



Provost Notes

April 2023

Student Technology Fee (STF) Innovation Grants

Congratulations to the recipients of the Spring 2023 Student Technology Fee Innovation Grant funds:

- **Gabrielle Banzon**, Music Therapy, *Music Technology Equipment*, \$543.89.
- **Michael Crews and William Burke**, **Communication**, *Video in Motion*, \$6,060.
- **Dominic DeSantis**, and **Bruce Snyder**, **Biological and Environmental Sciences**, *Next-generation field data collection technologies for high-impact student research and instruction in biology*, \$5,000.
- **Kasey Karen**, **Biological and Environmental Sciences**, *Advanced student-led human tissue culture experiments using the plug-and-play EVOS microscope in the classroom and research labs*, \$8,622.85.
- **Katie Stump**, and **Dominic DeSantis**, **Biological and Environmental Sciences**, *Using remote data recorders (iButtons and cameras) to address ecological and behavioral responses to temperature*, \$3,000.
- **Kristine White**, **Biological and Environmental Sciences**, *Magnifying miniature worlds: the art of scientific communication*, \$9,581.

For more information about the program, please see the [Student Technology Fee Innovation Grants](#).

Congratulations!

Dave Bachoon, **Biological and Environmental Sciences**, *Implementation of a Water Quality Restoration Strategy at the San Juan Bay Estuary watershed and the Rio Grande de Loiza (below dam) Estuary Contributing Zone*, University of Puerto Rico – Mayaguez, \$25,000.

Tenure & Promotion Overview

Join us for an overview workshop on Wednesday, **April 5, 2023** at 3:30 in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room. Another workshop will be held on May 9 at 9:00am (location pending). [Click for more information.](#)

Community-Based Engaged Learning Grants

GC Journeys and the CTL awarded the following CbEL awards:

Sandra Godwin, Government and Sociology, *Solving the Food Waste Problem*.

Carrie Cook, Government and Sociology, *Community Recreation as a Gang Alternative*.

Aurora Castillo-Scott, and **Lee Kirven**, World Languages and Cultures, *Promoting GCSU College Life to the K-12 Community*.

Governor's Teaching Fellows Program

The Governor's Teaching Fellows Program was established by Zell Miller, Governor of Georgia, to provide Georgia's higher education faculty with expanded opportunities for developing important teaching skills. Governor's Teaching Fellows may participate in either an academic-year symposia or an intensive summer symposium, which are held at the Institute of Higher Education (UGA). Past symposia have addressed numerous topics in using technology in the classroom and other pedagogical innovations.

Congratulations to **Suzanna Roman-Oliver**, Teacher Education, and **Omolola Ologunorisa**, History and Geography, who were chosen to participate in this competitive program for the upcoming year!

For more information on the program please contact the Center for Teaching and Learning at x 2520.

Student Rating of Instruction (SRIS)

As the semester draws to an end, remember to allow time in class for students to complete their SRIS.

While an 80% or higher response rate is desirable, 65% is the *minimum* for dependable results to be considered statistically significant. Research and best practice consistently show that the most significant factor in increasing participation in online student rating surveys is for faculty to **express and demonstrate** how the results are essential and used in making meaningful course change(s). The next most influential factor is to **set aside time to complete** the survey.

School of Continuing and Professional Studies: Faculty & Staff Reception

Please join the School of Continuing and Professional Studies for a Faculty & Staff reception.

Wednesday, April 12, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. in the Pat Peterson Museum Education Room.

Beer, wine, and lite refreshments will be served while details will be shared about the Collaboration Award. R.S.V.P. at <https://forms.office.com/r/BPQ7YNWIMS>

Commencement Ceremonies-May 5th and 6th, 2023

May 2023 commencement ceremonies will be held by college in the University Centennial Center and will include both graduate and undergraduate students. Students may only participate in the ceremony for their respective college.

College of Health Sciences: Friday, May 5-2:00pm

College of Education: Friday, May 5-7:00pm

College of Business and Technology: Saturday, May 6-9:00am

College of Arts & Sciences: Saturday, May 6-2:00pm

For more information, please visit the Office of the Registrar - [May Commencement](#).

Academic Centers and Institutes

Georgia College & State University operates several academic centers and institutes. The goal of these entities is to engage faculty and students while advancing the academic mission of the university.

- [Aquatics Science Center](#)
- [Center for Design and E-Commerce](#)
- [Center for Economic Education](#)
- [Center for Georgia Studies](#)
- [Center for Health and Social Issues](#)
- [Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship](#)
- [Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy](#)
- [Science Education Center](#)

- [Andalusia Institute](#)
- [Rural Studies Institute](#)

Posters at the Capitol

The *Fifth Annual Posters at the Capitol* took place on Monday, February 27th. Georgia College & State University was tied for sending the most projects (5) and the most students (7).

It was an excellent event that showcase the exceptional work of our students at the university.

For more information:
<https://vimeo.com/803100044>