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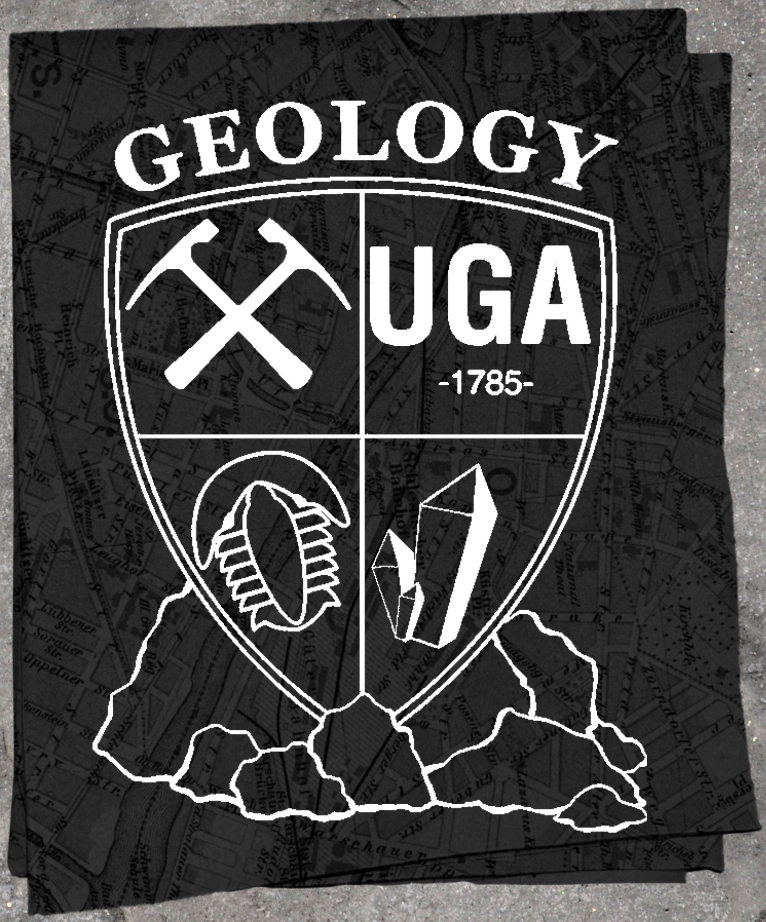

AWARDS CEREMONY 2025

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UNDERGRADUATE ACCOLADES

B.S. / A.B. Recipients
Fall 2024 – Spring 2025

William Bell
Gabriel Boyd
Sali Boyer
Ella Claxton
Abigail Davis
Shivani Desai
Javier Fajardo
Olivia Francois
Davis Huber
Emma Sprigle
Grey Taylor
Sierra Wermuth

Outstanding Undergraduate
Student of the Year 2024-2025

Davis Huber

Outstanding Field Camp
Student of the Year 2024-2025

Gabriel Boyd

SENIOR THESES/ RESEARCH/PRESENTATIONS

William Bell: Mineral transformations of lunar and planetary regolith simulants upon sterilization: Implications for their soil nutrient properties. UGA CURO Symposium 2025.

Hailey Bos: Changes in sandstone composition across unconformities in the Cloverly Formation of Wyoming. UGA CURO Symposium 2025.

Ella Claxton: Claxton, E., Chukwuma, T. and Garing, C., 2025. Characterization of mineral reactivity of target reservoir rock for geologic carbon storage, University of Georgia Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunity (CURO) Symposium, April 7-8 2025, Athens, GA.

Abigail Davis:

- 2024 Davis, A. and Walker, S.E. Body size in barnacles from the Middle to late Miocene, Calvert Cliffs, Maryland: Substrate, biotic density and climate change matters. Geological Society of America Meeting, Abstracts with Programs, 56 (5): doi: 10.1130/abs/2024AM-404165 Fall 2024.
- 2024. Davis, A. and Walker, S.E. Isotopic ecology of large barnacles from the Middle Miocene Climatic Transition, Calvert Cliffs, Maryland: Do baracle plates record similar paleoclimatic signatures and do barances have sasonal light and dark growth bands like mollusks? North America Paleontological Convention, University of Michigan, Papers in Paleontology No. 39: 166–167. Summer 2024.
- 2024 Davis, A. and Walker, S.E. Body size in barnacles from the Middle to late Miocene, Calvert Cliffs, Maryland: Substrate, biotic density and climate change matters. CURO Spring 2025.

