



**UNIVERSITY OF  
GEORGIA**

**Griffin Campus**

**Graduation Celebration  
and  
Brick Ceremony**

**May 6, 2026 • 10 a.m.**

**Class of 2026**

## **Franklin College of Arts and Sciences**

Madeline Choate - Bachelor of Science

Emily Cooper† - Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

Haley Robocker – Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

## **College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences**

Sarah Ahearn† - Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

Ibukunoluwa Adelekan – Master of Science

Miranda Barr – Master of Science

Macray Metz – Master of Science

Osian Nzoyisenga – Master of Science

Jose Rolando Orellana – Master of Plant Protection & Pest Management

Mahsa Rahnama – Master of Science

Maria Ali – Doctor of Philosophy

Xueyan Hu – Doctor of Philosophy

Minji Hur – Doctor of Philosophy

Jordan Knapp- Wilson – Doctor of Philosophy

Hwa Eun Lee – Doctor of Philosophy

Saptarshi Mondal – Doctor of Philosophy

Samikshya Rijal – Doctor of Philosophy

Yufei Sui – Doctor of Philosophy

Zia Williamson – Doctor of Philosophy

Zhihan Xian – Doctor of Philosophy

Tongzhou Xu – Doctor of Philosophy

## **Mary Frances Early College of Education**

Diana Lopez – Master of Education

Erika Gallman – Education Specialist

Linda Groce – Education Specialist

Leeanne Mullinax – Education Specialist

Dolph Woods – Education Specialist

Randall Bogard – Doctor of Education

Shanda Brand – Doctor of Education

Hector Cuevas – Doctor of Education

Christine Joy Ginther – Doctor of Education

Alli Hurtado – Doctor of Education

Sarah Ray - Doctor Education

## **Terry College of Business**

Sarah McClure – *Bachelor of Business Administration*

Prelude	
Processional*	
Invocation* .....	Ms. Linda Groce <i>Candidate, Education Specialist, Mathematics Education, PreK - 8 Mary Frances Early College of Education</i>
Presentation of Colors* .....	Color Guard <i>Spalding County High School</i>
Pledge of Allegiance* .....	Mr. Alex George <i>Sergeant First Class (RET), UGA Alumnus</i>
Welcome.....	Dr. Jeffrey Dean <i>Assistant Provost and Griffin Campus Director</i>
Introduction of Keynote Speaker.....	Mr. Macray Metz <i>Candidate, Master of Science, Food Science &amp; Technology College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences</i>
Keynote Speaker.....	Mr. Tracy Roper <i>Team Director for Launch in Transitions, Chick-fil-A, Inc.</i>
Introduction of Student Speaker.....	Ms. Faye Chatman <i>Program Director, Franklin College of Arts &amp; Sciences</i>
Student Speaker.....	Ms. Madeline Choate <i>Candidate, Bachelor of Science, Microbiology and Bachelor of Science, Psychology Franklin College of Arts &amp; Sciences</i>
Introduction of Students by College.....	Ms. Melissa Todd <i>Assistant Director of Academic and Student Affairs, Griffin Campus</i>
College Representatives.....	
	Dr. Anna Stenport <i>Dean, Franklin College of Arts and Sciences</i>
	Dr. Dean Kopsell <i>Associate Dean, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences</i>
	Dr. Manpreet Singh <i>Associate Dean, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences</i>
	Dr. Scott Ardoin <i>Associate Dean, Mary Frances Early College of Education</i>
	Dr. Laura Clark <i>Director, Office of Undergraduate Programs, Terry College of Business</i>
	Dr. Anne Shaffer <i>Associate Dean, Graduate School</i>
Alma Mater* .....	Miss. Liliana K <i>8th Grader</i>
UGA Alumni Association Remarks.....	Ms Lee Zell (BA 1996) <i>Immediate Past President, UGA Alumni Association</i>
Closing Remarks.....	Dr. Jeffrey Dean
Recessional*	

## UGA ALMA MATER

From the hills of Georgia's northland  
Beams thy noble brow,  
And the sons of Georgia rising  
Pledge with sacred vow.

'Neath the pine tree's stately shadow  
Spread thy riches rare,  
And thy sons, dear Alma Mater,  
Will thy treasure share.

And thy daughters proudly join thee,  
Take their rightful place,  
Side by side into the future,  
Equal dreams embrace.

Through the ages, Alma Mater,  
Men will look to thee;  
Thou the fairest of the Southland  
Georgia's Varsity.

### Chorus:

Alma Mater, thee we'll honor,  
True and loyal be,  
Ever crowned with praise and glory,  
Georgia, hail to thee.

*Written by J.B. Wright, Jr., Class of 1912. Third verse written by Gail Carter  
Dendy, B.A. '74, M.A. '81.*

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