I remember assembling our external relations team in January 2017 to talk about the important year looming ahead – 2018 – and the celebration of the beginning of family and consumer sciences as we are known today at UGA. We asked ourselves why should we celebrate 100 years at UGA and what would we hope to achieve. We settled on several compelling reasons. We wanted to know who were the key players and what they overcame to enroll as the first class of undergraduate women in UGA.

Many of those answers were brought into sharp focus through the exhibit at the UGA Special Collections Libraries and in publishing our pictorial history book, “100 Years Enriching Lives: Family and Consumer Sciences at UGA.”

And I remember we debated most fiercely how to create quality experiences to engage others, to foster a positive reputation and advance the knowledge of our deeply-held commitment to a discipline borne of caring for the human condition and applying science to meet the needs of individuals and families.

Along with the hard-working FACS Alumni Association Board of Directors, we shaped the centennial year to reconnect our alumni, former faculty, staff and college leaders who came before us through a shared sense of pride.

Through events, communications and recognition of the FACS 100 Centennial Honorees and Honor Hall recipients at our centennial gala in February, we had a wonderful rallying point.

Through the centennial website, www.fcs.uga.edu/centennial, video and social media, we broadcast messages to show the college in action.

Finally, we agreed our most important rationale was to build capacity for the future.

Our students are our future! Increased resources, improved facilities and other ways to support them should be a by-product of a successful centennial year.

As we continue the centennial theme this fall, please consider supporting the college to ensure a strong future.

While we have generous support throughout the year thanks to our Centennial Sponsors, listed on page 39, and other donors, we are fundraising for the Centennial Endowment for Student Success.

Please consider ways in which you can support our students, and thus help chart our next century, by giving back to the college that shaped your career.
100 Years of Success
A LOOK AT THE MILESTONES AND STORIES BEHIND A CENTURY OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES AT UGA

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Claire de La Serre

Girlhood Experiments with Snails Foreshadow Promising Career in Science

By Cal Powell

Claire de La Serre’s first lab was a dirt and grass-filled box in her backyard in southwest France. There, she raised snails by the dozens, testing different diets on them, weighing them periodically and recording the data. “I was a giant nerd,” she said, laughing. “I’ve just always wanted to know how things work.”

She eventually freed the snails, but her early experiments foreshadowed a promising career in science. De La Serre is now an assistant professor in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences. Based out of the department of foods and nutrition, de La Serre investigates ingestive behavior, specifically how the gut communicates with the brain and the mechanisms that trigger overeating.

“We have signals coming from the gut that tell you to stop eating and we’re finding that those are not working very well anymore when you consume junk food regularly,” de La Serre said. “My research looks at how this could be triggered by inflammation in special (gut) bacteria.”

De La Serre has received funding from both the National Institutes of Health and the United States Department of Agriculture for her work, and won the college’s Early Career Research Award last year. In addition to her research, de La Serre manages a lab of five graduate students and teaches a basic human nutrition course, an upper level class on metabolism and a seminar course to grad students.

“I really enjoy teaching the undergraduate/graduate course on the physiology of obesity because this is my area of research and expertise, and it is usually fairly new to our students,” she said. “I like explaining to them how the brain rewire with weight gain and weight loss and going beyond the idea of the ‘eat less and exercise’ solution for obesity.”

De La Serre’s passion for mentorship and discovery was shaped by her own graduate school experience in Paris in 2006. A visiting speaker, Helen Raybould, gave a talk that ended up being de La Serre’s “a-ha” moment, convincing her to pursue a career in academics.

De La Serre approached Raybould after the talk and asked if she could work in Raybould’s lab at the University of California-Davis as an intern. “My first experiments didn’t work right away but I was getting to something and that was exciting,” de La Serre said.

Following a postdoctoral fellowship at Johns Hopkins University, de La Serre was initially hired as a lecturer in FACS in 2012. “She is brilliant,” said Carolina Cawthon, a Ph.D. candidate working in de La Serre’s lab. “You can look at the body of work that she has produced in a relatively short period of time and see that. But there are plenty of brilliant people who don’t have any ability to help others join their ranks. She really can do that.”

Among the most exciting recent developments in de La Serre’s lab is the arrival on Thanksgiving day of a cohort of “germ free” rats from Europe, which will allow for more advanced research into pathways of overeating. “We’ll be able to do a lot more controlled experiments and pinpointing closer relationships,” de La Serre said. “We’re going to have animals with no microbiota and we can inoculate them with specific microbes and see how their brains react to that. It’s very exciting.”

While de La Serre said she still finds the research fascinating, just as she did as a young girl in France and as a young graduate student in California, she has since discovered that working alongside students is especially gratifying. “I still have that drive of finding something, but it’s even more rewarding when the students are the ones figuring things out,” she said.
Claire de La Serre

Assistant Professor
College of Family and Consumer Sciences
M.S., Life Sciences Engineering, AgroParisTech, France, 2008
M.S., Physiology and Nutrition, AgroParisTech, France, 2008
Ph.D., Physiology and Nutrition, AgroParisTech, France, 2011
At UGA: Since 2012

Photo Credit: Peter Frey
Maria Bermudez came to the U. S. from Honduras as a 2-year-old, settling with her family in Texas. That relatively short trip made a lasting impact on Bermudez’s life. “I’m an immigrant, and for me, that experience has been so central to my research,” she said. “I’ve always been focused on Latino family resilience. It drives me every day.”

Bermudez, an associate professor in the FACS department of human development and family science, is a co-principal investigator on an interdisciplinary project launched last year, Lazos Hispanos (“Hispanic Links”), aimed at bolstering the local Latino community.

Funded by the UGA President’s Interdisciplinary Seed Grant Program, Lazos Hispanos seeks to enhance health and well-being within the Athens Latino community by facilitating greater access to resources.

Hispanics make up 11 percent of the Athens-Clarke County population and nearly a quarter of the local school district, but barriers still exist for them when trying to access community health, education and legal resources, Bermudez said. “There’s a lot of fear and anxiety around seeking social services; even about calling the police for help, going to the doctor or getting involved with their children’s schools,” she said.

Central to the project is the work of nine “promotoras,” or Spanish-speaking outreach workers recruited from within the local Latino community.

The promotoras underwent extensive training in leadership, advocacy, data management and engagement skills after the program was launched in October 2017. Lazos Hispanos also has partnered with 12 community-based collaborators including groups such as the Advantage Behavioral Health Systems, Mercy Clinic, Project Safe, the Georgia Legal Services Program and the UGA ASPIRE Clinic.

“The promotoras model is effective because we are working with people already identified as leaders by the community members,” Bermudez said. “Many of them are bilingual and they are trusted in the Latino community, which is a big issue. With all of us working together – UGA researchers, the promotoras, our community partners – we are a powerful team.”

Early results were encouraging, with the promotoras accounting for nearly 200 referrals made for either healthcare or social services such as legal or immigration assistance.

