

Checklist for New Graduate Students in the Department of Horticulture

Before you arrive

- Make housing arrangements. If university housing is desired
 - For residence halls contact:
 - **Department of University Housing**
(706) 542-1421
FAX (706) 542-8595
Russell Hall
The University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia 30602-5575
<http://www.uga.edu/housing>
email: housing@uga.edu
 - For on-campus family housing contact
 - **Family and Graduate Housing Office**
(706) 542-1473
FAX (706) 542-8402
710 East Campus Road
The University of Georgia
Athens, Georgia 30602-4622
<http://www.uga.edu/housing>
email: FGH@uga.edu
- Contact parking services for parking permits if needed -
<http://www.parking.uga.edu/index.asp?page=main> or call (706)-542-7275
- International students should be in contact with Office of International Affairs/
International Student, Scholar and Immigration Services concerning status of student visa
and I-20 forms (<http://www.uga.edu/oie/international.htm> or call (706)-542-7903).
- International students should visit the website of International Student Life
(<http://www.uga.edu/isl/>) for information that would facilitate a smooth transition.
Email ugaisl@arches.uga.edu Tel: 706-542-5867

When you arrive

- See Mary Jane (department office Rm 1111) for keys and office assignment
- Get student ID at Tate Center
 - Once student number and identification have been obtained, go online to MyID to create username and email (<https://www.arches.uga.edu/mvid/>). This step is very important for all computer-based correspondences and OASIS activities.
- See Linda Downs (Rm 1123) for paperwork if on assistantship
 - Must also complete employee training/orientation online – ask Linda for website
- International students should visit University Health Center if vaccinations are needed
- Meet with major professor for academic advisement.
 - Complete course registration form and have major professor sign it. Forms are located in the department office.
 - Completed forms must be submitted to Mary Jane Rm 1111.
- Register for courses through OASIS (<http://www.uga.edu/osfa/oasis/>)
- Pay fees (student activity and transportation fees). Fees may be paid by automatic payroll deduction if on assistantship; or by credit/debit card online through OASIS (select ‘payment options’ while in OASIS); or in person at the Bursar’s Office on 424 E Broad St (<http://www.bursar.uga.edu/> or call (706) 542-2965)
- See Brenda Willis horticulture department Rm 1313
 - Give name and email address to be added to the horticulture graduate student listserv
 - Take picture and submit brief biography for departmental website and bulletin board
- International students should visit and register with International student life in Memorial Hall Room 210 (<http://www.uga.edu/isl/>)

Important Websites

- University Parking Services - <http://www.parking.uga.edu/index.asp?page=main>
- The Graduate School - <http://www.gradsch.uga.edu/>
- Horticulture Department - <http://www.uga.edu/hort/>
- Horticulture department graduate handbook - <http://www.uga.edu/hort/2002guidelines.pdf>
- City websites for general information - Athens Online <http://www.athensonline.com/> and Online Athens - <http://www.onlineathens.com/>
- OASIS – computer system that manages student accounts, grades, course registration etc - <http://www.uga.edu/osfa/oasis/>
- University libraries - <http://www.libs.uga.edu/>
- Athens Transit Authority – public transportation system <http://www.athenstransit.com/>
- Georgia Power – Tel. 1-888-660-5890
<http://www.southernco.com/gapower/home.asp?mnuOpco=gpc&mnuType=main&mnuItem=def>
- Athens Clarke County Water Business Office - Tel. (706)- 613-3500
<http://www.athensclarkecounty.com/publicutilities/>
- Charter Communications – cable company Tel. (706) 316-3921 <http://www.charter.com/>

Common extra-departmental courses taken by horticulture graduate students

DEPARTMENT	COURSE TITLE	COURSE NUMBER	SEMESTER OFFERED
Plant Biology	Plant anatomy	PBIO 6230, 6230L	
	Plant Physiological Ecology	PBIO 8890, 8890L	Spring
	Seed Physiology	PBIO 6210	
	Introduction to Gene Technology	PBIO 6500	Fall
	Plant Taxonomy	PBIO 6650, 6650L	Spring
	Biology of Natural Plant Products	PBIO 6250	Spring
Plant Pathology	Ornamental pest management	PATH 6360	
Forestry	Advanced Tree Physiology	FORS 8030	Spring
Crop and Soil Sciences	Plant Breeding	CRSS 6040	
	Seed Physiology	CRSS 6210	
	Weed Science	CRSS 6340, 6340L	
	Soil Fertility	CRSS 6590, 6590L	
	Crops and Microclimate	CRSS 8280, 8280L	
	Soil Physics	CRSS 6600	
Statistics	Design of Experiments for Research Workers	STAT 8200	Fall

Please be aware of required courses as noted in the departmental graduate program guidelines:

- Statistics 6210 and 6220 or 6310 and 6320. You should discuss with your major professor about which pair to take.
- Biochemistry 6000 or 6010

List of Items in Orientation Package

1. Academic calendar, <http://www.bulletin.uga.edu/bulletin/univ/calendar.html>
2. Graduate Student Bulletin, <http://www.gradsch.uga.edu/Bulletin/Bulletin.html>
3. Department graduate program guidelines, <http://www.uga.edu/hort/gradguidelines.htm>
4. Apartment guide, <http://www.onlineathens.com/apartmentfinder/>
5. Flagpole guide to Athens, <http://www.fairmountfair.com/flagpole/>
6. List of graduate students and contact information,
<http://www.uga.edu/hort/hortGradStudents.htm>

Events/Activities during Orientation process

1. Tour given by graduate student mentor of department (kitchen, copier, computers, restrooms etc) and greenhouses (formal introduction to greenhouse staff).
2. Department open house when new students will be introduced to each faculty member. Faculty members would also be asked to discuss their research and give tours of their labs showing equipment possibly available for research use.
3. Informal welcome reception may be hosted by administration or graduate student association.