

UofSC Geography Undergraduate Newsletter

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Fall 2019 Dates to Know

Aug. 28, Wednesday

Last day to change/drop a course without a grade of "W" being recorded (Part of Term 30)

Sept. 2, Monday

Labor Day Holiday (no classes)

[Graduation Application Deadline](#)

Last day to apply for December graduation

Oct. 10–11, Thursday–Friday

Fall Break (no classes)

Oct. 14, Monday

Midpoint in Semester

Nov. 6, Wednesday

Last day to drop a course or withdraw without a grade of "WF" being recorded (Part of Term 30)

Nov. 27–Dec. 1, Wednesday–Sunday

Thanksgiving Recess (no classes)

Dec. 6, Friday

Last Day of Classes

Dec. 7, Saturday

Reading Day

Dec. 9–16, Monday–Monday

Final Examinations (includes exams on Saturday)

— Welcome Back! —



Callcott Building, home of UofSC Geography

Welcome back! We hope that you had an exciting, productive, and refreshing summer.

We will continue distributing this Geography undergraduate newsletter to inform you about upcoming events in the department, campus, and profession. Please let us know how we can make it as relevant as possible to current geography students and recent graduates.

As always, feel free to visit your academic advisor or the Director of Undergraduate Studies (Prof. Greg Carbone, 777-0682, Room 327 Callcott, carbone@mailbox.sc.edu) when you have questions.

Student Researcher

Student Researchers will contribute to a collaborative and interdisciplinary project devoted to reimagining eighteenth-century architectural illustrations and maps by Giovanni Piranesi that are housed in USC's Irvin Department of Rare Books and Special Collections. Under the guidance of project staff, student workers will produce digital pages in the open-source program Scalar following the models in the developing pages at digitalpiranesi.org. Work will primarily take place at the Center for Digital Humanities, located in the Innovation Center (IBM building) on Assembly Street.

Four positions of Student Researcher are available as part of this grant-funded project for academic years 2019–2020 and 2020–2021. Current USC undergraduates from any discipline may apply; a major or significant coursework in Media Arts, Art History, Classics, Computer Science, Graphic Design, Geography, and Languages and Literatures (especially Italian) is preferred. Required qualifications: current USC student, GPA of 3.0 or higher. Start date: September 2, 2019 (tentative). Pay rate is \$15/hour, 10 hours/week.

As soon as possible, please submit a detailed cv (including any training or work experience in digital technology) and a cover letter describing your interest in this position to Jeanne Britton at jbritton@mailbox.sc.edu

Scholarships/Fellowships

The National Fellowships and Scholar Programs reminds us of many [upcoming opportunities](#). This office has a great staff and many resources to help you compete for national and international scholarships. Visit their [website](#) when you have a chance.

Conferences



The Southeastern Division of the American Association of Geographers (SEDAAG) is pleased to announce its 74th Annual Meeting, which will be hosted by the University of North Carolina-Wilmington in Wilmington, NC from November 24–25, 2019. The conference will feature papers, posters, awards, a photo contest, field trips, and the World Geography Bowl. We're also hoping for a visit by the AAG's new Executive Director, Gary Langham. The full Call for Abstracts and abstract submission guidelines, as well as contacts for registration and accommodations, are available at: sedaag.org/2019-call-for-paper-poster-and-participation. The deadline for submitting paper and poster abstracts is **Friday, September 20, 2019**.



Sustainable Carolina will be hosting its annual Sustainability Showcase: Research & Practice, Tuesday, October 1st, 4–6pm in the Russell House ballroom. At the Showcase, students and faculty from all majors and disciplines present their sustainability-related projects. Geography are encouraged to take advantage of this presentation opportunity to add to their CV or use towards Graduation with Leadership Distinction ([GLD](#)). Application is open until Sunday, September 15th at midnight. For more information, contact: Caroline Zerhusen (804.441.4625 | sc.edu/sustainability | @SustainableCaro)

Internship Available

The **South Carolina Heritage Trust Program** is offering a fall internship. An ideal candidate would be proactive, self-sufficient, and interested in the ecology of rare, threatened, and endangered species of South Carolina. Knowledge of GIS applications is preferable. The intern will assist in data gathering, environmental/species review, development of data-driven dashboards, and various GIS-related projects. For more information on this unpaid semester internship experience (with possibility for paid extension), contact Joe Lemeris at LemerisJ@dnr.sc.gov

Careers



The **American Meteorological Society (AMS)** will be hosting an [online Virtual Career Fair](#)! Chat directly with employers looking to hire weather, water and climate professionals. Register today for this online event which takes place on September 19, 2019.

The **USDA Forest Service Southern Research Station** seeks a Data Entry Operator to work cooperatively on the project: "Data update of the Template for Assessing Climate Change Impacts and Management Options." Applicants must have environmental science, natural resource management, or forestry experience or relevant course work. The primary location will be the USDA Forest Service, 3041 E. Cornwallis Rd, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. However, telework may be authorized pending satisfactory training and work performance. Work is available beginning August 18, 2019. Schedules are flexible, between 0700–1600 Monday thru Friday. Hours worked per week are negotiable, but preference is 15 (minimum) to 40 (maximum) hours/week. For more information, contact: Steven McNulty, Director USDA Southeast Climate Hub; 919-549-4068; steve.mcnulty@usda.gov.

Optimal GEO is a small business geospatial firm, headquartered in Athens, AL, with locations in Kiln, MS, and St. Louis, MO, that specializes in a wide variety of geospatial services including GIS, GEOINT, LiDAR, Orthoimagery, and Photogrammetric Mapping. Following expansion over the last several years, they are searching for additional talent and networks to support their array of services. They hope to identify recent or soon-to-be graduates who would be a good fit for Geospatial Analyst positions in St. Louis and Athens. If you are interested, fill out an application via the [careers page of their website](#).