The interdisciplinary research team is now seeking funding from external sources to keep the program going beyond what the initial seed grant funded. “We know that health disparities exist and this is an important way we can reduce those disparities,” Bermudez said.

“I think in Athens in general, we have a spirit that everybody matters, that we are one community, so when access to resources seem to be more available to some people and not to others, that’s a problem. I see our community-based research project and service work as not just strengthening the lives of Latinos and their families, but as a means to strengthen our entire community.”

Lazos Hispanos includes faculty from the School of Social Work; the College of Public Health; the J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development; the School of Law; the College of Pharmacy, and the College of Education.

To personally support the Lazos Hispanos program, visit the following link: https://dar.uga.edu/funder/campaigns/lazos-hispanics/

- Cal Powell
**FACS’ Bailey** leads international effort backed by **Gates Foundation**

FACS researcher **Lynn Bailey** is leading an international effort to reduce neural tube defects, such as spina bifida, in developing countries that is backed by a $734,437 grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to the hosting organization, Nutrition International.

Bailey, a noted expert in folate research and head of the FACS department of foods and nutrition, is chair of an expert advisory group assembled last year by Nutrition International to develop a “roadmap for action” for preventing NTDs.

The group is charged with building global capacity for folate testing laboratories in low and middle-income countries along with effective folic acid fortification programs and NTD-surveillance systems to document the effectiveness of these approaches to prevent NTDs. The term of the initial phase of funding is 18 months.

Bailey was chosen to lead the group due to a lifetime of work in the research of folate, an essential B vitamin required for DNA synthesis and normal growth and development.

Maternal folate deficiency within the first month of pregnancy is a major cause of NTDs, with a global estimate of around 260,000 affected pregnancies annually.

It’s predicted that developing countries are most likely to have lower folate status and thus be at much higher risk of NTDs. These impoverished countries also present the most challenges in assessing folate status, implementing folic acid intervention programs and establishing birth defect surveillance programs.

Bailey, who was part of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration committee that recommended folic acid fortification to the U.S. government in the mid-1990s to prevent NTDs, served as lead author or co-author on three of these recently published papers.

“The exciting thing about this opportunity is it brings together individuals who have boots on the ground in developing countries and really understand what’s workable in a low-resource environment where the NTD risk is very high,” Bailey said.

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**targeting cancer with magnets**

With the goal of reducing the toxic side effects of chemotherapy, researchers in FACS have developed a noninvasive way to deliver the drugs directly to tumors using magnetic forces.

Chemotherapy patients frequently experience hair loss, fatigue and appetite changes as a result of the treatment. Led by textiles, merchandising and interiors graduate student **Andrey Zakharchenko**, researchers from FACS and Clarkson University in New York first created nanoparticles that can act as drug carriers or enzymes.

When a weak magnetic field is applied, the nanoparticles merge, releasing the drugs directly at the site of the tumor.

The study, published in Nature Catalysis, is the first in vitro experiment to use magnetic forces to deliver cancer-killing medication without causing harm to surrounding healthy cells.

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**HISTORIC "HOUSE B" TO BE RENAMED**

The historic “House B” is getting a facelift – and a new name – courtesy of the Charles Schwab Foundation, which has committed $575,000 toward a major renovation project within the college’s Financial Planning Research Center.

In addition to the Schwab commitment, three Schwab-affiliated firms in Atlanta – SignatureFD, TrueWealth Management and Homrich Berg Wealth Management – have committed a total of $100,000 to the project.

One of the original home management houses, the new Charles Schwab Financial Planning Center will provide world-class facilities for training the next generation of financial planning professionals. A formal ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for April 11.

Shown here during recent prep work are Dean Fox with representatives from the department of financial planning, housing and consumer economics: Department head Sheri Worthy, faculty member Kenneth White, graduate students Kimberly Watkins and Dana Carney and faculty member Joseph Goetz.
Faculty News

Worthy Appointed First Recipient of Nickols Professorship

Sheri Worthy has been appointed as the first Samuel A. and Sharon Y. Nickols Professor.

Worthy, head of the FACS department of financial planning, housing and consumer economics, has served in her current role since 2013. Her research interests include consumer vulnerability, savings and financial risk-taking behaviors.

Nickols served as dean of the college from 1991-2006, a time of tremendous growth and accomplishments.

“During her career, Dr. Nickols made major contributions to our discipline through her ecosystems research, and the Nickols family has continuously supported the profession,” Worthy said. “I hope to continue in that tradition and promote family and consumer sciences through my teaching, research and service to the profession. This professorship will help me do that.”

Cude Named Georgia Athletic Association Professor

Brenda J. Cude, a professor in the FACS department of financial planning, housing and consumer economics, has been named a Georgia Athletic Association Professor in Family and Consumer Sciences.

Cude, who serves as director of the UGA Center for Economic Education, researches consumer decision-making with an emphasis on the personal financial literacy of college students. She has been widely published and is a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Consumer Affairs.

She is a FACS 100 Centennial Honoree and was named the FACS Outstanding Teacher of the Year in 2007. In addition, Cude received the Educator of the Year Award from the Direct Selling Education Foundation last year and was inducted into the UGA Teaching Academy in 2008.

Cude received her doctorate in consumer economics from Purdue and has been a member of the FACS faculty since 1998.

The Athletic Association Professorship II is awarded for a term of four years to a faculty member in FACS with an “outstanding national reputation” and one who is a leading scholar in the field.

Faculty member K.A.S. Wickrama from the department of human development and family science held this professorship from 2014-18.

Longtime Faculty Member Johnson Takes Position At Nebraska

Mary Ann Johnson, a FACS 100 Centennial Honoree and member of the FACS faculty since 1983, has accepted the position of Jean Sundell Tinstman Professor of Nutrition and Chair of the Department of Nutrition and Health Sciences in the College of Education and Human Sciences at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Johnson retired from her position as Flatt Professor in Foods and Nutrition in August.

Among her many accomplishments, Johnson is a two-time recipient of the department’s Teacher of the Year award and received the Creswell Award from the FACS Alumni Association in 2014.

Johnson said she is excited for the opportunity and grateful for the college’s support toward helping raise awareness of the importance of nutrition and health through partnerships with the Northeast Georgia Area Agency on Aging, the Georgia Division of Aging Services and the American Society for Nutrition.

“I’ve enjoyed my time with UGA, especially teaching everyone from freshmen to doctoral students, mentoring graduate students and post-docs, partnering with researchers and practitioners in nutrition and aging across the college and campus,” Johnson said.

New Faculty

Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics

Dee Warmath, Assistant Professor

Warmath researches financial well-being, shared decision-making, consumption, motivation and life satisfaction.

She comes to FACS from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she served as assistant professor since 2014.

She received her doctorate from the University of Wisconsin School of Human Ecology, with a minor in Marketing.