Javier Fajardo: A tectonic map of the Orientale Basin on the Moon. CURO Symposium 2025.

Davis Huber:

- 2025 Huber, D., Spencer, Q., Kenney, B., Walker, SE. 25 years of climate change threaten to shrink Georgia's barrier Islands and marshes. AAAS Annual Meeting, Boston, Mass, Feb 2025. Award-winning poster presentation.
- 2025 Huber, D., Spencer, Q., Kenney, B., Walker, SE. 25 years of climate change threaten to shrink Georgia's barrier Islands and marshes. CURO Spring 2025.

Alexandra Grace Lang:

- Senior Thesis: Alexandra Grace Lang, Mt. Etna's Mercury and Downwind Populations, University of Georgia.
- Alexandra Grace Lang, Daniele Andronico, Simona Caruso, Rosa Anna Corsaro, Antonio Cristaldi, Mattia Pistone (2025) Do shape and size of erupted tephra reflect their porosity? An investigation of representative tephra from explosive eruptions at Mt Etna (Italy), 2025 IAVCEI (Geneva, Switzerland) for oral presentation.
- Alexandra Grace Lang, Grace Elizabeth Cantele, Carly Daniel, Sarah C. Jantzi, Xiaoyu Xu, Dogancan Yasar, Paul A. Schroeder, Kamal Gandhi, Brittany Frances Barnes, Caterina Villari, Nicole Bobrowski, Rosa Anna Corsaro, Aaron Thompson, Alexander Cherkinsky, Avishek Dutta, Srimanti Duttagupta, Mattia Pistone (2025) How does volcanic mercury impact the environment? A time-integrated analysis of mercury dispersion and accumulation in plants, insects, and soils at Mt Etna (Italy), 2025 IAVCEI (Geneva, Switzerland) for poster presentation.

Michael Petersen: Investigating Fracture Networks in the South Polar Terrain of Enceladus. CURO Symposium 2025.

Grace Stamm: Thesis: Anion-Mediated Pathways in Organophosphate Degradation in the Oconee River Watershed in Georgia

Abigail Roselli Verna: Senior Thesis: Abigail Roselli Verna, Multiphase basaltic lava rheology: A case study of Mt Etna, University of Georgia.

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

CURO Research Awardees

Hailey Bos

Ella Claxton

Abigail Davis

Davis Huber

Alexandra Grace Lang

Scholarships & External Awards

Georgia Museum of Natural History Laerm Award:
Grace Lang

American Institute of Professional Geologists Georgia Section Scholarship:
Asa Ferguson

Shellebarger Endowment support:
Abigail Davis
Emma Head

GRADUATE STUDENT ACCOLADES

M.S. Recipients
2024 - 2025

Abubakar Aliyu
Recording tectonostratigraphic complexity and fault damage zones in the Cañon City Embayment, Colorado. M.S. thesis advised by Christian Klimczak.

Kwaku Asiedu
Imaging subsurface fracture characteristics using electrical resistivity tomography technique: A case study in Dougherty County, southwest Georgia. M.S. thesis advised by Dr. Charlotte Garing.

Grace Burns
The Stable Isotope Paleoecology and Morphometric Investigation of the Scallop Chesapecten coccymelus in Bed 10 of the Calvert Cliffs, Maryland, USA. M.S. thesis advised by Dr. Sally Walker.

Carlynn Daniel
How are paroxysms generated at mafic volcanoes? Insights into the 2020–2022 Mt. Etna eruption activity. M.S. thesis advised by Mattia Pistone.

Kaitlyn Hulsey
Building up magma reservoirs in the Earth's crust: case of Stone Mountain. M.S. thesis advised by Mattia Pistone.

GRADUATE STUDENT ACCOLADES

M.S. Recipients
2024 - 2025

Emily Jackson
Paleosols and Sequence-Stratigraphic Architecture: a Test in the Cloverly Formation of Wyoming. M.S. thesis advised by Dr. Steven Holland.

Amy Laubenstein
Three-Dimensional Hydrostratigraphic Characterization of the Claiborne Aquifer in Southwest Georgia, USA. M.S. thesis advised by Dr. Adam Milewski.

