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A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program

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Environmental Studies Research Gala

Last month, the senior Environmental Studies majors presented the results of their capstone projects. Those who attended the capstone gala gained valuable insight from the seniors, who presented their projects in many ways including posters, presentations, a documentary showing, a Q & A panel, and a musical performance.

This wide range of presentation methods speaks volumes on the different avenues that each senior took with their projects. The Environmental Studies department prides itself on the “three-legged stool” of environmental studies: social sciences, natural sciences, and humanities. The seniors did a phenomenal job in exploring all three legs of the stool, creating a medley of data driven and creative projects. Understanding our environment, much like understanding many other areas of our lives, requires a multi-faceted approach, such as the three-legged stool. Furthermore, the way by which we communicate problems, results, and information in general must be multifaceted as well, to reach more people and for those people to gain some sort of understanding on what it is we are trying to communicate.

This year’s capstone gala was an amazing example of the different ways in which information is communicated. Grayson Jeffords, Nicholas Jacobs, and Emma Sutton did an amazing job presenting their results by thoroughly explaining each element of their data to the attendees. Heyward McPhail played his documentary on a TV, explaining his project as viewers enjoyed the show. Kas Burnet and Wilson Grayson each created their own podcast for the capstone, but they came together for the gala and did a collaborative podcast-styled panel. Thomas Rowland wrote songs for his capstone, so he performed one of his songs after briefly talking the attendees through his project. Overall, the senior Environmental Studies majors put on a spectacular event, showcasing their unique projects, while communicating their results in ways that those outside of the major could easily understand and enjoy.

Congratulations to all the presenters and thank you to everyone who came out! Additionally, thank you to the seniors who are minoring in Environmental Studies, as they were integral in the planning and success of the capstone gala.



Scenes from our interactive exhibits at the ENVS Research Gala.

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Follow the new [Goodall Center Instagram](#) page.

Second Saturdays Volunteer Day in Glendale: Join us on the second Saturday of the month to help beautify the garden and surrounding areas at the Goodall Center. [Register here to let us know you're coming.](#)

Goodall Center Outreach Intern Needed: Interns will plan, publicize, and implement educational community events and other programming at the Goodall Center. Every event promotes environmental stewardship, but details will vary depending on intern interests. Intern must be available Fall 2023 and Spring 2024. Submit a cover letter and resume to Dr. Savage, savageks@wofford.edu.

South Carolina Chapter of the National Association of Environmental Professionals: [Apply for a \\$1500 scholarship here.](#)

May 13th

9:00-11:00am

Goodall Center, 351

Broadway St, Glendale, SC

29346

May 17th

Application Deadline

June 1st

Application Deadline

PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

University of Georgia – College of Environment and Design

The University of Georgia's College of Environment and Design (CED) is one of the many areas of study that the school offers to graduate students who are interested in sustainability and the environment. There are three master's degrees in Landscape Architecture (MLA), Urban Planning & Design (MUPD), and Historic Preservation (MHP).

CED programs are constantly ranked in the top 10 in the nation and their landscape architecture is one of the oldest graduate programs in the country. The highly

regarded historic preservation program is one of only two programs in the US to offer a joint Juris Doctorate.

CED has added a professional degree enhancement to its curriculum for the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) accreditation, which is a highly regarded credential for graduates looking to be hired. There are also a number of certificate programs that can help students enhance and specialize their primary degree.

[UGA – College of Environment and Design](#)
