

UGA Teaching Academy Fellows Program 2011-2012

Program Description

The purpose of the UGA Teaching Academy Fellows Program is to support early career faculty members (1st – 3rd year) who are passionate about the importance of university teaching as they acclimate to the University of Georgia community. Participants in the program

- learn about the mission of UGA's Teaching Academy;
- get to know other early career faculty members from across the campus;
- share experiences related to being early in their careers at UGA;
- meet and hear from seasoned UGA teaching professors;
- see that quality instruction is important and valued at UGA;
- learn about the variety of instruction-related resources at UGA (e.g., Teaching Academy, Center for Teaching and Learning, Office of Service-Learning, CURO program); and
- contribute to UGA's *Chalk Talk* series.

Eligibility

Permanent, full-time faculty members from any of UGA's seven faculty ranks that are responsible for teaching courses at UGA are eligible to participate.

Mentors

Four pairs of Teaching Academy members will be invited to participate as mentors in this program.

Selection Process

Nominations will be accepted until July 1, 2011, can be made in letters no longer than two pages in length and should contain the following

- the name and home department of the nominee
- the nominee's academic rank and years of service at UGA
- a brief description of the teaching duties of the nominee
- a statement describing why the nominee merits consideration
- a curriculum vitae

Expectations for the Pilot Program

- **The Teaching Academy Mentor Pairs will**
 - administer the invitation and application process;
 - manage the matching of teaching academy mentor pairs with and six early-career faculty members;
 - meet with all groups for eight all-group meetings; and
 - meet with group (six members) at times agreed upon by the group.
- **The Early Career Faculty Members will**
 - participate in all program activities (nine structured mentoring sessions with their six Teaching Academy Fellows, including four workshops, four working dinners and a retreat)
 - meet with mentors at other times agreed upon by the group.

