

**Academic Affairs Faculty Symposium**  
Unicoi Conference Center  
*April 1 – 2, 2016*

Program Participants

**Linda Bachman** – Director of University Experiential Learning since May, 2015, Linda Bachman is charged with identifying and proposing innovative ways to advance experiential learning across UGA's diverse undergraduate programs. In partnership with faculty members, experiential program directors, and other UGA leaders, Linda is directing the implementation of UGA's new experiential learning requirement. She is also facilitating campus-wide conversations and partnerships to ensure that the initiative goes beyond the requirement, building bridges among academic and non-academic units on and off campus, and leading the development of an experiential transcript that will recognize and help to integrate the full range of experiential opportunities UGA affords its undergraduate students. Before her appointment as director, Linda had served as assistant dean in the Franklin College since 2006. In that role, she led the committee that drafted and facilitated discussion regarding the Experiential Learning Requirement. As assistant dean, Linda initially directed external affairs for the college, and more recently provided leadership on strategic planning and the development of entrepreneurial academic programs. Prior to coming to UGA, Linda founded and led a fundraising, board development and communications strategy firm in Philadelphia. Her experience in higher education administration includes development, program management and strategic planning for the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Michigan and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, among other academic and nonprofit institutions.

**Yana Cornish** - Director of Education Abroad for UGA's Office of International Education

**Don DeMaria** – Founding Director, Washington Semester Program

**William Finlay** – Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor of Sociology and co-director of the UGA Study-Abroad Program in Stellenbosch, South Africa.

**Iqbal Khan** – Management Information Systems major with an expected graduation date May 2016

**Professional & Honor Societies:** Institute for Leadership Advancement, Society for Management Information Systems, Phi Delta Theta

**Awards:** University of Georgia Dean's List, Zell Miller Scholarship, Order of Omega Scholarship (Top 10% of Fraternal GPAs), Mark Mahoney MIS Advisory Board Scholarship

**Hopes for the future:** Front office/player personnel role for the New England Patriots

**Jere Morehead** - President, The University of Georgia and Josiah Meigs Distinguished Teaching Professor of Insurance, Legal Studies and Real Estate

**Libby Morris** – Zell B. Miller Distinguished Professor of Higher Education; Director, Institute of Higher Education

**Melissa Peet** - Academic Director for the Integrative Learning and MPortfolio Initiative at the University of Michigan. Her research focuses on integrative and lifelong learning as well as understanding the types of knowledge needed to educate leaders, entrepreneurs, and effective change agents for the 21st century. She has worked with faculty, students, and administrators in various schools and departments to design, implement, and/or evaluate numerous pedagogical innovations and/or curriculum change efforts related to integrative learning, diversity, leadership, and social-change goals

**Katie Prusiecki** –Communication Studies major and is expected to graduate in December '16. Over her four years at the University of Georgia, Katie has been involved in UGA Miracle, UGA Greek Life, Discover Abroad, and UGA Costa Rica. A few of her favorite things include SEC football weekends, traveling with family and friends, and trying new Athens restaurants!

**Treva Tam** –Sociology and Advertising majors with an expected graduation May 2016. Honors/Awards: Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Palladia, Foundation Fellow, Alpha Kappa Delta (sociology honor society)  
Future plans: plan on getting my PhD in sociology

**Pamela Whitten** - Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost; Professor of Telecommunications, Public Health and Communication Studies

**Shannon Wilder** – Founding Director of Office of Service Learning; Associate Editor of the Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement; Assistant Professor for Art Education.

**David Williams** – Director, UGA Honors Program; Meigs Professor of Religion