

Political Engagement: Anytime, Everywhere

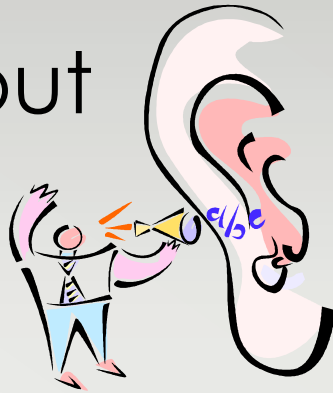
Maureen Grasso
Dean, Graduate School
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CGS New Deans Institute
July 13, 2013

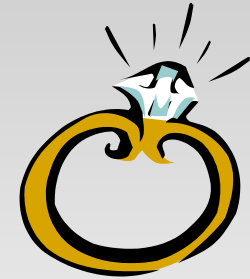


Engage Who? Engage How?

But about



It's not about



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On Campus



- ⦿ Administrative search committees and finalists' campus visits
- ⦿ Student awards reception
- ⦿ Administrative program review

In the University Community

- University Strategic Plan 2020 Strategic Direction II: **Enhancing Graduate and Professional Programs**

Excellence in graduate and professional education is a critical component in America's global competitiveness, economic growth and quality of life (Council of Graduate Schools, 2006).

- Graduate Student Association

- Graduate School Website

Search Grad School

The University of Georgia
The Graduate School

Building the Graduate Learning Environment

Graduate Research Spotlight:
Natala Sciolino
Doctoral Candidate, Neuroscience

"The research that I am performing in the laboratory of Dr. Philip Hennessy is aimed at society, as it could inform the development of exercise regimens to treat stress-related disorders (e.g., anxiety, drug addiction). Ultimately, identification of the brain mechanisms underlying exercise could be used to develop drug therapies for mental disorders.

In addition to research in neuroscience, last summer IEMMS received a competitive graduate student award from the NIH to attend the 61st Meeting of Natta Laureana in Lodi.

Annonouncements

GRSC 7970S: Approaches in Community Engagement (Fall 2010-2017) is a new class being offered this fall to provide a foundation for graduate students to participate in and develop University community partnerships that expand their professional development and enrich their community, as well as their own lives. The course will be taught by Dr. Anne Kirby, a Service Learning Fellow with the Office of Public Service and Outreach.

Columbus State University has issued a call for proposals for the 2012 meeting of the Interdisciplinary Graduate Research Conference at CSU on October 25, 2012. The rise of globalization, rapid dissemination of information and increased interconnectedness has significantly changed the dynamics of everyday existence. What challenges will we face in this new world as a result of the ever-growing rise and distribution of technology and increased spread of culture and ideas? The deadline for submission is September 7, 2012.

Graduate Education News

With Special Events on Campus



Judges for 3 Minute Thesis competition represented multiple stakeholders in graduate education



Planting a tree to commemorate the original location of the UGA Graduate School

UGA Archway Partnership



College of Environment and Design graduate students provided a Master Plan for the Industrial Park in Habersham County



College of Public Health graduate students were a key part of Clayton County obtaining a Federally Qualified Health Center to serve over 100K “underseved” patients, addressing economic and healthcare disparities

Around the State



Speaking at a Rotary Club in south Georgia on “Education Day”



Association of state graduate schools to advocate within state

Around the State



Governor of Georgia presented a proclamation in recognition of the UGA Graduate School Centennial



Partnership with private owners of historic Georgia estate to provide research opportunities and graduate assistantships

President's Report to Donors



Enhancing graduate education will benefit the institution and the state. [The students] are the people equipped to meet the needs and address the challenges that Georgia faces in the 21st century. They are the intellectual task force for a better Georgia and UGA is obligated to produce them.

