

2024 PSO Student Scholar Application



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Public Service & Outreach
Student Scholars

The Public Service & Outreach Student Scholars program provides the opportunity for a select cohort of undergraduate students to explore and engage with the University of Georgia's public service and outreach (PSO) mission. The Student Scholars program is not a service organization per se, but rather an opportunity to learn how UGA applies expertise across the state to develop leaders, create jobs and address critical challenges in Georgia and beyond. Supported by the Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach, this year-long program is intended to provide deeper understanding of PSO's purpose, breadth, and depth through supervised service experiences with PSO and communities, to help students link their public service experiences with their career and educational goals, and to create a community of student scholars who understand the role of public service and outreach in Georgia and more broadly. The program is also an approved Experiential Learning opportunity. The program was first established in Spring 2011. For the 2024-25 program year, a cohort of up to 25 PSO Student Scholars will be selected through a competitive application process.

Mandatory interviews for finalists will be conducted in April, with selection prior to the end of the semester.

Please visit the PSO Student Scholars [website](#) to learn more about the program and application requirements.

Applications must be completed electronically. A successful application includes the following:

- Completed electronic application form
- Current résumé
- A 250-500 word statement explaining: your motivations to participate in the program; preference and rationale for possible internship placement(s); and how participation relates your career/academic goals
- Current UGA transcript (official transcripts may be sent from the Registrar's Office to Joshua Podvin/Office of Service-Learning, or unofficial one sent by student)
- [Reference Form](#) (separate form, sent by your reference directly to OSL).

Application deadline is April 3, 2024 at 5:00pm EST

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General Application Questions

Applicant First Name:

Middle Initial:

Applicant Last Name:

Preferred "Call By" Name:

UGA Email Address:

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

Cell Phone:

Major(s):

Minor(s):

Expected Graduation Semester/Year:

Gender:

Ethnicity:

GPA:

UGA MyID (not your 81x #):

Adult Polo/T-shirt Size:

Hometown:

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Essay Question & Additional Information

Please upload a current copy of your resume:

Please use this space to provide a 250-500 word statement explaining: your motivations to participate in the program; preference and rationale for possible internship placement(s); and how participation relates to your career/academic goals.

Internship Placement: Please rank your internship preferences with Public Service & Outreach units (move options into preferred order with specific attention to your top 3 choices).

Visit outreach.uga.edu and the units' websites for more information on the units, their activities, and past student involvement.

- _____ Archway Partnership (1)
- _____ Carl Vinson Institute of Government (2)
- _____ J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development (3)
- _____ Marine Extension & Georgia Sea Grant (4)
- _____ Small Business Development Center (5)
- _____ Georgia Center for Continuing Education and Hotel (6)
- _____ State Botanical Garden of Georgia (7)
- _____ Office of Service-Learning (8)
- _____ PSO Communications Office (9)
- _____ Office of the Vice President for PSO (10)

Name of individual who will be submitting a PSO Student Scholar Reference Form on your behalf:

Email of individual who will be providing a PSO Student Scholar Reference Form on your behalf:

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Program Agreements

Program Requirements:

I understand that if selected I will be required to (please check all):

- Attend Fall 2024 weekly cohort meetings, Fridays 12:40-2:40pm (or equivalent, if UGA modifies class periods) (1)

- Complete 120-150 hours of direct internship work with the designated PSO unit in Spring 2024, including deliverables (e.g., report, presentation, etc.) determined in coordination with PSO faculty mentor. (2)

- Take part in mandatory cohort activities (fall team-building; Marine Extension trip, Sept 27-Sept 29; PSO Annual Meeting in April) and collaboratively scheduled special events (e.g., community site visits, service activities) throughout the year. Participant costs are covered by the program. (3)

- Take part in assessment, feedback, and promotional activities related to this program. (4)

Signature:

Please note that your application is not complete until you have submitted a current UGA transcript (official or unofficial) **AND** a reference form has been submitted on your behalf (Please share this [FORM](#) with your reference).