Kristy Archuleta, Associate Professor

Archuleta serves as editor of the Journal of Financial Therapy, is a co-founding board member and past-president of the Financial Therapy Association and a co-founder of Kansas State University’s Institute of Personal Financial Planning and Therapy Clinic.

A licensed marriage and family therapist, Archuleta comes to FACS having served as program director of the Personal Financial Planning program within KSU’s School of Family Studies and Human Services since 2015.

She received her Ph.D. in marriage and family therapy with an emphasis in personal financial planning from Kansas State University, where FACS faculty member John Grable was one of her co-major professors.

Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors

Jewon Lyu, Assistant Professor

Lyu, previously an assistant professor of fashion merchandising at Kent State University, earned her doctoral degree from the University of Tennessee with a concentration in retailing and consumer sciences.

Her research focus is on consumer behaviors in the areas of advanced communication technologies such as social media platforms. She will begin at FACS in January.

Human Development and Family Science

Kalsea Koss, Assistant Professor

Koss comes to FACS after serving as associate research scholar at Princeton University’s Bendheim-Thoman Center for Research on Child Wellbeing.

She received her doctorate in developmental psychology from the University of Notre Dame.

Her research focuses on the interaction of genetics and parenting.
**Human Development and Family Science**

Dina Costa Treff, assistant teacher from the Child Development Lab at the McPhaul Center, received the 2018 Terri Lynne Lokoff/Children’s Tylenol National Child Care Teacher of the Year Award. Graduate student Stephanie Armes was selected to receive the 2018 Karen Wampler Scholarship and Research Award and the Price-Coker Excellence in Research Award.

**Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics**

Kenneth White and Jerry Shannon were selected for the CTL Lilly Teaching Fellows program for 2017-2019. White also was selected as a 2017-18 Service-Learning Fellow. Brenda Cude was named the Direct Selling Education Foundation Educator of the Year.

The Governor’s Office appointed UGA to replace the Georgia Department of Community Affairs as the new state administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s State Indoor Radon Grant, led by Pamela Turner.

Recent Ph.D. graduates, Ji Young Jung and Judith Aboagye were awarded a 2017 Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant from the UGA Graduate School to support innovation and interdisciplinary research.

**Foods and Nutrition**

Leann Birch was awarded multiple grants from the National Institute of Health totaling $6 million for studies focused on Responsive Parenting intervention designed to reduce obesity risk in infants and children.

Rob Pazdro was awarded two NIH grants totaling $2 million for multiple projects that will use innovative genetic tools in a mouse model to investigate the mechanisms that control the body’s antioxidant system designed to reduce disease risk.

Rick Lewis and Emma Laing received funding from the Egg Nutrition Center to conduct the collaborative study “Egg Consumption, Skeletal Health, and Cognition in Obese and Normal Weight Children: A Randomized-Controlled Feeding Trial.”

Jung Sun Lee and the SNAP-Ed team received approval for $3.6 million in continued funding from the Georgia Department of Human Services that will enable the team to expand the implementation of their innovative nutrition education program to low-income individuals who are eligible to receive SNAP benefits.

Alex Anderson is co-principal investigator on a project funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the objective of which is to first monitor and then improve dietary intake in populations most at risk of malnutrition.

**Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors**

Patti Annis received the International Special Service Award from the America Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) for 30 years of distinguished service and leadership in test method development and promotion. Annis announced her retirement this year after more than 30 years in the college.

Margaret Lauren Gouthro, a rising senior in the Furnishing and Interiors program, placed second in the 2018 Sherwin Williams Student Design Challenge.

Berea Antaki was recognized as a UGA Outstanding Graduate Student of Sustainability.

Smriti Dilliwar and Jaleesa Reed received the 2018 UGA Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award. Graduate student Huipu Gao won first place at the AATCC International Conference Student Paper Competition.

Melissa Landers-Potts, a senior lecturer in the department of human development and family science.

She was the recipient of both the UGA Service-Learning Teaching Excellence Award, created to recognize innovative instruction through the development of academic service-learning opportunities, and the UGA Creative Teaching Award, given to UGA faculty for excellence in developing and implementing creative teaching methods to improve student learning.

Landers-Potts has presented nationally and locally on service-learning and online learning and is a past Online Learning Fellow and Center for Teaching and Learning Writing Fellow. She has engaged hundreds of students both online and in-person through her Adolescent Development service-learning course since 2012.

This year, her students partnered with iPrevail and received hands-on learning as online wellness coaches to share age-appropriate information on human development with adolescents seeking mental health support.

Landers-Potts also received the UGA Student Government Association Annual Professor Recognition Award.
Passion with a Southern Flair

FACS grad Cynthia Hyde, publisher of Southern Distinction Magazine, provides fashion merchandising students hands-on training through internships

By Allison Salerno

Peruse the pages of Southern Distinction magazine, and you will see the passion publisher Cynthia Hyde has for fashion and design.

This year’s bridal issue - the magazine’s 16th and biggest, features 24 carefully curated style shoots. The locations vary from a working farm in the North Georgia mountains to a historic home close to downtown Athens.

During spring semester 2018, several interns from the FACS fashion merchandising program worked behind the scenes with Hyde and her staff to publish the issue.

Hyde, a 1988 FACS graduate, started her regional lifestyle magazine in 2003 after directing the sales and marketing departments of several other magazines in Georgia. The magazine’s headquarters are in an office park in Athens, a short drive from campus.

“I wanted to put out a product that would give business to advertisers and educate readers through more editorial,” she said.

In a market filled with “nothing but ad books,” Hyde crafted a product that is 65 percent editorial and 35 percent ads.

The magazine publishes six times a year, with each volume carrying a different theme. In addition to bridal, Southern Distinction’s volumes cover food and dining; music, arts and Georgia travel; home and garden; regional travel; and medicine.

As of fall 2018, FACS fashion merchandising students are now required to take a course in professional development.

In addition to teaching interview and resume skills, faculty member Clair McClure said she hopes her students will grow in self-assurance.

“My underlying motivation is that they would leave confident,” McClure said. “When they’re confident in who they are, that’s when I get very good feedback from supervisors.”

For the student interns at Southern Distinction, gaining real-world experience at a magazine has proven invaluable.

Alexandra McCluskey of Columbus will graduate in May 2019 with a degree in fashion merchandising. She not only worked on the bridal issue, she also modeled in one of the shoots. Both were new experiences.

“I’ve learned how important it is to have all the details together, and the importance of not stressing,” she said. “But making sure you see things through to the end.”

Hyde “really tries to teach me,” McCluskey added. “I’ve noticed that she takes time out to teach me lessons about the business.”

Courtney Blackwell of Marietta also will graduate in May 2019 with a fashion merchandising degree.

In addition to assisting with style shoots, she helped lay out pages and researched and called potential advertisers.

“I learned about the editorial side of fashion,” Blackwell said. “For example, how everything is so detailed and you have to look at every small detail.”

