The University of Georgia Teaching Academy
(http://teachingacademy.uga.edu)

Mission Statement
The mission of the Academy is to promote and celebrate excellence in teaching and to foster learning through inquiry.

Goals
The Academy will promote faculty leadership to enhance teaching and learning, to advocate for effective educational environments, and to foster a community of scholars.

Core Values
We believe that educating students is a fundamental responsibility of every faculty member of the University of Georgia and that teachers are catalysts for effective learning.

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The 2015 Academic Affairs Faculty Symposium will explore strategies for transforming graduate education at the University to complement UGA's rising stature and reputation. We will explore and develop innovative strategies for graduate student recruitment, retention and placement; professional development; curriculum and pedagogy; diversity; financial support and organizational structures and policies. Participants will discuss how graduate education contributes to and benefits from the University's goals to become a world-class institution of higher education.

**Friday, March 27th**

8:00  Registration and continental breakfast  
9:30  Overview  
9:45  Keynote Address  
10:45  Break  
11:00  Break-out Session I  
12:00  Lunch  
1:45  Panel I  

**Saturday, March 28th**

7:00  Breakfast buffet - Unicoi Restaurant  
8:30  Panel II  
9:30  Break  
9:45  Break-out Session III  
10:45  Group summaries/reports  
11:45  Closing remarks  
12:00  Adjourn - lunch