



Postdoctoral Affairs

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UGA Postdoc Newsletter

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A publication of the UGA Office of Postdoctoral Affairs with announcements and opportunities in support of our postdoc community.

Visit the [Postdoc Portal](#).

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Chat with us on WhatsApp

We have created a postdoc WhatsApp group to allow postdocs to connect informally with each other. If you are interested in joining the group, please provide your information [here](#).

Featured Announcements

Information session on immigration & visas: Session III: CV Development Strategies for Potential Permanent Resident Applications

Date: November 18th, 11:00AM-12:00 PM

Venue: Vet Med 1070 0311 and on Zoom (*link will be provided a couple of days prior to the event*)

Other Events

UGA Faculty Affairs | Creating a Sustainable Writing Practice & Faculty Writing Retreat - *Postdocs are invited to sign up for these writing programs from Faculty Affairs.*

Here are two opportunities to support your writing productivity:

1. Creating a Sustainable Writing Practice Program, Spring 2023; **Deadline to apply:** Monday, November 14, 2022 | [APPLY HERE](#)
2. Faculty Writing Retreat, May 10, 2023; **Deadline to apply:** Friday, April 21, 2023 | [REGISTER HERE](#) (Capped at 50 with a waitlist)

Postdoctoral Scholar Domestic and Foreign Travel Program

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is pleased to launch the [Postdoctoral Scholar Domestic and Foreign Travel Funds Program](#). This program provides matching funds for active UGA postdocs to present their current research at national and international academic conferences. Matching funds (at least 1:1) must be identified and may be provided by the postdoc's research mentor/supervisor, unit, or college, or by an external travel award or grant. The maximum funding from the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is **\$1,500** per domestic trip or **\$2,000** per international trip. Applications will be reviewed in quarterly intervals, with deadlines on the second

Tuesday of August, November, February, and May. **The next deadline will be November 8th, 2022.**

International Coffee Hour with KUSA (Korean Undergraduate Student Association)

A weekly program that brings UGA students, faculty staff and community members together for coffee and international cuisine. Excluding scheduled University breaks, this event occurs **every Friday of the fall and spring semesters from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm**. This event is located in the Memorial Hall Ballroom. More info can be found [here](#).

Athens, GA Events (non UGA affiliated events):

An event calendar for local events in Athens can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

Postdoc Spotlight: Introducing our Postdocs

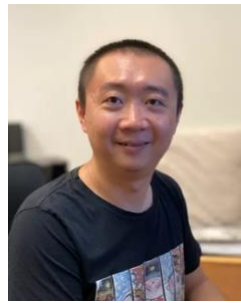
This section of the newsletter is dedicated to introducing the amazing and diverse body of postdoctoral researchers working at UGA. Each month, the PDA will introduce 1-2 of our postdocs. If you are interested, please contact the PDA (pdassoc@uga.edu) with a short biography (~ 100 words) and a photo. In your biography, you can include what is your current affiliation at UGA and research, where you completed your PhD, what was the focus of your PhD thesis/dissertation, any professional experience prior to UGA, etc. You can also add information about your background (e.g., where you are originally from) and your hobbies beyond academia. Feel free to share your professional website and/or social media if you like.



Kyle Dahlin

*Postdoctoral Research Associate
Center for the Ecology of Infectious Diseases
Odum School of Ecology*

I am a postdoc in the Drake lab. I use mathematical models to try to understand how life history traits and ecological interactions shape the processes of infectious disease transmission. I received my Ph.D. in Mathematics from Purdue University in 2020. My dissertation covered mathematical modeling of the transmission of mosquito-borne pathogens of wildlife. I am currently working on a project aiming to identify which traits make an animal species more likely to be a reservoir for zoonotic diseases.



Ran Zhou

*Postdoctoral Research Associate
Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources
Department of Genetics
Department of Plant Biology*

I am a postdoc in Dr. CJ Tsai's lab, a forest functional genomics laboratory. I received my Ph.D. from West Virginia University in 2020 and my dissertation was on deciphering the genetics of sex-determination systems in willow and poplar trees. Here, I am trying to understand the function of repetitive DNAs in a hybrid poplar tree genome, as well as how the flowering time and the development of unisexual flowers could be regulated in plants with various approaches. Email: Ran.Zhou@uga.edu

UGA Events and Opportunities

[Professional Education Portal \(PEP\)](#): use your UGA credential to access the portal.