She said Hyde is “one of the best bosses I’ve ever had because she makes sure you’re learning on the internship and enjoying it.”

“The fashion industry on the business side is mainly run by men,” Blackwell said. “For me, it’s really inspiring to see women having their own businesses and running them successfully.”

Hyde, born in Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma, grew up in Athens. She majored in fashion merchandising and minored in public relations.

“It’s been extremely fun to work with the fashion merchandising department and share my passion for design and clothing,” Hyde said. “It is gratifying to pass on my knowledge to the next generation.”
Cynthia Hyde

Publisher of Southern Distinction Magazine, a Southern lifestyle magazine based out of Athens, Ga.
Major: Fashion Merchandising, 1988

Cynthia Hyde on a photo shoot for the food issue at a small farm in Winder, Ga., as FACS fashion merchandising students Caroline Helfgott (left) and Farah Kitchens assist with social media posts.
ATLANTA – The lieutenant governor is at the well on the senate floor inside the Georgia State Capitol.

He’s saying something, but competing with a steady, low hum of several conversations going on along the walls of the great chamber and at the six rows of tables before him.

Amid this mild chaos, Janelle George is scanning the floor and hallways for senators, from whom she needs signatures for a resolution.

Resolution in one hand, the chamber’s seating chart pulled up on her smart phone in the other, George gracefully navigates the crowded floor, corralling the busy senators one by one and securing their signatures.

“I like being in a fast-paced environment,” she said.

George, a FACS student and legislative aide to Senate Majority Leader Bill Cowsert, definitely came to the right place.

The Georgia State Capitol during the 40-day legislative session is a frenetic, stress-inducing scene for visitors from more casual environs.

For the three students who spent the session in Atlanta as part of the FACS Legislative Aide program – looking to make connections and gain a better understanding of public policy – it is ideal.

“I haven’t had a boring day here,” said sophomore Jake Conner, a dietetics and consumer foods major who spent his semester interning in the office of State Rep. Spencer Frye.

The FACS Legislative Aide program was launched in 1983, the brainchild of then-Dean Emily Quinn Pou, and it all came about by chance, really.

Georgia Rep. Bob Argo was visiting a FACS housing class when he mentioned that representatives at the time did not have offices in the Capitol and had trouble responding to constituents in a timely manner.

Pou, who was present for the lecture
along with faculty member Anne Sweaney, approached Argo afterward to ask if an intern would make things more manageable.

“He said yes,” Sweaney recalled. “He said, ‘Now, I meet in the hallway, but an intern would really help me.’ Dean Pou turned to me and said ‘Do you think you could do that?’ I said, ‘Sure!’ ”

The next year, three FACS students – Esther DeVall, Robin Gary Durbin and Suzie Strickland Tippins – became the first FACS Legislative Aides, assisting the entire
Athens delegation after Pou secured funding. One of the early champions of the program was faculty member Jessie Mize.

The innovative program, now in its 35th year, expanded in 1984 to offer internships in the 10th U.S. Congressional District in Washington, D.C. Since its inception, 181 FACS students have participated in the program.

The program was renamed the Glenn Wilson “Jack” Ellard Legislative Aide program in 2005 in honor of Ellard, the longtime clerk of the Georgia House of Representatives whose widow, Edna, established an endowment that supports it.

“No one was doing it in 1982,” Sweaney said. “It was huge. What’s happened with a lot of those students is they are now (working in) government affairs, they are in law. They had a different view of what family and consumer sciences could contribute to the issues.”

Lauren Smith, a Cedartown native who graduated with a consumer economics degree in May, spent her final semester at UGA interning in the office of Sen. Frank Ginn.

Smith, who had no interest in politics before taking the internship, said the four months she spent in the program shifted her career goals.

“I’ve always wanted to go to law school, but before I started this, I wanted to do private practice,” she said. “But now I really want to work for the public.”

A critical factor in that discovery was an issue that came up during the legislative session involving broadband expansion for rural Georgia.

Fortunately for Smith, Ginn also served as chairman of the Regulated Industries and Utilities committee, giving Smith a closer look at the issues involved.

“I’m from rural Georgia, but I guess I never realized a lot of people in the state don’t have connectivity,” Smith said. “It made me realize there are issues like that where I can help people who really don’t have a voice or don’t live in a metro area.”

“Brad Bohannon
Legislative Aide, 2001
Vice President of Government Relations for the Georgia Lottery Corporation

“The legislative aide program helped shape my career path. The program provided exposure and experience with working in government and solidified my interest. It was not until I concluded the program that I knew I wanted to pursue opportunities working for and with elected officials. I can honestly say I would not be doing what I am today without the program.”

“Brooke Dumont
Legislative Aide, 2016
UGA Law School Student

“The Legislative Aide Program was the experience of a lifetime. It really opened my eyes to the needs of those in our communities across Georgia and motivated me to continue my education in order to help meet those needs in the legal arena. I now am in my last year of law school and plan to pursue a career as a public defender after graduation.”

“Alicia Dickens
Legislative Aide, 2006
Manager of School Health and Wellness, The Dairy Alliance, Atlanta

“The Legislative/Congressional Aide Program was a perfect fit for me. I was able to live in Washington, D.C., for a summer and visit organizations within the dietetics field, attend health symposiums and individually meet with prominent government officials. These experiences allowed me to think differently about existing challenges in my community and gave me an understanding of what I could personally do to help.”
Typical duties for the aides range from fielding incoming phone calls from constituents and lobbyists, responding to emails, hosting visitors, researching bills and tracking down signatures.

There is some monotony involved, the aides noted, but also some considerable perks.

“(Frye) has taken some research I’ve done and had them turned into bills that have bill numbers now that are making their way through session,” Conner said. “It’s really cool to think that something I did just turned into a bill that might help people.”

For George, a consumer economics major and public policy and management minor, the experience opened her eyes to new opportunities post-graduation.

She’s now considering either law school or a master’s of business administration degree, with plans to eventually pursue a career dealing with public policy.

“Through this internship, I’ve learned that everything we are working on on a day-to-day basis actually affects our lives and the future of our state, and I think that’s really cool,” George said. “It has opened so many doors for me and has definitely shown me the direction I want to go.”
ASPIRE Clinic Prepares Students for Careers by Offering Real-Life Experience

By Cal Powell

Dana Carney remembers the anxious moments before her first counseling session with a client. “I was a mess,” she said.

The financial planning student had spent years reading about how to interact with clients seeking financial advice.

She had a general idea of questions to anticipate and had even developed a little script in her head.

“I practiced my intro on my roommate the night before,” she said. “It was not good.”

It turns out the emotions experienced by Carney, a financial service provider at the ASPIRE Clinic, are pretty common.

Through repeated sessions, and time-intensive training with faculty, a common theme emerges: those fears gradually dissipate and students develop more confidence.

