

# Provost Notes

March 2023

#### **Faculty Research Small Grants Recipients**

**Dr. Ellen France, Biological and Environmental Sciences**, *Identification of novel interactor of Sec6 protein via Yeast Genetic Screen*, \$4,954.

**Dr. Bruce Snyder, Biological and Environmental Sciences,** *South Georgia Millipede Survey*, \$5,000.

**Dr. Hasitha Mahabaduge, Chemistry, Physics, and Astronomy**, *An Assessment of Early Onset Osteopenia and Osteoporosis in College Aged Individuals*, \$5,000.

Drs. Kevin Hunt and Lisa Griffin, and Candice Griffeth, Health and Human Performance, Exercise is Medicine, \$5,000.

**Dr. Joanne Spalding, Health and Human Performance,** Analysis of the Physical and Positional demands of an NCAA DII Women's Soccer Season with Measures of External and Internal Load, \$4,984.

**Dr. Andrew Allen, Music**, *Sigurd Raschèr in the United States:* 1940-1945, \$2,175.

**Dr. Stephanie Jett, Psychological Science**, and **Laurie Peebles, Music**, Sights and Sounds of Veteran Identity: The Use of Photovoice Technique and Lyric Analysis in a Community-Based Participatory Action Research Framework, \$4,998.

#### **Inclusive Excellence Grant**

**Dr. Ania Rynarzewska, Management, Marketing, and Logistics,** *DEI in education, uncoiling the societal spiral of silence,* \$2,640.

## Congratulations!

# Dr. Katie Stumpf, Biological and Environmental Sciences,

Population Genetics and Morphometrics of Overwintering Swamp Sparrows (Melospiza georgiana) at Panola Mountain State Park, Georgia Ornithological Society, \$5,000.

#### **TEDx at GC**

In partnership with TED, Georgia College's Leadership Programs are bringing TEDx to Georgia College and Milledgeville. The inaugural TEDxGeorgiaCollege will take place on Friday, March 24th, in the Campus Theatre in downtown Milledgeville. The theme for this event is the *Power of the Public Square*, and will feature nine different speakers. For more information, visit TEDxGeorgiaCollege.

# LibQUAL+ survey

Russell Library is participating in the national LibQUAL+ survey sponsored by the Association of Research Libraries (ARL). The survey, which will be open through April 7, measures campus perceptions of library service. The results will help to inform and help us assess and improve our services. The survey should only take approximately 5 minutes to complete and provides an opportunity to give feedback on Library services, collections, and spaces. This survey is open to all students, faculty, and staff (18 years old and older). To access the survey and to learn more about it, please visit: <a href="https://libguides.gcsu.edu/LibQUAL/StartSurvey">https://libguides.gcsu.edu/LibQUAL/StartSurvey</a>. Questions or concerns should be directed to Lamonica Sanford (<a href="mailto:lamonica.sanford@gcsu.edu">lamonica.sanford@gcsu.edu</a>) or Jolene Cole (<a href="mailto:jolene.cole@gcsu.edu">jolene.cole@gcsu.edu</a>).

## CTLs "Your Online Course" Offerings

The Center for Teaching and Learning will be offering two new courses to faculty preparing to teach online this summer. The first is titled Designing Your Online Course (DYOC) and the second Improving Your Online Course (IYOC). Both are offered through Quality Matters (QM) for the first time ever at GCSU. Completing either of these face-to-face courses leads to a QM certification.

The dates for DYOC are March 20 & 22 OR March 21 & 23 and for IYOC are March 27 & 29 OR March 28 & 30. For more information, please contact the Center for Teaching and Learning x1248.

GEORGIA COLLEGE E STATE UNIVERSITY I RESEARCH		RESEARCH DAY SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE MARCH 29, 2023				
	TIME	MAGNOLIA BALLROOM	PEABODY AUDITORIUM	ARTS & SCIENCES	OUTDOOR	OTHER SPACES
	9:00-10:00	President Cox and Posters				WGS Symposium, All Day! (Museum Education Room)
	10:00-11:00	Poster Session	Careers in STEM Panel	Digital Humanities Showcase (A&S Auditorium)		Undergrad Student Oral Presentations, All Day!
	11:00-12:00		Research/Creative Activity as Pedagogy Panel	Digital Humanities Showcase (A&S Auditorium)		Grad Student Presentations, All Day!
	12:00-1:00				Wellness Pionic (Front Campus)	Times Talk (Library)
	1:00-2:00		Latin American Studies Talk		Resource Fair	Thunder Sightings!
	2;00-3;00		GC Venture Capital Challenge	"3 in 3" Presentation Competition (\$200 Prize) (A&S 2-72)	Resource Fair	English Grad Symposium
	3:00-4:00		GC Venture Capital Challenge	Speech & Debate Scrimmage (A&S 2-72)		English Grad Symposium
	4:00.5:00		GC Venture Capital Challenge	Faculty Excellence Panel (A&S 2-72)		
Co-Sponsored by MURACE, GC Journeys, The Graduate School, Ina Dillard Russell Library, The John E. Sallstrom Honors College, and Barnes & Noble						

For more information go to: https://www.gcsu.edu/murace/student-research-conference

## **Faculty Guide to Promoting Student Engagement**

The Division of Student Life has produced a Faculty Guide to Promoting Student Engagement. Find excerpts from the guide below. For the full guide or more information, contact Emily Jarvis, Executive Director of Student Engagement, x8566 or emily.jarvis@gcsu.edu.

#### Student engagement consists of two parts:

- 1. The time and effort students put into their studies, and
- 2. The environments and experiences that foster student learning.

Student Life is committed to providing those environments and experiences

- Every summer at orientation, we issue the Student Life challenge: For every student to join at least one club or organization within the first two weeks of school.
- The First Six Weeks is considered a *make-or-break* time.
- Even for students who flourished in the fall, spring can be a difficult hurdle.

#### How can you help promote student engagement?

- Start with a conversation...students who felt supported in their non-academic lives showed improvement on every single learning outcome. Start by asking how they're feeling about college and whether they feel connected with their community.
- Promote the CORQ app: CORQ contains a calendar of all student events and activities happening every day. There is always something for students to engage with!
- Encourage involvement in RSOs...There are currently more than 130 registered student organizations on campus, including academic groups, service orgs, gaming clubs, campus ministries, political orgs, and
- Intervene if you have concerns...If you notice students who seem isolated or disconnected, allow us to help! Refer them to Student Life by emailing studentactivities@gcsu.edu or call 478-445-7805.
- Become an RSO advisor...We know students benefit when they know their faculty outside of class. Become a club advisor to engage with students on a different level. Reach out to kristy.johnson@gcsu.edu to learn more.