The summer schedule includes virtual and in-person classes related to:

- Mental Health and Well-being
- Unconscious Bias
- Human Trafficking Awareness
- Diversity Inclusion and Belonging
- Time Management
- Leadership

[Office of Experiential Professional Development \(xPD\)](#)

The xPD program is designed to support career planning and is open to both graduate students and postdocs. While some information is aimed to support graduate students, many of the resources and topics covered by this office are

applicable to postdocs. We highly encourage postdocs to utilize these on-campus resources, please see below for highlighted events and new resources: Postdocs are invited and welcome to all these events. The [events calendar](#) lists all events and any questions may be directed to Andrew Crain (acrain@uga.edu).

Office of Research

Research Matters

The Office of Research hosts a listserv that shares large funding opportunities and internal competition announcements weekly as well as a calendar of current limited submissions opportunities.

All Funding

[All Funding – Research Matters \(uga.edu\)](#)

The Foundation Relations team

[Foundation Relations Funding Opportunities - UGA Development & Alumni Relations](#)

Limited Submissions

[Limited Submissions – Research Matters \(uga.edu\)](#)

Subscribe to Pivot

Pivot is a database of more than 25,000 funding opportunities from numerous sponsors across all disciplines. By signing up, you can create custom funding alerts, share opportunities with groups and save and track opportunities. Anyone with a UGA MyID can access this valuable resource.

Sign up for Weekly Funding Alerts

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UGA Resources

[Aurora](#) via xPD

Video resource library for both faculty and professional career paths.

[Interstride](#) via UGA Career Center

Career development platform focused on International job searching and visa information

[UGA I-Corps](#) via NSF Innovation Corps

Hands-on training in research commercialization

Available Resources

UGA Postdoctoral Resources

- [UGA Postdoc Portal](#)
- [Office of Research](#)
- [Postdoc Policy](#)

- [UGA Research Funding Alerts & Announcements](#)
- [UGA Research News](#)
- [UGA Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate Programs](#)

UGA Office of Research

Research Matters

Research Matters is a compilation of UGA research news items, including funding opportunities and other announcements, relevant to researchers, research administrators and their staff at the University of Georgia. Research Matters is disseminated monthly to [subscribers](#).

Research Matters Live

The Office of Research will offer a series of remote presentations by Research administrators and personnel to help UGA researchers navigate the challenges that face them during this unprecedented time. These short, targeted Zoom sessions are intended to answer your questions without burdening your day—each presentation will last 15-20 minutes, with additional time for Q&A. Sessions are also archived for later viewing.

UGA Postdoc Portal Career Development

Postdoc Fellowships and Positions

- [NIH Postdoctoral Training Opportunities](#)
- [NASA Postdoctoral Program](#)
- [NSF Opportunities for Postdoctoral Fellows](#)
- [Johns Hopkins University – Postdoctoral Funding Opportunities](#): This is a continuously updated repository of federal and private funding opportunities that are intended for postdoctoral investigators. The opportunities are pre-sorted chronologically and alphabetically and can be searched by funding amount and subject matter.
- [American Cancer Society](#)
- [Nature Jobs](#)
- [Science Careers AAAS](#)
- [HigherEd Jobs](#)
- [Internships and Fellowships in Science and Technology Policy](#)

Additional Postdoctoral Resources

- [National Postdoctoral Association](#)
- [Postdoc Academy](#)
- [Inside Higher Ed](#)
- [The Chronicle of Higher Education](#)
- [National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity](#)

Diversity Resources

If you would like to learn more about available UGA resources on campus concerning discrimination, diversity, and disability services, the [Office of Institutional Diversity](#) (OID) at UGA can provide further information and links. The Office of Institutional Diversity leads the university in fulfilling its commitment to be a diverse campus that is enriched and informed by the personal, cultural, and intellectual differences of its students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Diversity resources available at UGA can be found [here](#). The [Office of Human Resources](#) can also provide further information concerning disability services and accommodations at UGA as well as other work-related issues.

[Minority Postdoc](#) also provides a comprehensive collection of resource links, events, and opportunities.

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