
Karen Payne

SOE Award
David C. Berle

Staff Award
Stephanie Edgecombe
Lisa Lynn Kesler
Larry Welborn

2010
Hill Fellow
Mark Foster

Hill Award
W. Don Shurley
Paul D. Wigeley

SOE Award
Nancy Williams

Staff Award
Annie Burgess
Melanie Lee

2009
Hill Fellow
Keith Delaplane

Hill Award
Ronnie Barentine
Robert Brewer
Mark Risse
Phillip Roberts
Michael Rupured

SOE Award
Virginia Nazarea

Staff Award
Dianne Campbell
Marie Scoggins

2008
Hill Fellow
Judy A. Harrison

Hill Award
Gail Hanula
John O’Looney
Paul Sumner
Paul Vendrell
Jeanna Wilson

SOE Award
William Kisaalita

Staff Award
Anne Shenk
Kitty Shollenberger

2007
Hill Fellow
Deborah W. Purvis

Hill Award
Joanne S. Cavis
Kim Coder
Keith Delaplane
Laurie Fowler
Paul Hardy

Staff Award
Debra Gates
James H. Gilstrap
Jann Moore

2006
Hill Fellow
Mary E. Stakes

Hill Award
Eric S. Bonaparte
Steve L. Brown
Pratt W. Cassity Jr.
Harry W. Hayes
T. Brian Tankersley

Staff Award
Richard Hitchcock
James McKay
Tiffany Williams

2005
Hill Fellow
Elizabeth L. Andress

Hill Award
Jorge H. Atiles
L. Steven Dempsey
Mark Foster
Gordon Maner
John C. McKissick

2004
Hill Fellow
Stephen E. Condrey

Hill Award
L. Ray “Rusty” Brooks
Judy A. Harrison
Anant V. Jain
Kenneth L. Lewis
F. Richard Rohs

2003
Hill Fellow
Donald W. Bower

Hill Award
Scott N. Brown
John R. Glisson
William C. Merka
Richard L. Milford
Jeffrey R. Sanford

2002
Hill Fellow
Dan Durning

Hill Award
Connie Crawley
Frances Hensley
Dan L. Horton
Deborah W. Purvis
Mary E. Stakes

2001
Hill Fellow
Douglas C. Bachtel

Hill Award
Elizabeth L. Andress
Judy Bland
Job P. Dieleman
P. Elizabeth Pate
William P. Russell
2000
Hill Fellow
Helen H. Mills

Hill Award
James M. Affolter
Dan Durning
Henry E. Hibbs
David P. Mills Jr.
Reid L. Torrance

1999
Hill Fellow
Beverly L. Sparks

Hill Award
Douglas C. Bachtel
Robert T. Dixon
Melinda D. Hawley
Sally Hudson Ross
Darbie M. Granberry

1998
Hill Fellow
Kathleen E. Wages

Hill Award
Stephen E. Condrey
John H. Jeffreys
Michael J. Padilla
Richard D. Reaves
Beverly L. Sparks

1997
Hill Fellow
Howard A. Schretter

Hill Award
Donald W. Bower
Paul E. Glick
William M. Ozburn
David A. Payne
Lamar E. Zipperer

1996
Hill Fellow
John M. Woodruff

Hill Award
Carvin L. Brown
James L. Cooley
Margaret S. Herman
Michael P. Lacy
Kathleen E. Wages

1995
Hill Fellow
Mary A. Hepburn

Hill Award
James A. Feldt
Edwin L. Jackson
Helen H. Mills
Joy P. Johnson
Gary L. Wade

1994
Hill Fellow
James E. Kundell

Hill Award
Walter A. Denero
David L. Harrington
Howard A. Schretter
Charles R. Swanson
John M. Woodruff

1993
Hill Fellow
Wanda J. Grogan

Hill Award
Carolyn M. Ainslie
Ronald C. Atkinson
John R. Cole Jr.
William R. Lambert
Sam M. Mitchell
THE ARCHWAY PARTNERSHIP establishes long-term relationships with selected communities to identify the issues they face and then coordinates UGA faculty, staff and other resources to help them address their community and economic development needs. Eight counties in Georgia are participating; six have already graduated from the program.

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MARINE EXTENSION AND GEORGIA SEA GRANT works to increase the efficiency of existing marine industries, to identify new industries that do not harm the environment and to increase public awareness and understanding of coastal ecosystems. The programs delivered through locations in Athens, Atlanta and on the coast extend economic and cultural benefits throughout the state and region. Georgia Sea Grant sponsors research that addresses problems unique to Georgia as well as other research that has a national scope.

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THE OFFICE OF SERVICE-LEARNING supports UGA faculty members in increasing and expanding service-learning opportunities for students in campus-based and study abroad courses. The unit also cultivates community-based partnerships that respond to expressed community needs. The Office of Service-Learning reports to the Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach and the Office of the Vice President for Instruction.

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THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER provides a wide range of educational opportunities to small business owners, potential entrepreneurs and community leadership organizations that support efforts to create, sustain or expand business ventures.

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THE STATE BOTANICAL GARDEN OF GEORGIA provides the public and UGA faculty and students opportunities for education, research and events through its natural areas, display gardens and building spaces.

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UGA CENTER FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION & HOTEL is a 300,000-square-foot, comprehensive public service educational unit that annually enrolls more than 100,000 adults in its on-site and distance-learning programs. Other activities for the campus, community and state serve an additional 100,000 people each year.

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The University of Georgia won the 2022 national Association of Public and Land-grant Universities’ highest award for public service for the work of the Archway Partnership, an outreach program that serves rural communities through access to the resources and expertise of UGA.

The Archway Partnership presentation was the southern region’s winner of the 2022 W.K. Kellogg Foundation Community Engagement Scholarship Award. That award qualified it to compete against three other U.S. regions for the Magrath Award, which is named for C. Peter Magrath, APLU president from 1992–2005.

Representatives from UGA and from Archway communities participated in the presentation to the award selection committee, which included video and photos from Colquitt County in south Georgia and Pulaski County in middle Georgia. In Colquitt County, UGA students helped develop a co-responder program to better manage police calls concerning mentally ill or intoxicated people. In Pulaski County, faculty and students have addressed a number of health-related challenges, most recently by helping develop a telehealth program connecting local residents to health information not readily available in their community.

Since 2012, more than 500 faculty members and nearly 1,700 students from all 18 UGA colleges and schools have completed 1,170 projects throughout the state, working alongside faculty in UGA’s eight public service and outreach units.