

Hi Patriots!

It's Health and Science Industry Week at Mason! Check out all of the ways to connect below. Don't hesitate to email us at ggs@gmu.edu with any questions!



Important Dates



Dissertation/Thesis Deadline: **April 30th**
 Examination Period: **May 3rd to May 10th**
 Commencement: **May 14th**
 Degree Conferral Date: **May 15th**

GGG has a Discord!



Discord is an instant messaging platform enabling users to communicate with voice calls, video calls, text messaging, media and files in private chats or as part of communities. Join the GGS (Students Only) Discord server [here](#).

Health and Science Industry Week



Join Mason nation from March 29th-April 2nd for Health and Science Industry Week! Health & Science Industry Week gives you the opportunity to explore career paths by meeting with professionals working in these fields. During these virtual event series, learn from people who have been there, explore opportunities, and go behind the scenes to find out what it takes to work in these fast-growing fields!

Event Spotlight: She Scientists

Tuesday, March 30th, 5:30PM-6:30PM
 Women are underrepresented in STEM fields. Connect with professional women in the sciences to learn about their careers, how they've put their degree to work, and how you can, too!
 Panelists include:
Janice Rojas (Mason alumna) - Forensic Scientist at D.C. Department of Forensic Sciences
Sarah Weiskopf - Biologist at U.S. Geological Survey
Katie Webber - Clinical Research Assistant at Children's National, Center for Cancer & Immunology Research
Meghan Andrews (GGG Mason alumna) - Data Visualization & GIS Specialist at Wood Samantha Cooke, GGS Operations Manager, will be moderating the panel.
 Join the Zoom meeting [here](#). Register for the event via Handshake [here](#). Additional Health and Science Industry Week events can be found [here](#).

Job Opportunities



Machine Learning Specialist Needed

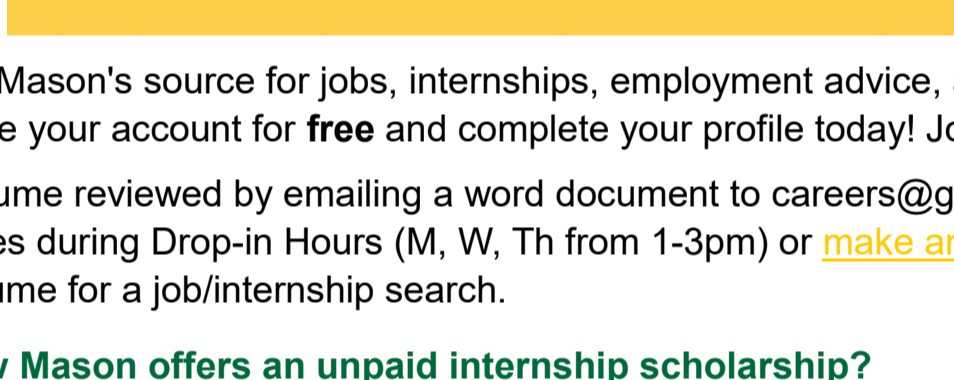
Kantar Public is seeking a machine learning analyst to join the team. The role will support the international development practice serving clients focused on solving social problems in developing countries in Africa and Asia, as well as public policy research in developed countries. Qualifications include having a Master's degree in a highly quantitative field or equivalent experience. To apply or for more information about this job opportunity, click [here](#).

Geospatial Analyst Needed

Leidos, a large defense government contractor, is seeking to recent GGS graduates who are looking for an entry level GIS position in the Northern Virginia area. This position directly supports key customer mission requirements for maritime navigation safety. GIS software skills are required to analyze, manipulate, and transform geographic data into military specified compliance. No clearance is required, but only those who are eligible to receive one should apply. Email your resume to Program Manager Kevin Gervais at kevin.p.gervais@leidos.com.

Research Experience Opportunity

This summer, virtually through Citizen Science GIS at University of Central Florida, the National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates & Teachers (REU/RET) will be hosting the "Preparing the Next Generation of Scholars through Community GIS and Citizen Science" program. This virtual program (due to COVID) offers fully funded summer research experiences for eight undergraduate students and two K-12 teachers. Participants will also be invited to a fully funded ten-day fieldwork experience to Belize in early 2022 as COVID conditions improve.
Program Dates: Virtual from June 1st to July 9th, 2021. Belize fieldwork, early 2022.
Application process: Priority application deadline is Friday, April 9th. For more information, or to apply, click [here](#).
Funding: \$4200 research stipend, \$750 for post-REU conference travel or industry visits, research methods books, technology support, and all expenses covered for 2022 Belize fieldwork.
3/31 Zoom session: Join this session from 4 to 5PM EST on Zoom to ask questions and learn more about the program with the REU/RET faculty. Register [here](#).
 For additional questions, please email Dr. Timothy Hawthorne, Director of Citizen Science GIS at University of Central Florida, at timothy.hawthorne@ucf.edu.