Jackson Oakey
Flow or blow? Understanding magma flow in conduits during vesiculation. M.S. thesis advised by Mattia Pistone.

Cade Orchard
Nonmarine stratigraphic architecture in response to transgression: a test in the Cretaceous Cloverly Formation of Wyoming. M.S. thesis advised by Steven Holland.

Michael Stefanou
Carolina Bays and their Connection to Natural Hydrogen Gas Seepage in the Southeastern United States. M.S. thesis advised by Dr. Adam Milewski.

GRADUATE STUDENT ACCOLADES

Ph.D. Recipients
2024-2025

Lea Davidson

Evolving ephemeral channels: characterizing shifting flow dynamics and their hydrologic impact in semi-arid environments. Ph.D. dissertation advised by Adam Milewski.

Yonesha Donaldson

Characterizing Inland Freshwater Lens Formation and Geometry in Drylands using Near-surface Geophysics and Computational Approaches. Ph.D. dissertation advised by Adam Milewski.

Stephan Loveless

Investigations of Lithospheric Shortening on Mercury: Insights into Structure and Orientation of Thrust Faults and Application to Global Contraction. Ph.D. dissertation advised by Christian Klimczak.

Fabian Zowam

A satellite-based approach for quantifying terrestrial water cycle intensity and its relationship with groundwater availability in data-scarce arid regions. Ph.D. dissertation advised by Adam Milewski.

Congratulations to all of our 2024-2025 graduates!

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS & TECHNICAL REPORTS

Basapuram, G., S. Duttagupta, and A. Dutta. 2024. Detection and screening of organic contaminants in a riverine system of georgia using non-targeted analysis. Environments 11:89

Bledsoe, S.A., and C. Klimczak. 2025. Global distribution of canali on Venus. Journal of Maps 21:1–10

Bledsoe, S.A., and C. Klimczak. 2024. Global distribution of lava channels on Venus. Mendeley Data 10.17632/frsh4z5f4v.1

Hanawalt, Laura E., **Michael P. Cuilik**, and R. B. Hawman (2024), Using contrasts in horizontal P-wave reflectivity to map the base of the continental lithosphere: Results for the central and eastern U.S., Tectonophysics, 891, 230512, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tecto.2024.230512.

Imolore, M.O., and **R.O. Aderoju**. 2024. Geotechnical properties and potentials of a bentonite stabilized lateritic soil as landfill liners. Journal of Earth and Atmospheric Research 7:189-200

Loveless, S.R., C. Klimczak, K.T. Crane, and P. Byrne. 2025. Geometric forward modeling of thrust systems underlying shortening landforms on Mercury. Earth ArXiv 10.31223/X58B0B

Loveless, S.R., C. Klimczak, L.R. McCullough, and K.T. Crane, S.M. Holland, and P.K. Byrne. 2024. A statistical evaluation of the morphological variability of shortening landforms on Mercury. Icarus 416:116106

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS & TECHNICAL REPORTS

McCullough, L.R., K.T. Crane, **S.R. Loveless**, and C. Klimczak. 2024. Morphological and structural characterization of shortening landforms on Mars. Journal of Geophysical Research: Planets 129:e2023JE008196

Olawale, L.O., O. Shafiee, D.A. Higgins, and B. Ghanbarian. 2025. Autocorrelation and multifractal detrended fluctuation analyses reveal superdiffusive mass transport in solvent-filled nanoporous media. Analytical Chemistry 71:229–237

Tonato, A., T. Shea, and D.T. Downs. 2025. Radiocarbon ages, whole-rock chemistry, and electron probe microanalysis of lavas (1877, 1832, 1823, Kealaalea Hills, and Keanakāko‘i Tephra periods) from Kīlauea's summit and Southwest Rift Zone, Island of Hawai‘i. U.S. Geological Survey data release, https://doi.org/10.5066/P148VQMM

PRESENTATIONS/ABSTRACTS

Adigun, H.Y., F.M. Abiodun, U.A. Kehinde, and **A.R. Oluwadolapo**. 2025. Geochemical anomaly detection using unsupervised machine learning within the north-central Nigerian Basement Complex. 60th Annual International Conference & Exhibition of the Nigerian Mining and Geoscience Society

Asiedu, K., and C. Garing. 2024. Imaging subsurface fracture characteristics using electrical resistivity tomography technique: a case study in Dougherty County, southwest Georgia. American Geophysical Union, abstract NS31A-1166