“Now,” Carney said, “if I get a new client, the first session is my favorite. Now, it’s more like ‘I want to know everything about you.’ Going from super messy Dana to ‘I’m so excited to meet this new client’ Dana was definitely a huge change I did not see coming.”

The ASPIRE Clinic, established by FACS in 2008 to provide experiential learning opportunities for students and to conduct interdisciplinary and holistic research, is a veritable crucible for future practitioners.

Student service providers in the clinic provide advice on topics ranging from nutrition education to finances to individual, couple and family therapy as well as legal problem solving, offered in partnership with the UGA Law School.

Service providers are graduate students supervised and mentored by Megan Ford, ASPIRE Clinic Coordinator since 2011, and other licensed or certified faculty members.

Some undergraduates in financial planning are involved as well, in partnership with graduate students and faculty.

Here, theories and hypotheticals discussed in the classroom intersect, often shockingly, with real-life clients with real-life problems.

“This is not a problem out of a textbook anymore,” financial planning student Meera Saj said. “You’re actually dealing with people’s lives and that responsibility is heavy on your shoulders.”

The result, Ford said, is a real-life experience that adds depth and value to their education.

“You see this acceleration of their learning and I think they really gain a sense of purpose from being in that role and being relied upon by people,” Ford said.

(From Left to Right) Ashley Walsdorf, a Ph.D. student in marriage and family therapy; Meera Saj, financial planning student service provider; Dana Carney, financial planning student service provider; and Matthew Katz, ASPIRE Clinic intern, all gained valuable experience in the clinic.
The clinic had 49 student service providers representing four different professions working directly with clients in 2017.

Last year, the clinic served more than 250 people, about half of which were from UGA and the other half from the Athens community. Roughly half reported their income as $40,000 a year or less.

While the benefit to the Athens and UGA community is tangible – Ford said clients have come from as far away as Atlanta for low and no-cost services – the impact on the student service providers is immeasurable.

Taylor Newman is pursuing a Ph.D. in the FACS department of foods and nutrition, and even though she completed a dietetic internship at ASPIRE as part of her master’s degree requirements, she decided to continue working with her lone client.

“A lot of students, including myself, really enjoy it, so we stick around and stay with our clients and see how they grow,” Newman said.

The biggest surprise of the experience, Newman said, is the complexity of the issues ASPIRE Clinic clients report.

“You think ‘Oh, I can just hand them a recipe card,’” Newman said. “It’s not that simple. There are so many factors that affect what they eat, and that’s just the tip of the iceberg. There are socioeconomic factors, mental, physical ability, family history, disease state, all these things that affect what they eat. You have to take everything into account.”

The beauty of the clinic, Newman said, is Ford and student service providers from other disciplines collaborate in the same space, allowing for what Ford calls a “cross pollination of knowledge and experience,” ultimately benefiting both the client and student.

In Newman’s case, she was able to consult with a student service provider from financial planning and eventually hold a joint session with the client to create a food budget, one of the areas in which the client needed support.

The holistic, collaborative strategy allows service providers to offer the client a more comprehensive healthcare approach, Newman said.

“Working in ASPIRE has made me realize the complexity of nutrition,” she added. “When you’re in the classroom, you can read about socioeconomic factors and all those things, but until you talk with a person and they continually bring up reasons why it’s not going to work, you’re never going to realize how multi-faceted issues around nutrition can be.”

It’s this “co-therapy” approach that makes the clinic so unique and so effective, said Ashley Walsdorf, a Ph.D. student in the FACS marriage and family therapy program.

“The truth is, for the families who come here, those services aren’t separate for them,” Walsdorf said. “For us to separate them, it’s not how real life works. It’s much more effective to get everyone in a room together. You’re actually talking about all the issues, and that’s been really transformative for me.”
I think one of the wonderful things about this learning experience is it brings this reality to the work that you’ve conceptualized. It’s a great realization to have before you’re a working professional.

Megan Ford,
ASPIRE Clinic Coordinator

Financial planning students and ASPIRE Clinic service providers Muhozi Aimable, Keturah Orji, Dana Carney and Paige Garrison collaborate on strategies to best help their clients.
Bryan Kamau didn’t know what he wanted to do when he entered UGA four years ago.

Late in his freshman year, he took an intro to personal finance class in FACS and knew he had found his home.

His first interaction with actual clients came through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, designed to provide free tax preparation to low-income Athens residents.

Under the supervision of faculty member Lance Palmer, Kamau’s confidence grew. “Getting that hands-on experience with clients made a big difference,” he said. “I gained something from VITA that I don’t think can be replaced.”

That experience prepared him well for his time as a financial service provider at the ASPIRE Clinic.

His time working with clients in the clinic, “seeing a light go off in their head” after explaining a credit score or helping a family create a budget, convinced him he chose the right path.

Emboldened by these experiences, he will begin his career with UBS Wealth Management at its office in New Jersey, grateful for his time in the clinic.

“Just to know I’m making an impact on someone’s life goes so much farther than getting a 100 on a test,” he said. “To see the joy on their face, that was eye opening to me.”
One fine September day in 1918.

University of Georgia Chancellor David Barrow invited 12 women into his office to facilitate their enrollment. A long, protracted effort for undergraduate women to gain admission to the University of Georgia had ended. Those first 12 – Lois and Evelyn and Etta and Edith and Sybil and Mattie – and others – were committed to pursuing home economics education, standing on the shoulders of others before them who pried open the doors to higher education for women.

Together, they dismantled barriers and set in motion a spirit of persistence and problem-solving and outreach that a century later still defines the College of Family and Consumer Sciences.

It is a story worth celebrating.
With the support of State College of Agriculture President Andrew Soule, a bachelor's degree for women is created within the college’s Division of Home Economics. Soule names Mary Ethel Creswell, who previously served as director of the USDA’s Cooperative Extension Service home economics programs in 15 Southern states, as the director of the new division, which includes two faculty members. Twelve women begin classes in September and would graduate in 1920. Creswell would become the first woman awarded a baccalaureate degree from the university in June 1919, based on classes taken at the Normal School in Athens, the University of Chicago and “clandestine” classes at UGA. She would serve as director, then dean of what became the School of Home Economics, until 1945.

A cornerstone is laid for the “women’s building,” which would house the new division upon its completion in 1920. The building contains 37 bedrooms, a gymnasium, a laboratory, classrooms, a lounge and a swimming pool. It is later named Soule Hall in honor of the State College of Agriculture president who advocated for the creation of the division. As part of the program, Georgia Governor Hugh Dorsey gives an address and attendees sing an updated version of “Glory, glory to old Georgia” that includes the lines “Higher education was not meant for men alone … the world is marching on.”

Dawson Hall, named in honor of Edgar Gilmer Dawson, the father of Dr. William Terrell Dawson, is completed in January and houses home economics, applied arts and a cafeteria. A 26,000-square foot addition to the building, later named Speirs Hall in honor of the college’s third dean, begins in 1966 and is completed in 1971. “Pou’s Pillars,” named for Dean Emily Quinn Pou, are added in 1982 and the building’s front entrance is moved to face west.

