

# AUXILIARY ROUNDUP



N E W S L E T T E R



*Auxiliary Roundup Newsletter will be taking a break for the summer but will be returning for the Fall 2021 semester!*

## NEWS UPDATES

### Ladies Golf League offered at the UGA Golf Course

**T**he Ladies University Golf Association (LUGA) is offering current and prospective women golfers an opportunity to get involved by joining the Ladies Golf League. The Ladies Golf League is an association of women golfers of all ages and abilities, with a purpose to promote the game of golf to a wider audience. The league offers a fun and welcoming atmosphere at the UGA Golf Course. No association with the University is necessary. For more information, visit [golfcourse.uga.edu](http://golfcourse.uga.edu) or contact Clint Udell at [cudell96@uga.edu](mailto:cudell96@uga.edu) or by calling (706) 369-5946.

### Departmental parking passes will be available soon for purchase on UGAMart

**D**epartments on campus will now find it easier to purchase departmental parking passes on UGAMart while receiving invoices in a fast and timely manner with a significant reduction in paper waste. Auxiliary Services' Finance Department, in partnership with the UGA Procurement Office, Transportation and Parking Services, Auxiliary IT, and the One Stop Shop, have streamlined the purchasing of UGA departmental parking passes and transferred the process online to UGAMart.

### STAFF PERKS



## PERKS AT WORK

As a UGA employee, you have access to Perks at Work where you can find exclusive savings and resources from a wide variety of merchants. Discounts are available on electronics, home items, auto, food, taxes, and travel just to name a few. There are also resources for your well-being and the Community Online Academy that offers new courses on a variety of subjects. To gain access to these perks click [here](#) and login using your MyID.

# ***Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month***

## ***DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION***

### ***A Reason to Celebrate***

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Auxiliary HR

**W**hat thoughts come to mind when you think of the month of May...Warm Weather? End of the semester? Graduation? Down Time? Or perhaps some of us are looking forward to the holidays that we get to celebrate like Cinco De Mayo and Memorial Day, but there are more reasons to celebrate and heighten our sense of awareness that goes beyond our initial thoughts.

May was dedicated as the time to celebrate Asian Pacific American heritage in 1979 and in 1992, it was proclaimed that May was officially designated as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month which was later changed to Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in 2009. It is during the month of May that we recognize the contributions and influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders that helped to shape our society. The month of May was selected to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the U.S. in May 1843 and the completion of the transcontinental railroad in May 1869 that was made possible by thousands of Chinese laborers. (asiasociety.org)

In acknowledging their contributions to our society, it is also important to bring awareness to the struggles, hatred, and oppression that Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have faced just as other marginalized groups. There have been more than 3,800 anti-Asian racist incidents in the past year. In celebrating their progress, we must remember that we can still do better in our treatment of one another. Within Auxiliary Services, one of our "Elevate in Action" service standards is "Treat Your UGA and F&A Family with Care". We should expand this standard beyond our work lives and remember to treat everyone with care.

May is a time to learn, listen, and reflect on the sacrifice and contributions made by Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. It is a time to go beyond what was taught in our history classes or what we have seen on television and take time to experience a culture unlike our own first-hand. In looking for ways to celebrate, you could observe Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month by cooking a traditional recipe or visiting a traditional local restaurant to support their business. Join in on social media celebrations or take some time to meet someone new. Introduce yourself and express your interest in learning more about the culture of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. If you are interested in fully engaging in the celebration, a calendar of daily events is provided [here](#).

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***Commit to Staying Safe, Bulldogs! Stay diligent with hand washing, social distancing and masking up to help slow the spread of COVID-19.***

**DAWG CHECK** 

**CHECK UP BEFORE  
YOU SHOW UP.**

# COVID-19 Vaccine Update

## *UHC updates vaccine, surveillance, and DawgCheck policies*

### Vaccines

The University Health Center (UHC) is vaccinating any member of the UGA community who wants to be vaccinated, and that service will continue over the summer. If you will not be in the Athens area, there are many alternate vaccination sites located throughout the state where you will be able to obtain or complete the vaccine series. However, you will be able to be served by the University Health Center, even after the May commencement ceremonies, should a return to Athens be more convenient for you. All three current vaccines are offered at the UHC, and access to the Johnson and Johnson vaccine will resume by May 3, if not sooner. Students and employees should not delay getting vaccinated! Make your appointment via the [UHC Vaccine Portal](#).

