



## The University of Georgia

**UGA** is the oldest state chartered University in the United States, with 225 years of excellence in instruction, research and service. The University's history began in 1785, when the General Assembly of Georgia set aside 40,000 acres of state land to endow an institution of higher learning. The University was established at its present site in Athens in 1801. Since that time, the University has grown and has broadened its educational offerings to meet the needs of new generations of students and the requirements of an increasingly complex society. The traditional buildings of the North Campus have been preserved at the same time that the South Campus and, more recently, the East Campus have been expanded with modern structures. The University's farms, forests, seashore preserves, experiment stations and international residential campuses extend the boundaries even farther. Today the University is a major research institution with more than 7,100 graduate students. Increased international competition for intellectual resources has underscored the need for the United States to have a highly educated leadership and workforce. The Graduate School supports the University of Georgia's three strategic directions: building the new learning environment, maximizing research opportunities and competing in a global economy.



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