



2025 Graduate Student Teaching Awards

The University recognizes the significant contributions graduate students make to the instructional mission of the University through the Excellence in Teaching Award (ETA) and the Outstanding Teaching Assistant (OTA) award.

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

The Center for Teaching and Learning administers the Excellence in Teaching Award (ETA), sponsored by the Graduate School. This highly competitive award recognizes UGA graduate students who have demonstrated superior teaching skills and contributed to teaching beyond their own classroom responsibilities. The Excellence in Teaching Award is the top teaching award for graduate students at UGA.

2025 ETA WINNERS

Megan Fletcher, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Linguistics)

Morgane Golan, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (Animal & Dairy Sciences; Biomedical & Translational Sciences Institute)

María Gonzalez-Ferrer, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Stephanie Hanus-Knapp, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Sociology)

Alexander Tepper, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Mathematics)

2025 ETA NOMINEES

Elizabeth Agboluaje, College of Pharmacy (Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Sciences)

James Begley, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Chemistry)

Rebekah Carnes, College of Family and Consumer Sciences (Financial Planning, Housing, and Consumer Economics)

Carter Coleman, College of Public Health (Environmental Health Science)

Lindsay Davenport, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Cellular Biology; Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Sciences)

Kristen Egglar, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Psychology)

Sakil Faizullah, Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication (Advertising and Public Relations)

Lorraine Franco, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education)

Sloan Garner, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Theatre and Film Studies)

Kathleen Hurlock, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Institute for Women's Studies; English)

Hammad Khan, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Religion)

Solbi Kim, School of Public and International Affairs (International Affairs)

Wei-yi Lee, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Comparative Literature & Intercultural Studies)

Vicki Lu, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music; Music Education)

Justin McCurdy, Biomedical and Translational Sciences Institute (Neuroscience)

Sierra Milligan, College of Engineering (Deans Teaching Fellows from Engineering Education Transformations Institute; School of Environmental, Civil, Agricultural, & Mechanical Engineering)

Margaret Neel, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (History)

Christina Novelli, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Communication Sciences & Special Education)

Brianna Phillips, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (English)

Justine Rojas, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Plant Biology)

Ash Tea, College of Veterinary Medicine (Comparative Biomedical Sciences; Veterinary Physiology & Pharmacology)

Anthony Waikel, Terry College of Business (Finance)

Yixuan Wang, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Language & Literacy Education)

De Yang, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Philosophy)

OUTSTANDING TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARD

The Center for Teaching and Learning administers the Outstanding Teaching Assistant (OTA) award, sponsored by the Office of the Vice President for Instruction. This award recognizes teaching assistants who demonstrate superior instructional skills while serving in the classroom or laboratory.

2025 OTA WINNERS

Gehad Abdelal, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Philosophy)

Chelsey Adams, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Sociology)



Elizabeth Agboluaje, College of Pharmacy (Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Sciences)

Sakshi Sanjay Babar, Terry College of Business (Marketing)

Gabrielle Barnett, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Lamar Dodd School of Art)

Milo Bauman, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (School of Computing)

James Begley, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Chemistry)

Andrew Blinn, Odum School of Ecology (Odum School of Ecology)

Jessica Bond, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Communication Sciences & Special Education)

Sarah Bouchard, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Lamar Dodd School of Art)

Erika Bowen, College of Engineering (School of Chemical, Materials, & Biomedical Engineering)

Elisa Braga, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Julie Brisson, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Psychology)

Alexander Brower, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Mathematics)

Rebekah Carnes, College of Family & Consumer Sciences (Financial Planning, Housing, & Consumer Economics)

Peter Cassels, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Mathematics)

Eunyoung Elaine Cha, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Workforce Education & Instructional Technology)

Seon Ja Chang, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Language & Literacy Education)

Sayan Chattopadhyay, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Mathematics)

Lanjun Cheng, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Chemistry)

Shelby Clark, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Sociology)

Sara Cloonan, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Psychology)

Ashley Cornish, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Geography)

Joshua Courtney, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Physics & Astronomy)

Blake Cravey, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Communication Studies)

Arielle Crumley, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music)

Jackson Davis, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Counseling & Human Development Services)

Ray Delva, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (English)

Tara Denley, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources (Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources)

Austin Downes, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (School of Computing)

Kristen Egler, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Psychology)

Sabrina Elgar, College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences (Entomology)

Hannah Ericson, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Genetics)

Samuel Ewusi Dadzie, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Statistics)

Allonah Ezro-Christy, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Fábio Roberto Mariano, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Sakil Faizullah, Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication (Advertising & Public Relations)

Lorraine A. Franco, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Mathematics, Science, & Social Studies Education)

Zane Frentress, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Geography)

Kyle Fuentes-Keuthan, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Statistics)

Sloan Garner, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Theatre & Film Studies)

Marcela Garza, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Lauren Gingerella, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources (Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources)

