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The Graticule Weekly

UGA Geography's Weekly Newsletter



General News and Announcements



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FACULTY AWARD SPOTLIGHT

David Porinchu Receives 2024 Sandy Beaver Excellence in Teaching Award



Geography Professor David Porinchu has been named a recipient of the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences Sandy Beaver for Excellence in Teaching Award. This annual honor is awarded to outstanding faculty members who show a sustained commitment to high-quality instruction, creativity in the development of new courses, external recognition for teaching accomplishments, and evidence of former students' accomplishments.

[Learn More About Dr. Porinchu's Research and Course Instruction](#)

WELCOME BACK TO CAMPUS!

Welcome back to campus, everyone! It's been such a joyous experience to watch our UGA community spring to life with renewed ambition and excitement for the new semester. We hope that everyone's been settling into their new routines as the semester's add drop period comes to a close. We'd like to extend a particularly warm welcome back message to all our Geography & Atmospheric Sciences students, faculty, and staff. If, at any time, you need assistance throughout this semester or simply need a brief respite from the hustle and bustle of campus, the doors of the main Geography office are always open, and our wonderful office staff is always here to help. We're so excited to see what kind of wonderful things UGA Geographers and Atmospheric Scientists will do this semester. Have a great semester!



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[View UGA's Directory of Resources and Student Support Services](#)

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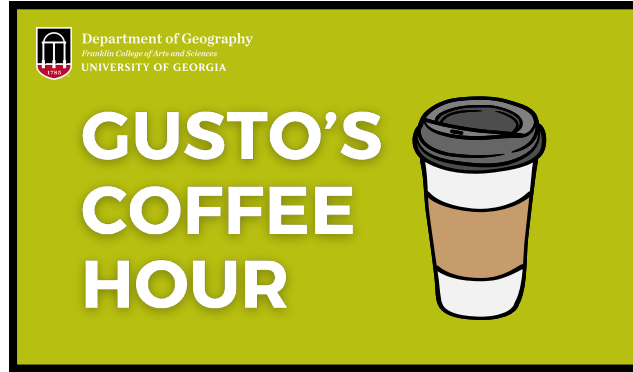


MARK YOUR CALENDAR



January 21
GGY 147
11:30 - 12:30

Mark your calendars! All are welcome at GUSTO's first Coffee Hour of the semester. Get to know your department over a fresh cup of joe! This is a great casual opportunity to make friends and network.



January 24
MLC 214
3:00 pm

Join LACSI for a lecture by Dr. Kent Eaton from the University of California Santa Cruz titled "What Can Latin America Tell Us About Subnational Democratic Erosion in the United States?" [Learn more here!](#)



January 31
GGY Room 200D
3:00 pm

Join Dr. Jenn Rice and Dr. Hilda Kurtz at this semester's town hall. This is a forum to connect around various concerns or issues you are facing in your classes or graduate assistantships, needs you have, AND for us to provide important updates and announcements to you



February 4th
Mahler Hall
2:00 pm

In celebration of 25 years of the Mary Frances Early Lecture Series, trail blazers and influential thought leaders [Dr. Valerie White](#) and [Dr. Tracey Ford](#) will be this year's speakers.



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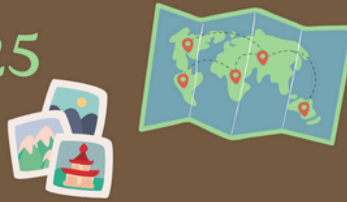
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OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [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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- Geography Office FWS Student Assistant Position Now Open

Earn extra \$
convenient
flexible
Apply!

FACULTY AWARD SPOTLIGHT



Student Assistant
in GEOG Office
FWS position
geography@uga.edu

Geography Department

Spring Semester 2025

9-12 hours weekly

\$12/hr.

The Geography/ATSC major student assistant's role will consist of both weekly responsibilities and some special projects throughout the semester.

Weekly responsibilities may include:

Staffing the front office to answer routine questions from visitors and callers. Sign for packages and notify recipients. Also, depending on the times they work, sort daily mail and put in mailboxes. Assist with simple requests such as logging in or searching for lost-and-found items, providing directions, or opening rooms for FMD technicians. Assist with periodic tasks such as changing out batteries in building clocks, moving light furniture around, or help with set-up for department events such as colloquia or the Geography graduation event.

Special projects may include:

Compile internship opportunities and resources from faculty and other sources. Assist office manager with scanning items for annual inventory audit. Organize files and boxes for Records Retention and Destruction, according to their procedures listed on website.

Other projects: we're open to hearing your ideas!

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- [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

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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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The Fontaine Center

University Health Center

Student Affairs

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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!*



LACSI
Research Talk

Friday, January 24
3:00 p.m.
MLC 214

What Can Latin America Tell Us About Subnational Democratic Erosion in the United States?

By Dr. Kent Eaton

University of California Santa Cruz

In recent years, an important literature has emerged on the phenomenon of subnational undemocratic regimes (SURs) in Latin America. Scholars have inquired into the origins of these regimes, their evolution over time, and their ability to persist within countries whose national political regimes have successfully democratized. Thinking across the Americas, what can this scholarship tell us about the subnational democratic erosion that is occurring unevenly across the United States? Based on a review of five key dimensions, this paper (co-authored with Agustina Giraudy) argues that the institutional landscape for the emergence and continuity of SURs is, comparatively speaking, more favorable in the U.S. than in any of Latin America's three federations (Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico).



DR. KENT EATON

is a Distinguished Professor of Politics in the Politics Department at the University of California Santa Cruz. His research examines the interplay between politics and territory, focusing on the territorial (re)organization of states in the world today. Prof. Eaton's current projects include the design and performance of federal institutions, the causes and consequences of decentralization, and the formation and evolution of movements for territorial autonomy. For more than 30 years he has conducted field research across Latin American countries, including Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Uruguay.



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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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