The division of home economics merges with the State Normal School to form the University of Georgia School of Home Economics. Enrollment in the school peaks at 299 students. Enrollment would top 400 students by 1940.
One of the college’s first Legislative Aides, Robin Gary Durbin credits the program with boosting her sense of courage.

Clad in sweatpants, Robin Gary Durbin planned to quietly turn in a project and avoid much interaction. Dean Emily Quinn Pou had other plans – an idea that would impact not just Durbin’s life, but dozens of other students and legislators for the next three decades and counting.

Unbeknownst to Durbin, Georgia representative Bob Argo, a guest speaker in Dawson Hall that December day in 1983, had just mentioned to Pou the need for office staff in the Capitol to help with correspondence and other tasks.

“I was looking my worst, and Dean Pou

5. Growth and Construction 1939

The fourth home management house, in addition to a Child Development Lab, is completed with funds provided by the federal Works Progress Administration. Construction on the first house, built to provide students with hands-on research opportunities and “laboratory housing in home management” for eight students and an advisor, began in 1932. The residence requirement is eliminated in 1987. The Child Development Lab would be named in honor of Margaret McPhaul, the longtime director of the Nursery School, in 1973. Beginning in 1983, children with disabilities are integrated into classrooms with typically developing children, making it one of the state’s first “inclusive” classrooms.

6. Room for More 1968

Peter Stegmayer becomes the first male student to receive an undergraduate degree in home economics, earning a degree in diet and institution management. In fall 2017, there were 311 males studying in FACS, or about 18 percent of the 1,746 students in the college.

Note: Fall 2017 enrollment figures is the UGA Office of Institutional Research Facts and Figures Census Data and includes all undergraduate and graduate students, duplicated headcount. Enrollment figures from previous years are drawn from the college’s annual reports and UGA fact books.
So much information today is literally at our fingertips, just a few keystrokes, clicks, or a voice command away. Amazing? You bet!

When I needed to learn everything I could about the first 100 years of home economics and family and consumer sciences at UGA, the internet was a valuable tool. But it was not the only one I could rely on.

Preparing to write the centennial pictorial publication, “100 Years Enriching Lives: Family and Consumer Sciences at UGA,” meant uncovering the history of the college from 1918. It required some old-fashioned detective work – spending a good bit of time in the library poring over reports, periodicals, newspaper clippings, diaries, awards, plans, artifacts, photos and correspondence.

Fortunately a good bit of material is available, some of it dating back to the very beginning of home economics at UGA. There’s an amazing collection, stored in 97 boxes, within the vaults of the Hargrett Rare Book and Manuscript Library as part of two centuries of UGA archives and records. Access to the collection is strictly controlled and monitored. Electronic devices – allowed. Pencils, pens, paper, drinks and food – not allowed.

But once you get accustomed to the stringent protocols, it’s easy to access the extensive and phenomenal collection that is so expertly preserved and protected for future generations to enjoy.

Many of the boxes contain documents filled with important facts and figures such as annual reports, memos and other official correspondence.

A subtle, yet distinctive, musty odor is released as many of the oldest cartons are opened. Scattered among these seemingly mundane resources, however, is a treasure trove of engaging, insightful and often personal pieces of history.

There are faded newspaper editorials denouncing the admission of women to the university in 1917. Student posters, faculty and alumni letters both in support of and in opposition to changing the name of the college to Family and Consumer Sciences from the late 1980s are there.

There are handwritten, personal letters from Mary Creswell to her sister Edith, and friends Lurline Collier and Katherine Newton, as well as letters sent from Pakistan by Maude Pye Hood to her friends Mary and Edith Creswell.

Often, I found myself being transported back to a much simpler time. Facts, figures, and dates are an integral part of a historical review. But history is not complete without learning about the people who lived it.

The letters, diaries and photographs provided glimpses into the lives of the dedicated women and men who have helped build FACS at UGA into the great college it is today.

It helped me understand who they were, where they came from, and what motivated their work.

And most importantly, it helped me tell a story of a century of commitment to excellence in education, research and public service. The end result: 144 pages, more than 30,000 words and over 300 photos. As FACS begins its second century, it’s a story I’m confident will live on in the lives of those who love it and are committed to it.
Bridget Weaver Greene is enjoying her recent retirement, relishing the slower pace and doting on her three grandchildren.

When the grandkids are older, Greene will have no shortage of amazing stories to tell them about her life spent breaking barriers.

Greene was part of the first class of African-American students to enroll at Jenkins County High School in Millen, Ga., in the era of integration, graduating as valedictorian in 1972.

That fall, she became one of the first African-Americans to enroll at what was then the School of Home Economics at the University of Georgia.

"It was a turbulent time," Greene said from her home in Statesboro. "One of the things our parents always emphasized, and I'm glad they did, was to make sure you did your part – do your best all the time."

That simple advice served Greene well during incredibly tense times, both on campus and beyond. UGA accepted its first African-American students, Charlayne Hunter-Gault and Hamilton Holmes, in 1961.

"It was a turbulent time," Greene said from her home in Statesboro. "One of the things our parents always emphasized, and I'm glad they did, was to make sure you did your part – do your best all the time."

The reality is Dean Pou was an incredible lady," Durbin said of the college’s fourth dean, who served from 1971-91. "She was quite innovative in every respect. She could charm you and she was very poised – her nickname on campus was the "Steel Magnolia." But she also had very much become a business woman. She saw an opportunity to create something to generate more exposure for the college and provide a great experience for the students."

For Durbin, the experience proved "eye opening."

Barely a decade later, tensions were still high. "I guarantee you in Athens in 1972, there were still plenty of folks who did not welcome us with open arms," Greene said.

Greene, though, said "overall, my experience (at UGA) was good."

"I'm sure part of that is I've always had this kind of go-getter attitude," she said, laughing. "I wasn't a bashful type. I would just tend to overpower a lot of the prejudice with more positive stuff."

A dietetics major, Greene graduated in June 1976, then completed a dietetic internship at the University of California-San Francisco before returning to Georgia to began a career as a clinical dietitian.

She worked at the Veterans Affairs hospital in Dublin and then at hospitals in Statesboro and Savannah.

In 1994, while working full time and raising two sons with her husband, James, she completed a bachelor’s degree in nursing from Georgia Southern.

Thanks in part to credit received for science courses taken during her dietetics program, Greene was able to complete the nursing degree in two years.

Her diverse career has seen her serve in a crisis stabilization unit for substance abuse and mental health clients to teaching classes and performing community outreach via food demonstrations and teaching.

She retired in January.

"I've been having fun," she said. "Believe me, I've really been having fun."

During her time in Athens, Greene worked in a food research lab and became friends with another African-American classmate, Marian Turnipseed, who also graduated in 1976 with a degree in clothing and textiles.

