

## **POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **Post-Doctoral Fellow**

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING  
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

#### **Position Summary**

The Institute for Resilient Infrastructure Systems at the University of Georgia is hiring a 1-year postdoc position, with possibility of renewal. The individual hired will work as part of an interdisciplinary team from the University of Georgia, the Tribal Nations Technical Center for Excellence (TNTCX), and the United States Army Corps of Engineers – Engineer Research and Development Center (USACE-ERDC). The project is part of the Network for Engineering with Nature's (<https://n-ewn.org/>) People and Policies research theme. The postdoc will work with the broader team to co-develop and direct research related to social equity aspects of Nature-Based Solutions and water resources planning. The project focuses on enhancing equity in water resources planning and infrastructure through the development of tools, methods, and guidance that a) recognize inherent value in different perspectives and worldviews; b) consider different perspectives from a place of equality; c) translate perspectives for stakeholders and project planners in ways that build empathy; and d) incorporate diverse perspectives into the technical, procedural, and operational aspects of water resource and engineering decision making. The position will be co-supervised by Brian Bledsoe, Director, IRIS, and Professor, College of Engineering, and Don Nelson, Professor, Department of Anthropology.

#### **About the College of Engineering**

The College of Engineering at the University of Georgia is one of the fastest growing programs at UGA and one of the fastest growing public colleges of engineering in the nation. Since our founding in 2012, enrollment in the College of Engineering has grown to over 2,400 students. Students and faculty alike are attracted to our setting in a comprehensive, land-grant, research institution that's consistently ranked among the 20 best public universities in the nation. The rapidly expanding UGA engineering program focuses on opportunities for learning, discovery and innovation at the confluence of disciplines.

- Additional information is available at <http://www.engr.uga.edu/>.

#### **About the Department of Anthropology**

The mission of the Department of Anthropology at the University of Georgia is to pursue and disseminate anthropological knowledge of human behavior, human biology, and human-environment interaction. The Department of Anthropology does not merely apply to the study of humans the insights gained in other fields from the study of non-human organisms, but theoretically and methodologically advances understanding of the culture-bearing human species with its complex behavioral patterning. It thus contributes to a key institutional strength of the University of Georgia, which are the number of departments and programs that emphasize an ecological and environmental approach to their subject matter.

- Additional information is available at <https://anthropology.uga.edu/>.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities**

The postdoc will co-develop and implement a research design, coordinate workshops, and lead data collection, curation, and analysis. This is primarily a research position with potential duties related to the management of graduate and undergraduate students.

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### **Qualifications**

This project is highly specialized due to the incorporation of natural-based systems. Candidates must have a PhD in a related field (e.g. Anthropology, Geography, Ecology, Public Planning, Hydrology). Experience working with Tribal Nations and on interdisciplinary teams is highly desired.

### **Application Procedure**

Applicants are asked to submit the following information along with their application:

- A detailed curriculum vita.
- A cover letter (not to exceed one page) addressing the candidate's experience relative to the responsibilities of the position.
- The names, titles, and contact information for three professional references.

***Questions related to the position may be directed to Dr. Don Nelson at [dnelson@uga.edu](mailto:dnelson@uga.edu).  
Applications will be reviewed upon receipt.***

### **About the University of Georgia**

The University of Georgia is a public land-grant and sea-grant university located in Athens, GA. It is the oldest state-chartered institution in the United States, and currently enrolls more than 39,000 students across 17 schools and colleges. Ranked among the top 15 public institutions by US News and World Report, UGA is a research-intensive university that prides itself on providing high-quality undergraduate, graduate, and professional education.

### **About Athens, GA**

Athens, GA is located approximately 70 miles northeast of Atlanta, GA. Consistently voted one of the best college towns in the United States, Athens has a thriving business, restaurant and music scene. It is the gateway to numerous leisure activities in northern Georgia and is conveniently located about 75 minutes from Atlanta-Hartsfield International Airport.

**The University of Georgia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ethnicity, age, genetic information, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation or protected veteran status. Persons needing accommodations or assistance with the accessibility of materials related to this search are encouraged to contact Central HR ([hrweb@uga.edu](mailto:hrweb@uga.edu)).**