

AFFINITY GROUPS

UGA Black Alumni

Many organizations and groups seek to connect black alumni and students, and this affinity group is another opportunity for those important interactions. UGA Black Alumni connects alumni and students with shared experiences to continue building a welcoming and supportive campus community. Some of UGA Black Alumni's signature programs include: homecoming tailgate and ticket block, brunch & learn, and celebration of the anniversary of desegregation. In addition, there is engagement through campus partnerships with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, Office of Institutional Diversity and scholarship fundraising through The 1961 Club giving society.

MISSION

RECRUIT – Black students, faculty, and staff to the university

RETAIN – Support students to completion of degree programs

ENGAGE – Current students and alumni by mentoring and professional development

DONATE – “Friendraising” and fundraising for UGA needs

SERVE – As UGA ambassadors in the community and to fellow Bulldogs

BLACK ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND: THE 1961 CLUB

The 1961 Club is a dedicated group of donors, named for the year of integration at Georgia, who share a passion for ensuring student success. With a gift of \$19.61, \$196.10, or \$1,961.00, any amount will make a difference. By supporting the Black Alumni Scholarship Fund, we remove barriers to education and keep the doors open for students to attain a quality education.

For information about upcoming programs and events, visit alumni.uga.edu/blackalumni.

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Women of UGA

The Women of UGA affinity group was established to engage university alumnae in the metro-Atlanta area and support alumnae nation-wide. Cookies and Cocoa with Hairy Dawg, Mentorship Mondays, and a number of fundraising events throughout the year are just a few of the programs and initiatives facilitated by the Women of UGA Leadership Council each year. All events and programs seek to benefit and grow the Women of UGA scholarship.

MISSION

MENTORSHIP – Create a sense of community among women with ties to UGA, allowing them to connect with one another and establish relationships.

PROGRAMMING – Provide programming for women that develops their skills and empowers them to achieve personal and professional goals.

PHILANTHROPY – Raise funds and awareness for the Women of UGA Scholarship Fund.

WOMEN OF UGA SCHOLARSHIP

To make a difference in the lives of those students who come after us, Women of UGA established a Georgia Commitment Scholarship through the Office of Student Financial Aid. The Women of UGA Affinity Group has raised \$50,000, which will be matched dollar-for-dollar by the UGA Foundation. As a new fund, it is up to us, the women of the UGA alumni community, to help build its foundation.

For information about upcoming programs and events, visit alumni.uga.edu/women.

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To learn more about this scholarship and how to give, visit alumni.uga.edu/chapter-scholarship-fund.

UGA Young Alumni

With over 40,000 UGA graduates under the age of 40 living in the metro-Atlanta area, the Young Alumni Leadership Council was established to engage and serve this dynamic and growing group. Throughout the year, this council plans and facilitates initiatives and events, such as UGA Young Alumni Night at SweetWater, to connect graduates to each other and the university. This group also seeks to support and encourage alumni giving in aspects of its programming.

MISSION

The mission of the Young Alumni Leadership Council is to create and implement young alumni programming and raise awareness of the importance of connecting and giving back to the university.

COMMIT TO YOUR PASSION INITIATIVE

In support of the “Commit to Georgia” campaign, the Young Alumni Leadership Council encourages graduates to give to an academic cause or department that speaks to their passions. The campaign specifically seeks to create and increase scholarships, enhance the learning environment, and solve the grand challenges facing the world today. Find out more about how your giving can reflect your passions at give.uga.edu.

For information about upcoming programs and events, visit alumni.uga.edu/young-alumni.

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