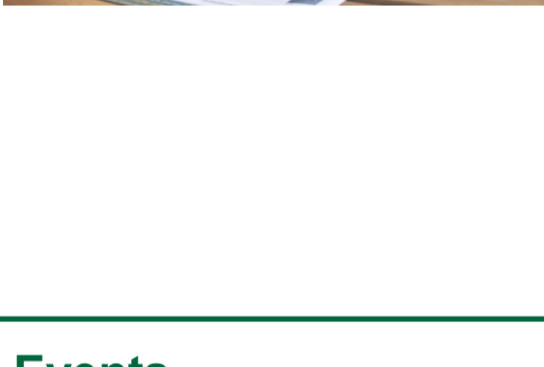


Handshake is Mason's source for jobs, internships, employment advice, and career fair details. Activate your account for **free** and complete your profile today! Join [here](#). Have your resume reviewed by emailing a word document to careers@gmu.edu, visiting Career Services during Drop-in Hours (M, W, Th from 1-3pm) or [make an appointment](#) to tailor your resume for a job/internship search.

Did you know Mason offers an unpaid internship scholarship?

Students may receive up to up to \$1000 during the fall and spring semesters and \$3000 during the summer term. Students must have a minimum 2.0 GPA and be a currently enrolled, degree-seeking student. They will be accepting applications for Summer 2021 Internships until April 1st. Additional information about this opportunity can be found [here](#). Create your Handshake account [here](#). Handshake is Mason's source for jobs, internships, employment advice, and career fair details.

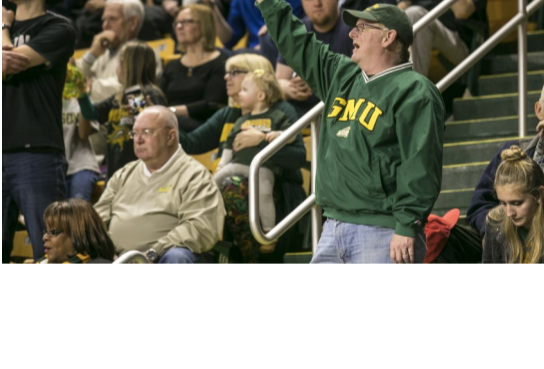
ASPR Opportunity



ASPRS announces student conference presentation grants!

ASPRS, with support of the ASPRS Foundation, has identified funding to sponsor Student Presentations in the upcoming ASPRS 2021 Annual Conference, which will be held virtually from March 29 – April 2, 2021. Individuals who are awarded Student Presentation Grants will have their conference registration fees waived, and will receive a complementary one-year student membership in ASPRS. Click [here](#) for full details.

Events



Green & Sustainable Careers Mini-Conference

Thursday, April 1, 1:30PM-3:30PM
 This virtual multi-faceted mini-conference is for students to engage with sustainability professionals on a variety of career development topics including career planning, writing effective application materials, and job searching. Register for the event [here](#).

Clearance Ready: Introduction to Security Clearances

Tuesday, March 30, 5PM-6PM
 Are you considering a career either in the government or with an organization that does business with the government? If so, there is a good chance that you will need a security clearance to be able to actually do your job! Learn about the steps you will have to go through to obtain a clearance and what you can begin doing now to make the process easier down the road. Join the Zoom meeting [here](#).

College of Health & Human Services Alumni - The Path from Degree to Career

Friday, April 2, 2PM-3PM
 Engage virtually with alumni from the College of Health & Human Services to learn how they navigated the "world of work" post-graduation! You'll gain first-hand accounts on how our alumni utilize their Mason education in the health industry. Register for the event [here](#).

Resources



Student Emergency Assistance Funding – Spring 2021

Applications will be open from January 21st to April 26th. You must be enrolled in the Mason Spring 2021 term in a degree-seeking program at the time you apply for emergency assistance. An application for emergency assistance funding will NOT be considered until you have exhausted all other sources of financial assistance, including all subsidized and unsubsidized loans. To apply or for more information, click [here](#).

Capital Area Food Bank

Click [here](#) for food resources and other assistance.

Contemporary Student Services

Contemporary Student Services gives information about available student resources, highlights opportunities for student involvement, and provides social support. Learn more [here](#).

Temporary SNAP Eligibility for College Students

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is a federal program under the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service. SNAP provides a monthly benefit to individuals and families through an Electronic Benefits Card (EBT) to purchase food. Effective January 16, 2021, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 temporarily expands SNAP eligibility to include students enrolled at least half-time in an institution of higher education, who either:

- 1) Are eligible to participate in state or federally-financed work-study during the regular school year (it is not required to actually participate in work-study), or
- 2) Have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$0 in the current academic year.

Learn more information [here](#). Apply for SNAP benefits [here](#).

UCGIS Discount

Looking for some targeted professional development to enhance your mapping and spatial analysis skills with R? Consider upcoming summer 2021 sessions of [Spatial Statistics for GIS Using R](#) or [Mapping in R!](#) These 4 week long online classes are available to individuals from UCGIS member Institutions each at a \$150 discount (25% off the \$589 per class price). To access the discounted registration price directly, enter "UCGIS2021" as your promo code. To confirm your eligibility via a UCGIS member institution affiliation, use your official .edu email address when you register.

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