Asiedu, K., A. Laubenstein, A. Milewski, and C. Garing. 2025. Hydrogeophysical characterization of the Claiborne Aquifer using borehole geophysical techniques. Georgia Water Resources Conference

Basapuram,G., S. Duttagupta, and A. Dutta - 2024. Biochemical Transformation of Pesticides in Riverine Ecosystem. ASM microbes 2024 conference

Basapuram, G., S. Duttagupta, and A. Dutta. 2024. Effect of physicochemical parameters on biotransformation of organic compounds in riverine ecosystem. Goldschmidt 2024, abstract 22569

Basapuram, G., S. Duttagupta, and A. Dutta. 2024. Microorganisms mediate fate and transport of organic contaminants in the riverine ecosystem: implications for geohealth. PROGRESS 2024 Precision One Health Symposium

Bledsoe, S.A., and C. Klimczak. 2025. A global map of the Venusian Valles. 56th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference

Bradley, T.W., P.A. Schroeder, D.A. Crowe, and G. Karpov. 2024. Mineral mapping in Uzon Caldera and implications for monitoring surficial alteration over time. American Geophysical Union

PRESENTATIONS/ABSTRACTS

Burns, G., K. Parsons-Hubbard, and S.E. Walker. 2024. Chemical and biological dissolution of carbonate at the East Flower Garden brine seep. North American Paleontological Convention

Chukwuma, T.A., Z. Shi, L.E. Beckingham, and C. Garing. 2024. Multimodal characterization of hydrogeochemical alterations in carbonate and clay-rich rocks due to mineral dissolution. American Geophysical Union, abstract 1667585

Chukwuma, T.A., Z. Shi, L.E. Beckingham, and C. Garing. 2025. Multimodal and multiscale characterization of hydrogeochemical alterations in carbonate and clay-rich sandstones due to dissolution reactions with reactive brine. David S. Snipes / Clemson Hydrogeology Symposium

Claxton, E.**, T. Chukwuma**, and C. Garing. 2025. Characterization of mineral reactivity of target reservoir rock for geologic carbon storage. UGA Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities Symposium

Donaldson, Y.Y., K. Eam, G. Szafko, J. Estrada, K. Keating, J. Hayes, C. Harman, and J. Moore. 2024. A near-surface geophysical approach to characterize two different critical zone subsurface architectures in the piedmont region. American Geophysical Union

Erard-Stone, E., and B. Ferguson. 2024. Batch sorption analysis of iodine in selected biochars and FerroBlack®: UGA Odum School of Ecology, Graduate Student Symposium Abstracts

Erard-Stone, E., and B. Ferguson. 2025. Batch sorption analysis of iodine in selected biochars and FerroBlack®: David S. Snipes / Clemson Hydrogeology Symposium

Erard-Stone, E., K. Greene, W. Xing, and B. Ferguson. 2025. Evaluating sorbents for the removal of iodine-129 in contaminated groundwater: Migration of Actinides and Fission Products in the Geosphere

PRESENTATIONS/ABSTRACTS

Hubert, H., A. Milewski, and T. Rasmussen. 2025. Investigating aquifer connectivity and transmissivity in southwest Georgia through the Groundwater app. Georgia Water Resources Conference, abstract 57

Hassan, Y.A., A. Musa, and **R.O. Aderoju**. 2024. Evaluating mining-induced aquifer vulnerability to heavy metal contamination around Birnin-Yauri mining sites, northwestern Nigeria. 2nd Annual International Conference of the Nigerian Association of Exploration Geophysicists for Geoscientists and Engineers

Laubenstein, A., and A. Milewski. 2025. Modeling the hydrostratigraphy of aquifer systems in southwest Georgia USA. Georgia Water Resources Conference, poster 59

Laubenstein, A., A. Milewski, and S. Holland. 2024. Understanding groundwater–surface water interaction in southwest Georgia through principal components analysis (PCA). American Geophysical Union, abstract H41M-0722

Loveless, S.R., and C. Klimczak. 2024. Amount of global contraction on Mercury derived from different datasets consistently yields several kilometers of radius change. American Geophysical Union 2024, abstract 1694431

Loveless, S.R., and C. Klimczak. 2025. Multiple km of radial contraction for Mercury was calculated using multiple fault data sets. Informal Mercury Meeting 2025, abstract 6007