### Surveillance

Surveillance testing will continue in the summer. Since the UHC anticipates demand for testing to decline, testing will be relocated from Legion Field to the University Health Center on Monday, May 17. For the safety of your family and friends, please consider getting tested prior to leaving campus for the summer if you are not fully vaccinated. Appointments will continue to be booked via the Vet View scheduling process, and the Veterinary Diagnostic Lab will continue to perform the tests.



### DawgCheck

As of Monday, May 17, UHC will discontinue the daily e-mail reminder to perform the DawgCheck symptom screener. However, they encourage you to stay at home if you become ill or until you have excluded COVID-19 as the cause of your symptoms. UGA adheres to current CDC quarantine and isolation guidelines and requires that it be followed. If you receive a positive test for COVID-19, you must continue to report it through the DawgCheck Test Reporting Survey.

For more information, visit [uhs.uga.edu](https://uhs.uga.edu).

## **Beyond the Classroom – helping students gain experiential learning opportunities in Auxiliary**

**F**rom student accounting interns to marketing ambassadors, Experiential Learning opportunities are available in many of our Auxiliary units. Experiential Learning is a key 2025 strategic goal for both the University of Georgia and Auxiliary Services. Setting a goal to reach new heights of excellence in teaching and learning, we aim to ready students for their future.

Through Experiential Learning positions in Auxiliary Services, students can expand their knowledge of classroom principles in real world settings. Our Marketing & Communications team utilizes Experiential Learning in their student ambassador and graphic design positions with a focus on leadership.

Allie White, a Marketing Assistant with Auxiliary Services' Marketing and Communications Department, utilized Experiential Learning when she was a student. "As a marketing major, working with the Marketing and Communications team provided me with valuable insights into how we utilize marketing in the real world," she explained. "I was able to take things I was learning about social media, content development, brand

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# SPOTLIGHT ON STEPPING STONES



Since 2016, Auxiliary Services has provided team members the opportunity to broaden their knowledge of Auxiliary Services and grow their individual skills and abilities through the Stepping Stones program.

When the COVID-19 pandemic struck in early 2020, Trevor Maddox, a retail assistant manager with Dining Services at the time, heard Mike Perkins, IT associate director for Auxiliary, speak on data analytics during an Auxiliary Connections Zoom session. Trevor had begun working full time with Auxiliary Services while pursuing a degree in logistics, materials, and supply chain management from the Terry College of Business. Looking to learn more about how data analytics could be applied in the workplace, Trevor reached out to Mike and was encouraged to apply for the Stepping Stones program.

“The Stepping Stones program, along with the Business Analytics team, have had a life changing impact on my professional career,” explained Trevor. After gaining a better understanding and knowledge of business analytics and the Qlik Sense platform, Trevor decided to start pursuing roles outside the traditional operations and supply-chain management that came with his degree.

“I knew that what I wanted in my career wasn’t what it was prior to the Stepping Stones program,” explained Trevor. “I started sending out applications with my updated resume to operations analytics, supply chain analytics, and demand planning roles [and] with the addition of business analytics on my resume, the help of the Business Analytics team, and the Stepping Stones program, I had many opportunities and companies pursuing me for roles that I knew I could thrive in.” Post-graduation, Trevor accepted a position with Mohawk Flooring and works to improve operational efficiencies through data analytics.

Employees across Auxiliary Services have participated in a variety of Stepping Stones assignments. Projects in Auxiliary Services Administration, Information Technology, Marketing and Communications, Golf Course, Dining Services, Transportation and Parking Services, and Vending Services provide a wide range of opportunities relating to various career fields. To learn more about the Stepping Stones Program, visit [auxiliary.uga.edu/stepping-stones](http://auxiliary.uga.edu/stepping-stones) or reach out to Claudia Stephens at [claudias@uga.edu](mailto:claudias@uga.edu) or 706.542.7933 if you have any questions.



