

Association of Retired Faculty & Staff



UWG ARFS is an official voting member of the Georgia Association of Higher Education Retiree Organizations (GA-HERO) and a member of the international Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE).



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What is ARFS?

The Association of Retired Faculty and Staff (ARFS) at the University of West Georgia was organized in 2004 to create a climate in which all retired faculty and staff feel welcomed by and re-connected to their former institution and their fellow retirees. Its purposes are to:

- Promote the well-being of its members
- Support the University of West Georgia retiree community
- Foster continued involvement of retirees in the mission of the university
- Facilitate communication between the university and its retirees
- Seek to promote the scholarly, social, and cultural interests of the retiree community
- Address matters related to benefits and resources for retirees

How do I become a member?

All faculty and staff who have retired from UWG are eligible for membership. Membership is achieved and maintained through the provision of current contact information (email or regular mail) to the Office of Human Resources. Retirees can give consent to be contacted by ARFS at separation from UWG.

Who directs the activities of ARFS?

Activities of ARFS are directed by a Coordinating Council elected at the Annual Meeting and consisting of 5 officers (president, vice-president, past president, secretary, and treasurer) and at least 6 at-large members. All active members of ARFS are eligible for election to the council.

Who do I contact if I need information or have a question about ARFS?

Check out our website at westga.edu/hr or contact the UWG Human Resources Department at hrservices@westga.edu or 678-839-6403.

ARFS Activities and Benefits

In addition to the benefits listed below, ARFS offers a variety of academic, social, and cultural activities to members in coordination with the university. A UWG retiree ID may be required for some of the benefits listed below and can be obtained at the UWG University Community Center Card Office.

- Annual Meeting and Reunion sponsored by University of West Georgia Foundation
 - Premier event held each fall and designed to give honor, respect, and recognition to retirees' long years of dedicated service to West Georgia and help them celebrate their new lives as retirees.
- Quarterly *Rejuvenator* Newsletter
- UWG Retiree Legacy Scholarship
 - Endowed scholarship to benefit deserving UWG students who are direct descendants or an immediate family relation of retired faculty or staff members, or are retirees of UWG.
- Free UWG campus parking permit
- Free UWG University Recreation membership
 - Includes access to indoor track, cardiovascular machines and weights in the fitness center, aerobics rooms, basketball courts, and a climbing wall.
- Free admission to UWG athletic events for retiree and guest
- Ingram Library usage
- 10% UWG Bookstore discount
- 2-for-1 discount for UWG Theatre Company Performance tickets