Loveless, S., C. Klimczak, and I. Matsuyama. 2024. Tectonic patterns of solar tides overlapping with global contraction on Mercury. Lunar and Planetary Science Conference, abstract 2250

Oladipo, O.V., and V.A. Nzengung. 2024. Sustainable approach for boron stabilization in coal combustion wastewaters. UGA River Basin Center Confluence

PRESENTATIONS/ABSTRACTS

Oladipo, O.V., O.R. Oseni, and V.A. Nzengung. 2025. Sustainable approach for boron stabilization in coal combustion wastewaters. Georgia Water Resources Conference

Oseni, O.R., O.V. Oladipo, and V.A. Nzengung. 2024. Evaluation of chicken manure extract and compost tea for simultaneous rhizodegradation of perchlorate and nitrate. American Geophysical Union, abstract 1681099

Oseni, O.R., O.V. Oladipo, and V.A. Nzengung. 2025. Enhancing phytoremediation of perchlorate and nitrate in biochar-amended bioreactors: investigating the role of adsorption. Georgia Water Resources Conference

Oseni, O.R., O.V. Oladipo, and V.A. Nzengung. 2025. Investigating adsorption as a pathway in the degradation of perchlorate and nitrate in planted bioreactors. Clemson Hydrogeology Symposium

Shi, Z., **T. Chukwuma**, L.E. Beckingham, J. Montgomery, and C. Garing. 2024. Evolution of transport and mechanical properties for different mineral dissolution patterns. American Geophysical Union. Invited presentation

Stefanou, M.R., and A.M. Milewski. 2024. An analysis of carolina bays and their connection to natural hydrogen gas seepage. American Geophysical Union

Stefanou, M.R., and A.M. Milewski. 2024. Using LiDAR to map and analyze Carolina Bays. ACF Waters Conference

Tonato, A., T. Shea, D.T. Downs and K. Kelfoun. 2025. Rapid emplacement of the 1823 CE Keaīwa lava flow from the Great Crack in the Southwest Rift Zone of Kīlauea volcano. American Geophysical Union Chapman Conference, abstract 1772661

EXTERNAL GRANTS

Kwaku Asiedu:

- Geological Society of America. Integrating surface and subsurface geophysical techniques to characterize the Claiborne Aquifer, southwest Georgia
- UGA River Basin Center, John Spencer Research Grant. Assessing aquifer connectivity and recharge sites using electrical resistivity tomography in Dougherty County, southwest Georgia

Elise Bortell: Society for Sedimentary Geology. The link between coal thickness and accommodation: A test in the Breathitt Group of eastern Kentucky

Grace Burns:

- Geological Society of America Student Research Grant. The stable isotope paleoecology and morphometric investigation of the scallop *Chesapecten coccymelus* in bed 10 of the Calvert Cliffs, Maryland, USA
- Paleontological Society Student Research Grant. The stable isotope paleoecology and morphometric investigation of the scallop *Chesapecten coccymelus* in bed 10 of the Calvert Cliffs, Maryland, USA

Yannie Donaldson: National Science Foundation. Geophysics of the near-surface: an outdoor motivational experience for students

Emily Jackson: Geological Society of America Student Research Grant. Paleosols and sequence-stratigraphic architecture: a test in the Cloverly Formation of Wyoming

EXTERNAL GRANTS

Stevie Loveless:

- Mercury Exploration Assessment Group Travel Stipend
- Lunar and Planetary Science Conference Early Career Networking Event Travel Grant

Spencer Shroyer: Society for Sedimentary Geology. Using ecological gradients in offshore facies to reconstruct stacking patterns: Pennsylvanian Breathitt Group of eastern Kentucky, U.S.A

Michael Stefanou: Geological Society of America Student Research Grant. A multi-level approach to identifying natural hydrogen seepage in Carolina Bays

Andrea Tonato: National Science Foundation, AGU Chapman Conference. Caldera-forming eruptions at basaltic volcanoes: insights and puzzles from Kiauea 2018 and beyond

GRADUATE STUDENT RECOGNITION

Internal UGA Geology Funding

Miriam Watts-Wheeler Research Scholarships

Raymond Aderoju
Gayatri Basapuram
Elise Bortell
Haley Hubert
Kade McClain
Olajide Oladipo
Luqman Olawale
Teryn Rollo
Spencer Shroyer

Miriam Watts-Wheeler Travel Scholarships

Kwaku Asiedu
Taran Bradley
Tracy Chukwuma
Lea Davidson
Amy Laubenstein
Stevie Loveless
Oyin Oseni
Michael Stefanou
Fabian Zowam
Carly Daniel
Sydney Bledsoe
Yannie Donaldson

Gilles and Bernadette Allard Geology Award

Elise Bortell
Kade McClain

GRADUATE STUDENT RECOGNITION

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award 2024-2025

Emily Jackson, M.S.
Oyindamola Oseni, Ph.D.

Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year 2024-2025

Stephan Loveless, Ph.D.
Lea Davidson, Ph.D.
Kwaku Asiedu, M.S.

A.A.P.G. Imperial Barrel Award Team

Hailey Hubert
Hays Slaughter
Luqman Olawale
Raymond Aderoju

Graduate Student Faculty Meeting Representative 2024-2025

Stephan Loveless

GRADUATE STUDENT RECOGNITION

Graduate School Travel Grant

Stevie Loveless
Lea Davidson
Michael Stefanou
Amy Laubenstein
Kwaku Asiedu
Oyin Oseni
Fabian Zowam

GeoAmbassadors 2024-2025

Hailey Bos
Grace Burns
Abby Davis
Emily Jackson
Amy Laubenstein
Greta Mayberry
Gail Verna

ExxonMobil Short Course

Hailey Bos
Emily Erard-Stone
Haley Hubert
Emily Jackson
Spencer Shroyer
Grey Taylor

GRADUATE STUDENT RECOGNITION

Kwaku Asiedu: 2nd place in poster presentation, River Basin Center Water Science and Policy Poster Symposium

Tracy Chukwuma: Student Scholarship Program Award, Georgia Environmental Conference

Stevie Loveless:

- Outstanding Student Presentation Award, American Geophysical Union
- Future Faculty Fellow
- ExxonMobil internship

Olajide Oladipo:

- 1st place in poster presentation, UGA River Basin Center Second Annual Confluence
- Geosyntec internship

Andrea Tonato: Selected for international summer school, Working on Active Volcanoes, Lipari, Italy

FACULTY ACCOLADES

Professor of the Year

Dr. Charlotte Garing

Teacher of the Year

Dr. Sally Walker

Shellebarger Professorship

Dr. Steven Holland

Student Career Success Influencer Award 2024

Dr. Mattia Pistone

Dr. Charlotte Garing

Faculty Retirement, 1992-2024

Dr. Ervan Garrison

FACULTY SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Adam Milewski

Klepser Lecturer

Dr. Mattia Pistone

2024-2025 Geological Society of America – Continental Scientific Drilling Distinguished Lecturer

Dr. Paul Schroeder

Mineralogical Society of America Fellow
2025 AIPEA Fellowship

Dr. Sally Walker

Awarded Platinum Membership, AAAS 2025 for service
Nominated and Elected, AAAS Section E Chair (Geology and Geography) 2025
Organizer and Moderator, AAAS Scientific Session on Antarctica, 2025

NEW/RENEWED FACULTY GRANTS

Dr. Avishek Dutta and Dr. Srimanti Duttagupta: National Science Foundation: RAPID: Impact of Extreme Weather Events on Biogeochemical Cycling and Microbial Dynamics: Assessing Post-Hurricane Helene Shifts in the Oconee River Watershed (2024-2025), $14,781, Roles - PI: Dr. Srimanti Duttagupta and Co-PI: Dr. Avishek Dutta

Dr. Charlotte Garing:

1. Renewed: NSF IRES (Track I), A Multi-Faceted Approach for Understanding Hydrologic Controls on Transmission Losses in Dryland Environments, 7/2020 – 2/2025, $299,500, Role: Co-PI
2. Renewed: NSF MRI, Track 1 Acquisition of a High-Resolution X-ray Computed Microtomography System with In Situ Capabilities for Multidisciplinary Research and Education, 9/2023 – 9/2026, $1,177,779, Role: PI
3. Renewed: GA Office of Planning & Budget, Resilient and Sustainable Water-Resources Development Using Deep Groundwater in the Lower Flint River Basin, 6/2022 – 6/2027, $1,300,000, Role: Co-PI
4. New: DOE CarbonSafe Phase III, Project Antheia: Developing Decarbonization Solutions for Georgia, 2/2025-2/2028, $2,075,000 [$84,920,765 total for the project], Role: Co-PI