## Call for Submissions

Do you have an example of someone (or a group) who has inspired others, provided exceptional customer service or exemplifies our Elevation in Action standards?

If so, email [abrannen@uga.edu](mailto:abrannen@uga.edu) for their story to be in an upcoming edition of the Auxiliary Roundup.

management, and public relations and use them in my daily tasks as an Auxiliary Ambassador,” she furthered.

“It’s great that we can give back to our student employees by providing them with leadership opportunities that ultimately reflect the real-world work experience they gained at Auxiliary to future employers,” explained Allison Brannen, Marketing and Communications Director for Auxiliary Services.

In Finance, students can gain Experiential Learning credit by assisting in financial analysis, month-end closing duties, as well as in accounts payable and receivable. Lisa Catanese, Financial Director for Auxiliary Services, explained that “This [opportunity] assists accounting students in developing their skill set to include on their resume for future job opportunities once they graduate.”

Many units within Auxiliary Services already utilize Experiential Learning in their student positions. To set up a new position in your department, the proposed position must meet the standards set by the Experiential Learning Office. “To have a student position qualify for Experiential Learning, you first submit a proposal to have the activity included on the Experiential Learning transcript,” explained Allison Brannen. “The EL office is easy to work with and they provide a proposal guide to help you describe how the student will gain learning outcomes in areas such as engagement, mentorship, challenge, ownership, and social awareness. Once the activity is approved, you have access to the EL dashboard where you can add and manage information about the program and participants.” For more information on how your unit can utilize Experiential Learning, visit [el.uga.edu](http://el.uga.edu) or to receive a proposal [form](#), contact the Office of Experiential Learning at [ugael@uga.edu](mailto:ugael@uga.edu).



## Resources for Student Well-being

**W**e know this has been a tough year, but springtime is upon us, and we’re close to wrapping up another academic year. UGA has many resources to support students as we enter these last few weeks of the semester. In addition to accessing the resources below, we encourage you to try the following tips as you take care of your own wellbeing and those around you:

- ▶ Check in with friends.
- ▶ Get outside, enjoy the warmer weather and get some fresh air. Create boundaries for yourself on social media and limit its use.
- ▶ Get 7-8 hours of sleep each day. You’ll experience better concentration, improved mood and have less anxiety.
- ▶ Engage! Get connected and get involved. (Check out the UGA Master Calendar, the UGA Involvement Network and search lists of things to do around Athens.)

If you need emotional or academic support, please contact Student Care and Outreach, Counseling & Psychiatric Services (CAPS) or other support available on campus. UGA offers a couple of virtual mental health resources through Therapy Assistance Online (TAO) and a partnership with Christie Campus Health. You can reach CAPS by phone at 706-542-2273. If you would prefer to talk to a non-UGA counselor, Christie Campus Health offers a 24/7 support line at 833-910-3371. For a more comprehensive listing of resources, please visit UGA’s Student Resources for Wellbeing or the UGA Mental Health Initiative.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## May 4-May 12:

TPS will run [Finals bus service](#)

## May 10:

Georgia Tax Commissioners Outing at UGA Golf Course

## May 11:

Snelling closes at 8:00 p.m., reopens in August, O-House closes at 9:00 p.m., reopens May 17 for May Session, The Niche closes at 2:30 p.m., reopens in August

## May 12:

TPS will run [Interession bus schedule](#) until June 10th

## May 13-14:

Due to Commencement we will be limiting bus service. More information can be found [HERE](#), please plan accordingly

## May 14:

The Village Summit closes at 9:00 p.m., reopens in June

## May 15:

Bolton closes at 8:00 p.m., reopens in June

## May 17:

O-House opens at 7:00 a.m. for May Session

## May 17-18:

GHSA AAAA State Championships  
Golf Course closed all day

## May 19-20:

Dining Services Job Fair at Bolton 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

## May 28:

The Cottage Outing at UGA Golf Course ([More info here](#))

May 29-May 30: Southeastern Junior Golf Tour- Golf Course closed all day

## May 31:

Memorial Day – All residential dining units closed, No transit service

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Have you ever thought of a new customer enhancement or ways to improve our services? We would love to hear your ideas!

Please submit your thoughts [here](#).