She recalled one particular faculty member with a laugh.

"Dr. Peifer, you talk about a sweetheart!" she said of James Peifer, associate professor from 1971-73 and acting head of the department. "He was quite the character. Stern, but always fair with all the students."

Greene credits the "feisty personality" she inherited from her parents and an ambitious streak for helping her persist – and even thrive – through difficult times.

"In terms of my time at Georgia, I really didn't have any major issues and I actually developed some lasting friendships there," she said. "Part of that was from my upbringing and my parents teaching me I could do anything and I could be anybody – that I just needed to make sure I did my part."
A Ph.D. program in Child and Family Development is approved by the Board of Regents. Lynda Henley Walters received the school’s first doctorate in 1978. Walters would later serve as the college’s associate dean from 1982-91.

A Ph.D. program in foods and nutrition would follow in 1980; the doctorate in textile sciences within the department of textiles, merchandising and interiors begins in 1990, and a Ph.D. in housing and consumer economics begins in 1994.

“The philosophy and thoughtfulness of those who came before us is a legacy we pass on to those who will succeed us,” Walters said in a 1994 article that appeared in Highlights, the college’s alumni newsletter.

The School of Home Economics becomes the College of Home Economics, effective Sept. 14. A publication of the University System of Georgia states: “The School (of Home Economics) now offers the Ph.D. in child and family development. The term “School” does not convey either identification with the Ph.D. degree or a colleagueship image with other units of the university. It is felt that the prestige stemming from this redesignation would assist in attracting students from within the state of Georgia, the region, and other parts of the country.”

After years of debate among faculty, students and alumni, the college is renamed the College of Family and Consumer Sciences. More than 70 percent of students responding to a survey at the time said changing the name of the college would increase the value of their degrees. Among the many reasons given in support of the name change is to counter a negative stereotype associated with the phrase “home economics” among some students and employers. A previous effort to change the name to the College of Human Ecology failed in 1987.

Launched on the Martin Luther King Day of Service with a commitment to service in the community, the college celebrates 100 years of offering programming at UGA. In addition to the student-led day of service, the college hosts the FACS 100 Centennial Gala at The Classic Center. UGA President Jere Morehead gives remarks and the FACS 100 Centennial Honorees and members of the Honor Hall of Recognition are celebrated. The college publishes a 140-page pictorial history book, “100 Years Enriching Lives: Family and Consumer Sciences at UGA” and an exhibit featuring the enrollment of women at UGA and the history of the college leading up to the current programs is displayed in the Richard B. Russell Building Special Collections Libraries. A centennial website captures the essence of the year: www.fcs.uga.edu/centennial.
2017 - 2018
Annual Report
Through the generosity of endowment donors, we are able to offer our students unique opportunities to enrich their education.

During summer 2018, a total of $28,200 was awarded to 30 FACS students pursuing study away programs.

Additionally, $88,350, in academic scholarships was distributed to 55 undergraduate and 25 graduate students in preparation for the 2018-19 academic year.
A highlight of his career was his role in establishing the Arch Society in 1992, a group of student leaders recognized by their iconic black blazers who serve as official hosts and goodwill ambassadors of the University of Georgia.

The idea actually sprang from the now-famous “game between the hoses,” when exuberant Georgia fans stormed the field at Auburn following the Bulldogs’ upset victory in 1986 and eventually got sprayed with water cannons.

In an effort to generate goodwill among the respective schools in the years following the incident, the institutions established “better relations” visits. Cochran led a group of student leaders to the Auburn campus and was impressed by the Plainsmen and War Eagle Girls who hosted the Georgia delegation.

“Driving back in the van that night, the students asked, ‘Mr. Cochran, why don’t we have a group like that?’ My answer was ‘Because we haven’t formed one,’ ” Cochran said. “Driving back, we selected the name, the uniform and sketched out a constitution. It was an idea whose time had come.”

Following retirement, Cochran took a temporary role overseeing what became Georgia United Credit Union, which was looking to better integrate itself into the fabric of the university.
After consulting with then-FACS department head Anne Sweaney, Cochran met with FACS faculty members Lance Palmer and Joan Koonce to discuss ideas.

That initial meeting eventually led to the creation of a service-learning course in which FACS students provided free tax preparation for low-to-moderate income individuals and families as part of the Internal Revenue Service’s Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

The program served more than 1,100 people last year and has provided “real-life” experience for hundreds of students from both FACS and the Terry College of Business since its inception in 2005.

“It was a collaborative effort: Georgia United Credit Union and the college working together,” Cochran said. “I’m very proud that I had the opportunity to be a part of it.”

In 2016, Cochran and his wife, Frances, established the Tom Cochran Emerging Leader Award Fund, designed to provide funding for students to attend professional conferences or training opportunities related to the financial planning profession.

“It was an outgrowth of my career,” Cochran said. “I have seen how beneficial it can be to students to bring back ideas from a conference or another campus and incorporate them here. It allows us all to be better.”

While Cochran’s degree is not from FACS, he said he is deeply proud of the relationship he’s formed with the college. For Cochran, it serves as another example of the power of a shared vision and spirit of collaboration that drew him back to campus more than 40 years ago.

“We reach into every corner of the state and beyond,” he said. “The entire state is served every day by the University of Georgia in one way or another. Who wouldn’t be proud of that?”
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Greetings FACS Family!

As a UGA FACS “Double Dawg,” I didn’t think things could get any better, but being able to share my passion for FACS with others is the cherry on top!

I am thrilled to serve as the FACS Alumni Association Board President this year and I am extremely humbled and honored to be involved with the 100th “birthday” of the founding of what became FACS at UGA.

I never would have dreamed that I, someone from the rural northwest town of Dalton, Ga., would be given such a grand opportunity to serve as your Alumni Association Board President.

I began my journey as a wide-eyed student, soaking in all the things that Athens, UGA and Dawson Hall had to offer.

My dreams of having a college to call home, a program of study where I could gain so many skills, and people who helped me believe I could achieve anything all became a reality when I entered UGA. FACS gave me the foundation for a 30-year career in FACS education, which changed my entire life! I owe this college everything!

Now I am back walking the hallowed grounds of Dawson Hall, the place where my journey began. The opportunity to meet students and see firsthand how our dedicated faculty and staff prepare students for the future is incredible.

I encourage you to engage with our Alumni Association. Our mission is to keep alumni, students, faculty, and friends interested in, involved with, and connected to the College.

My invitation is to advocate, volunteer and donate to this amazing college. You will connect on so many different levels and love it all; the students, faculty, staff and events. Opportunities to connect with alumni are endless and will evoke your memories of this special place.

