ABOUT THE INSTITUTION

History and Location: Chartered by the Georgia General Assembly on January 27, 1785, The University of Georgia is the nation’s first state-chartered university. In 1872, the University of Georgia was designated the state’s land-grant institution and in 1980 was accorded sea-grant college status. The University’s main campus is located in Athens-Clarke County, Georgia, approximately 60 miles northeast of the state capital of Atlanta.


Academic Programs and Degrees Conferred: The University of Georgia is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges as well as a variety of discipline-specific accrediting agencies. Academic offerings include 24 bachelor’s degrees in 142 major fields; 32 master’s degrees in 135 major fields; the specialist in education degree in 8 major fields; 4 doctoral degrees in 87 major fields; and professional degrees in Law, Pharmacy, and Veterinary Medicine. During the 2017-18 fiscal year, the University awarded 7,450 bachelor’s degrees, 1,779 master’s and specialist degrees, 546 doctoral degrees, and 438 professional degrees.

Faculty: Full-time professorial faculty for the fall 2018 totaled 1,852. 94% of the full-time faculty were tenured or tenure-track, and 98% hold the doctorate or other terminal degree. Average salaries for the fiscal year 2018 were $129,800 for professors; $96,400 for associate professors; and $89,000 for assistant professors.

Enrollment: Fall 2018 enrollment totaled 38,652, which included 29,611 undergraduates, 7,441 graduate students, and 1,600 first professional students. 94% of undergraduates and 77% of graduate and professional students were enrolled on a full-time basis. The undergraduate student body was 43% male and 30% minority. There were 124 foreign countries represented among the 1,117 undergraduate and 1,663 graduate and professional non-US citizens enrolled in fall 2018.

Admissions/Retention: 5,718 first-time freshmen enrolled for fall 2018. 45% of all admitted freshmen enrolled, and 22% of all freshman applicants enrolled. Based on the new SAT test, the average total SAT score for entering freshmen was 1319. 4,748 or 83% of new freshmen attended 461 Georgia high schools. On average, 94.7% of first-time full-time freshmen return for their sophomore year. 76% of all undergraduate transfer applicants were accepted, and 1,531 enrolled for fall 2018. 51% of accepted new graduate students enrolled in fall 2018.

Costs: Academic year 2018-19 tuition and fees totaled $11,830 for new resident undergraduates and $30,404 for new nonresident undergraduates. Academic year 2018-19 estimated cost of attendance for resident undergraduates totaled $26,688. This amount included tuition and mandatory fees, books and supplies, room and board, and other expenses.

Finance: For fiscal year 2018, total revenues exceeded $1.75 billion and included $479 million from state appropriations. 19.6% of total operating expenditures were designated for instruction and 24.8% for research. Sponsored awards for fiscal year 2018 totaled $285,836,302.

Physical Facilities: The University occupies and maintains over 22 million square feet of space. The main campus includes 476 buildings for a total of 17,771,146 square feet. Eleven major building projects were completed during 2018 for a total cost of over $131 million. The University’s fall 2018 land holdings totaled 38,878 acres in 30 Georgia counties.