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# Bulldog Baskets

## Hello from Me to You... Happy November

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- Study Abroad Opportunities for UGA Students

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### *Hello Parents, Siblings and Other Bulldog Fans:*

This is the second newsletter for your files. I hope you are able to peruse the information and gain some additional insight about life on campus!

The articles are designed to highlight some campus resources that can enhance your Bulldog's

experience at UGA. Please let us know if you have some questions about any aspect of student life that we could highlight in the future!

Feel free to email us! Go to: [www.bulldogbaskets.com](http://www.bulldogbaskets.com) and click on contact us. We love to hear from our UGA parents! We may try to answer a few questions in our next article—using a Dear Abby type format and

leaving off names!

Thanks for choosing Bulldog Baskets to show your student how much you love him or her.

We are honored to have your business and hope to hear from you time and time again.

*~ Callie*

## Making the Most of Advising At UGA

Most students have been advised by now for spring 2008 semester classes. Signing up (registering online) for classes is typically done for first year students during the November month. They can keep updating or checking their class options throughout the month of December for 90 minutes a day and up until drop/add ends!

Advisors at UGA are professionally selected and trained to assist your son or daughter during the first two years or 60 hours of their academic study. In some cases (depending on the academic major), they may be transferred to their department to meet with their major advisor for their final major/college or school requirements.

When students are advised, it is important

that they have taken some time to review their class selections either through OASIS (browse courses) or the registrar's listing of classes. Taking the time to prepare a schedule based on interests and/or "next steps" in their completion of the core curriculum or other requirements, can help their advisor be able to work collaboratively with them in creating an advisor form that will help them when they register. It is important to have options too. By looking at the days/times offered or reviewing the books ordered for a course at the bookstore, students can get an idea of what a course will offer.

If your son or daughter is undecided about a major, they can go to the Career Center ([www.career.uga.edu](http://www.career.uga.edu)) and do some investigation of

their interests **BEFORE** their appointment. They can also go to <http://bulletin.uga.edu/> to look at the many different majors, minors and certificate programs that UGA offers.

Be sure your son or daughter is not afraid to ask questions! Sometimes, it's hard to remember them when they are in an advisor's office, so they should feel free to write them at anytime. In addition, advisors have walk in times for clarification so they can stop by again and talk with someone in person. Final word of advice: they should share future goals and likes and dislikes with their advisor. Advising is better for both advisor and student when they communicate and get to know each other!

## Your UGA Bulldog Student Coming Home for Thanksgiving Break...Be Ready!



### Resource Highlight:

#### Campus Resources

**Career Center** 706-542-3375

[www.career.uga.edu/](http://www.career.uga.edu/)

**Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)**

706-542-1162

[www.uhs.uga.edu/CAPS/](http://www.uhs.uga.edu/CAPS/)

**Division of Academic**

**Enhancement** 706-542-5436

[www.uga.edu/dae/](http://www.uga.edu/dae/)

**Office of Undergraduate**

**Admissions** 706-542-2112

[www.uga.edu/admit/](http://www.uga.edu/admit/)

**Pre-Professional Advising**

- **Pre-Law** 706-542-5836

[www.franklin.uga.edu/prelaw/index.htm](http://www.franklin.uga.edu/prelaw/index.htm)

- **Pre-Medical Studies** 706-542-0444

[www.franklin.uga.edu/premed/index.htm](http://www.franklin.uga.edu/premed/index.htm)

**Student Financial Aid/HOPE** 706-542-6147 [www.uga.edu/osfa](http://www.uga.edu/osfa)

**Testing Center** 706-542-3183

[testing.uga.edu](http://testing.uga.edu)

**UGA Libraries** 706-542-7501

[www.libs.uga.edu](http://www.libs.uga.edu)

**University Health Center** 706-542-1162 [www.uhs.uga.edu](http://www.uhs.uga.edu)

It kills you to see them grow up. But I guess it would kill you quicker if they didn't.

~Barbara Kingsolver,  
*Animal Dreams*

For your son or daughter, coming back home can seem be coming to an environment different not only their college environment but also a different home environment.

Whether your student has been home several times during the semester or is coming home for the first time at Thanksgiving, the Thanksgiving holidays can be stressful for the new college student, parents and siblings still in the home.

The key to a successful holiday break is communication. Parents need to discuss what the

expectations are as far as chores, car use, jobs, and curfews.

It can be helpful to renegotiate rules. Parents should know that even if their college student has matured, he or she might still have irresponsible tendencies. For this reason, go over the house rules.

Parents should expect a change in their son or daughter, so the rules may be mutually adjusted to fit the newly matured individual. He or she may have developed new

interests. For example, he or she may have developed many new friendships as opposed to the one or two close ones in high school.

Siblings of the college student will have to adjust, too. A younger sibling may be used to being in charge. Sometimes it is hard for a younger sister or brother to not get all the family attention. There will be new roles for him or her too.

## Study Abroad Opportunities for UGA Students

The University of Georgia offers over 90 study abroad and exchange programs to its students. UGA is also a member of various consortia and affiliated with organizations that offer many additional programs. However, our students are not limited to these opportunities, but can select from any of the thousands of programs offered by American universities or directly enroll in a foreign university for a semester, academic year or summer.

Students interested in studying, working,

volunteering or interning abroad, we encourage you to attend an **Options Abroad Session**. Sessions are held three times a week every week 110 E. Clayton St. during the fall and spring semesters at the following times.

**Monday 3:35-4:25 p.m.**  
**Tuesday 3:30-4:20 p.m.**  
**Thursday 2:00-2:50p.m.**

Please call the office at 425-3274 to sign up for a session as there is limited space available.

In addition, there is a wealth of resources available online or in the Study Abroad Library.

The library is located in the study abroad office in **303 Bank of America Building, 110 E. Clayton St.** Please visit the virtual tour to view the many resources available in the library.

You can visit the website at:

<http://www.uga.edu/oie/sastart.htm>