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*Go Dawgs!*

*Sandra Whaley Derrick*
BSHE ’76; M. Ed., ’80
2018-2019 Alumni Association Board President
1980s

Stephanie Bradshaw (BSHE '89) is a Co-Owner of the Stitchery, a fabric and sewing shop in Rome, Ga., which was featured in the fall/winter issue of Quilt Sampler magazine. The Stitchery was also named a 2018 Bulldog 100 honoree.

Esther Devall (MS, '83; Ph.D., '90) recently completed her term as President of the Council for Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences (CAFCS), a professional organization composed of department heads, associate deans and deans of family and consumer sciences around the country.

Cyndi Hefner (BSHE, '83) is the owner of Shear Amazement, a Beauty Salon and Gift Store in Dalton, Ga.

1990s

Melanie Larson (BSFCS, '95) is a dietitian, massage therapist and personal trainer. She has worked at Kaiser Permanente for over 13 years as a Clinical Outpatient Registered Dietitian and as a manager of the Outpatient Nutrition Department and has taught part-time nutrition classes at Santa Rosa Junior College for the Department of Consumer and Family Studies.

2000s

Carly Brown (BSFCS, '07) is a Business Development Specialist at UBS in Atlanta.

Dustin Coker (BSFCS, '02) recently created an online clothing brand call Hail the Lamb. He is also in the process of opening a café/restaurant in Dalton, Ga., called NATIVE.

Theresa Glasheen (BSFCS, '06; M.S., '08) had a four-year career in FACS Education before embarking on a career in academic research. She now works for The National SafeCare Training and Research Center, which is housed in The School of Public Health at Georgia State University.

Michelle Gooden (BSFCS, '07) recently earned the Advanced Practice Certification in Clinical Nutrition and is the only Dietitian in the state of Georgia to hold this certification. She received the Dietitian Officer Award (2015) from the United States Public Health Service and named Emerging Dietetic Leader (2016) by the Georgia Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. This year, she was named

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Courtney Still Brown (BSFCS, '10; M.S., '12; Ph.D., '16) was recently named the new Extension Specialist: 4-H Healthy Living programs for the University of Georgia. Most recently, Courtney has served as a postdoctoral research associate in the UGA College of Public Health (CPH) and the project coordinator for the Healthier Together project.

Taylor Burrage (BSFCS, '17) completed her Dietetic Internship and accepted her first position as a Clinical Nutrition Manager with Vista Park Health and Rehab in Douglas, Ga.

Ashleigh Childs (BSFCS, '17) is an AmeriCorps VISTA Service Member for the UGA Extension Southwest District in Moultrie, Ga.

Terrance Curry (BSFCS, '16) is a Compliance Investigator for the Georgia Real Estate Commission.

Savannah Dunson (BSFCS '11) is an Interior Designer at Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood (GMC), the largest architectural and engineering firm in Alabama.

Amanda Farzad (BSFCS, '17) is a student at Emory University pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing.

Paige Gaston (BSFCS, '16) is a Project Manager at Cullman and Kravis Associates in New York City. During her time at Cullman and Kravis Associates she has worked on multiple projects in Manhattan, the Hamptons and Texas. The firm continues to be recognized on the Architectural Digest 100 List and Elle Decor A-List.

Mathew Katz (BSFCS, '18) graduated in spring 2018 and was accepted into the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Policy and Practice.

Lindsay Lock (BSFCS, '17) moved to Birmingham, Ala., to complete her Dietetic Internship/Master's degree at UAB. Upon completion of her program, she will begin a nutrition traineeship at the Children's of Alabama Pediatric Pulmonary Center working with children with cystic fibrosis.

Amy McGuire (BSFCS, '16) is the founder of a technology start-up that is developing technology to serve the marina industry.

Jennifer Morgan (BSFCS, '15; M.S., '19) is a graduate student studying the Historical and Cultural Aspect of Dress in the Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors Department at the University of Georgia.

Mara Price (BSFCS, '11) is the Engagement Director at UGA Hillel and has been accepted into a program for a certificate in Experiential Jewish Education.

Miriam Perdue (BSFCS, '10) was recently named the new administrative specialist in the Office of Principal Gifts. She previously worked in the External Affairs Office within the College of Pharmacy, the Carl Vinson Institute of Government and the Gift Accounting Office in the UGA Foundation.

Abigail Soren (BSFCS, '10) is a Senior Financial Planner at BT Wealth Management in Atlanta.

Shelby Talton (BSFCS, '13) is a Project Manager at Clinical Pharmacology of Miami.

Emily Yates (BSFCS, '15) began her career as intern on The VeryVera Show, a cooking and lifestyle show in Augusta, Ga., and now serves as the Team Leader and Masters Catering Coordinator.
Karen Tinsley, a Senior Public Service Associate and director of the FACS-based Georgia Initiative for Community Housing program, died on April 3 after being struck by a vehicle while riding her bicycle in Oconee County.

Tinsley, 45, came to UGA in 2002 as a research coordinator. She received the Housing Impact Award from the Housing Education and Research Association in 2017 for her significant contributions to the field of housing through focused research, teaching and outreach initiatives.

She discovered her passion quickly as part of the GICH program, created to improve housing conditions across the state.

“Karen was an invaluable member of our college and was admired across the state for her tireless efforts toward improving housing conditions in Georgia,” said Sheri Worthy, head of the FACS department of financial planning, housing and consumer economics. “Her impact was felt by countless communities in Georgia as well as by our students, and she was a model representative of our college’s mission of improving the lives of people in our state.”

A scholarship fund has been set up in Tinsley’s name. To contribute, visit this link: http://bit.ly/karentinsleyfund

Please make checks payable to UGA Foundation and be sure to put “Karen Tinsley Fund” in the memo line.

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Congratulations to our faculty and staff college award winners! They will be formally recognized at the Celebrating Excellence Luncheon on October 12 during FACS Week.

Staff Awards
- Outstanding Undergraduate Professional Advisor
  Julie Patterson, Student Success and Advising Center
- Outstanding Undergraduate New Professional Advisor
  Tanacia Blackwell, Student Success and Advising Center
- Nettie Marie Nichols Staff Award
  Michael McGough, Grants Coordinator

Faculty Awards
- Outstanding Undergraduate Faculty Advisor
  Jennifer George, Human Development and Family Science
- Bill and June Flatt Outstanding Teacher of the Year
  Swarn Chatterjee, Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics
- Bill and June Flatt Outstanding Faculty Research
  Lynn Bailey, Foods and Nutrition
- Early Career Faculty Research
  Geoffrey Brown, Human Development and Family Science
- Faculty Mentoring Undergraduate Research
  Jamie Cooper, Foods and Nutrition
- Bill and June Flatt Outstanding Extension and Outreach Faculty
  Judy Harrison, Foods and Nutrition
- Chris Todd Outstanding Outreach Award
  Caree Costwright and Food Bank of Northeast Georgia
- Thomas F. Rodgers Outreach County Agent Award
  Roxie Price, Tift County, Southwest District
- Super-Include Award
  Hea Jin Park, Foods and Nutrition
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