Dr. Steven Holland: Collaborative research: Stratigraphic paleobiology field conference, National Science Foundation

Dr. Paul Schroeder:

1. Renewed: BSRA DOE contract for Mineralogy and exchange properties of SRS Area F aquifer.
2. New: ITU BAP: Investigation and Evaluation of Bedrock Source Rock Stratigraphic Relations and Mineralogical Geochemical Changes of Clay Formations in Şile Neogene Basin.
3. New: NSF EA: Upgrade to X-ray Diffraction Multiuser Facility

NEW/RENEWED FACULTY GRANTS

Dr. Adam Milewski:

1. 2024-2026. Milewski, A., Co-PI, Assessing Compound Flood Impacts on Groundwater Levels in Coastal Urban Communities, US Coastal Research Program, (2024-2026; Total: $477,448).
2. 2024-2027. Milewski, A., PI, Project Antheia: Developing Decarbonization Solutions for Georgia, Department of Energy CarbonSAFE, (2024-2027; Total: $62,000,000; UGA: $2,075,000).
3. 2024-2026. Milewski, A., P.I., Surficial Aquifer Response at Mission Mine Site in Georgia, Chemours, (2024-2026; Total: $179,000).
4. 2024-2028. Milewski, A., Co-P.I., Risk-Informed, Performance-Based Evaluation of Local and Regional Surface and Groundwater Hydrology using Alternative Conceptual Models, Chemours, (2024-2028; Total: $552,000).

Dr. Mattia Pistone:

1. The excess gas paradox at volcanoes: does CO2 favor gas accumulation in mafic magmas?, National Science Foundation – Division of Earth Science – Petrology and Geochemistry [US$ 442,241] Role: PI
2. DE BELLO VULCANICO or The Volcanic War: Forecasting Gas Release versus Retention in Magmas prior to Volcanic Eruptions, UGA Sarah H. Moss Fellowship [US$ 10,000] Role: PI
3. DIVE: Drilling the Ivrea-Verbano zonE – Phase 1: Drilling into the pre-Permian mafic and felsic lower crust, International Continental Scientific Drilling Program (04-2020) [US$ 1,000,000] Role: PI out of 7
4. CLIMAX: Was Chimborazo volcano (Ecuador) the climate modulator leading to the Antonine Plague in the Roman Empire during the second century AD?, Teaming for Interdisciplinary Research Pre-Seed Program, University of Georgia [US$ 4,250] Role: PI

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Arbabai, S., Taghi Sattari, M., Fathollahzadeh Attar, N., **Milewski, A.**, Sakizadeh, M., 2024, Precipitation Modeling Based on Spatio-Temporal Variation in Urmia Lake Basin using Machine Learning Methods, Water, 16(9), 1246.

Badawy, A., Sultan, M., Abdelmohsen, K., Yan, E., Elhaddad Hesham, **Milewski, A.**, and Torres-Uribe, H., 2024, Egypt's Floods and Droughts in the 21st Century, Scientific Reports 14, 27031.

Basapuram, G, **Duttagupta, S.**, **Dutta, A.**, (2024) Detection and Screening of Organic Contaminants in A Riverine System of Georgia using Non-Targeted Analysis. Environments, 11, 89. https://doi.org/10.3390/environments11050089

Bledsoe, S. A., and **Klimczak., C.**: Global distribution of canali on Venus. Journal of Maps 21(1), 2465669, 2025. doi:10.1080/17445647.2025.2465669

Cheng, H. C. J., and **Klimczak., C.**: Tectonic patterns on Vesta and Ceres revealed by polygonal impact craters. Icarus 433, 116528, 2025. doi:10.1016/j.icarus.2025.116528

Connors, E., **Dutta, A.**, Trinh, R., Erazo, N., Dasarathy, S., Ducklow, H., Weissman, J.L., Yeh, Y-C Schofield, O., Steinberg, D., Fuhrman, J., Bowman, J.S. (2024) Microbial community composition predicts bacterial production across ocean ecosystems, The ISME Journal, Volume 18, Issue 1, January 2024, wrae158, https://doi.org/10.1093/ismejo/wrae158

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