Katharina Goerlich, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Microbiology)

Emily Grove, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Language & Literacy Education)

Vale Prosper, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Theatre & Film Studies)

Brendan Haile, Odum School of Ecology (Odum School of Ecology)

Holly Haworth, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (English)

Alexander Heide, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Chemistry)

Rachel Hignite, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (English; Linguistics)

Alexandra Hofner, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Anthropology)

Noah Hopkins, College of Public Health (Health Promotion & Behavior)

Xiaolong Hou, Terry College of Business (Economics)

Lei Huang, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Communication Sciences & Special Education)

Elizabeth Hughes, College of Pharmacy (Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Sciences)

Miguel Izquierdo-Puertas, Terry College of Business (Finance)

Emily Jackson, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Geology)

Shelley Jakiel, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Kinesiology)

Makeiva Jenkins, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Sociology)

Hye Seung Jeong, College of Family & Consumer Sciences (Textiles, Merchandising & Interiors)

Rocio Jimenez Segura, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Mario Juarez Sanchez, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Josiah Kaderis, Odum School of Ecology (Odum School of Ecology)

Naanhee Kim, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Comparative Literature & Intercultural Studies; Language & Literacy Education)

Solbi Kim, School of Public & International Affairs (International Affairs)

Alexandra Konnerth, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Kinesiology)

Danielle Kotrla, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Philosophy)

Michael Kotrous, Terry College of Business (Economics)

Hye In Kwon, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Kinesiology)

Nino Laurel, College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences (Plant Pathology)

Seaira Lett, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Linguistics)

Zongze (Victor) Li, College of Family & Consumer Sciences (Financial Planning, Housing, & Consumer Economics)

Mengyuan Li, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music)

Louisiana Lightsey, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Anthropology)

Jonathan Lindberg, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Religion)

Katherine Lindig, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Psychology)

Alexia Little, Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication (Journalism)

Maohua Liu, College of Engineering (School of Electrical & Computer Engineering)

Keaton Marek, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music)

Taylor Martin, College of Veterinary Medicine (Physiology & Pharmacology)

Ryan Maynard, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Chemistry)

Sierra Milligan, College of Engineering (Deans Teaching Fellows from Engineering Education Transformations Institute; School of Environmental, Civil, Agricultural & Mechanical Engineering)

Erick Mollinedo, College of Public Health (Environmental Health Science)

Addison Montroy, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Psychology)

Andrew Mosbo, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Statistics)

Shivani Nagode, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Chemistry)

Nicolas Nino, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (School of Computing)

William Norris, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Comparative Literature & Intercultural Studies)

Dominic Okonkwo, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (School of Computing)

Terrell Orr, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (History)

Oyindamola Oseni, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Geology)

Ulbossyn Parmanova, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Germanic & Slavic Studies)

Krishna Patel, College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences (Entomology)

Jacqueline Peña, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Plant Biology)

Anne Perera, Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication (Advertising & Public Relations)

Amy Pulliam, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Language & Literacy Education)

Vanessa Raditz, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Institute for Women's Studies; Educational Theory and Practice)

Simin Rahman, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Kinesiology)

Genevieve Reeves, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Physics & Astronomy)

Rohith Lingala, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (School of Computing)

Tabitha Meng Rominger, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Counseling & Human Development Services)

Andrew Rukangu, College of Engineering (School of Electrical & Computer Engineering)

Braden Rymer, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music)

Jade Samples, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources (Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources)

Walt Sanders, College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences (Plant Pathology)

Priscilla Scarpaci, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Romance Languages)

Jacob Schoenle, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music)

Katie Schroeder, Odum School of Ecology (Odum School of Ecology)

Elisha Schuett, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (English)

Elliot B. Shelton, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Microbiology)

William Shine, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Hugh Hodgson School of Music)

Brittany Shivers, Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication (Journalism)

Casia Siegel, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Mathematics)

Jared Smith, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Microbiology)

Amit Talukder, College of Family & Consumer Sciences (Textiles, Merchandising & Interiors)

Ash Tea, College of Veterinary Medicine (Comparative Biomedical Sciences; Physiology & Pharmacology)

Riley Thoen, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Plant Biology)

Jeannie Thomas, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Theatre & Film Studies)

Kaitlin Thurlow, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (English)

Eduardo (Eddie) Torres, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Genetics)

Emliy Townsend Vinson, College of Public Health (Health Promotion & Behavior)

Carter Watson, Odum School of Ecology (Odum School of Ecology)

Jamie Weiss, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (History)

Kiana Willis, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Educational Theory & Practice)

Alyson Wright, Mary Frances Early College of Education (Educational Theory & Practice)

De Yang, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Philosophy)

Saja Yim, Franklin College of Arts & Sciences (Lamar Dodd School of Art)

Sihao (Max) Zhou, Grady College of Journalism & Mass Communication (Advertising & Public Relations)