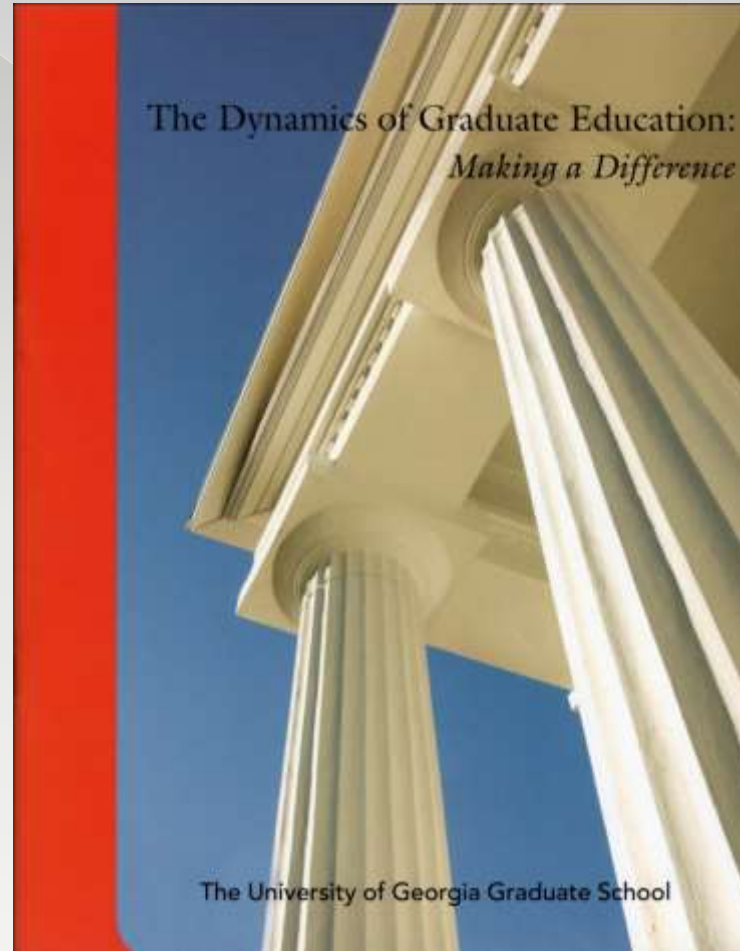
With Alumni



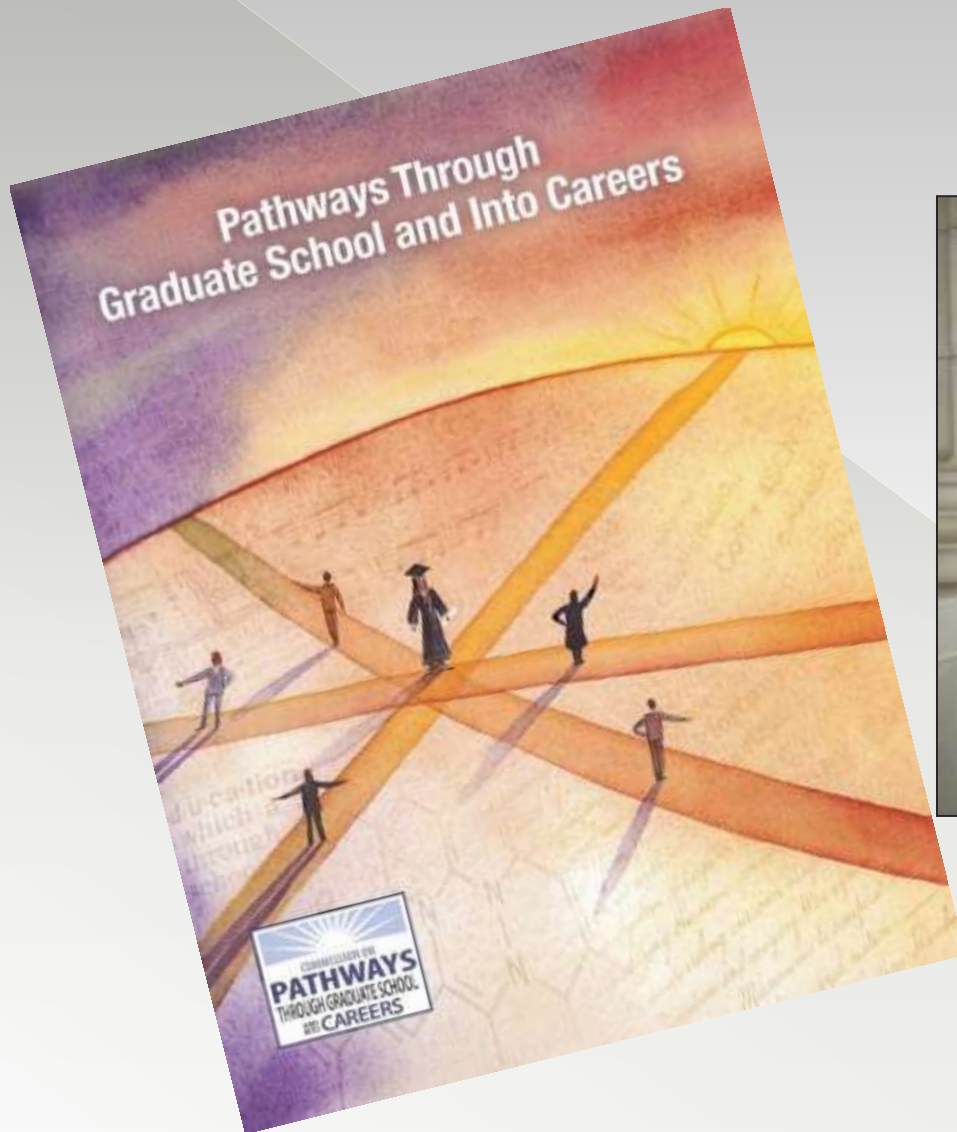
... communicating across the state and the nation



Making a Difference



On the Hill



Lessons Learned

- ◉ Don't overlook any opportunity
- ◉ Know your audience – listen and learn what is important to them
- ◉ Tell stories – they sell
- ◉ Keep students at forefront
- ◉ Use data
- ◉ Find others to make the case for you
- ◉ Celebrate students, milestones, and awards

