Political Engagement: Anytime, Everywhere

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Engage Who? Engage How?

It's not about

But about

and
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 School Website

- Graduate Student Association
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”

Georgia Council of Graduate Schools

Association of state graduate schools to advocate within 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

Pathways Through Graduate School and Into Careers
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