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UGA VITA IMPACT REPORT



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2024 Economic Impact

“These are incredibly valuable programs for Georgians, as well as our students”

UGA President, Jere W. Morehead

\$3,808,905

ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$823,600

FEES SAVED

2,059

FEDERAL RETURNS FILED

\$516,650

STATE REFUNDS

UGA VITA’s 2024 season was held in the Charles Schwab Financial Planning Center in the heart of UGA’s South Campus. This was the second year that VITA was held in this location, with more in person and virtual returns done than ever before! With the help from County Extension agents, students were able to expand VITA’s impact greatly beyond Athens! Thank you students and agents for all your hard work!

Who We Serve

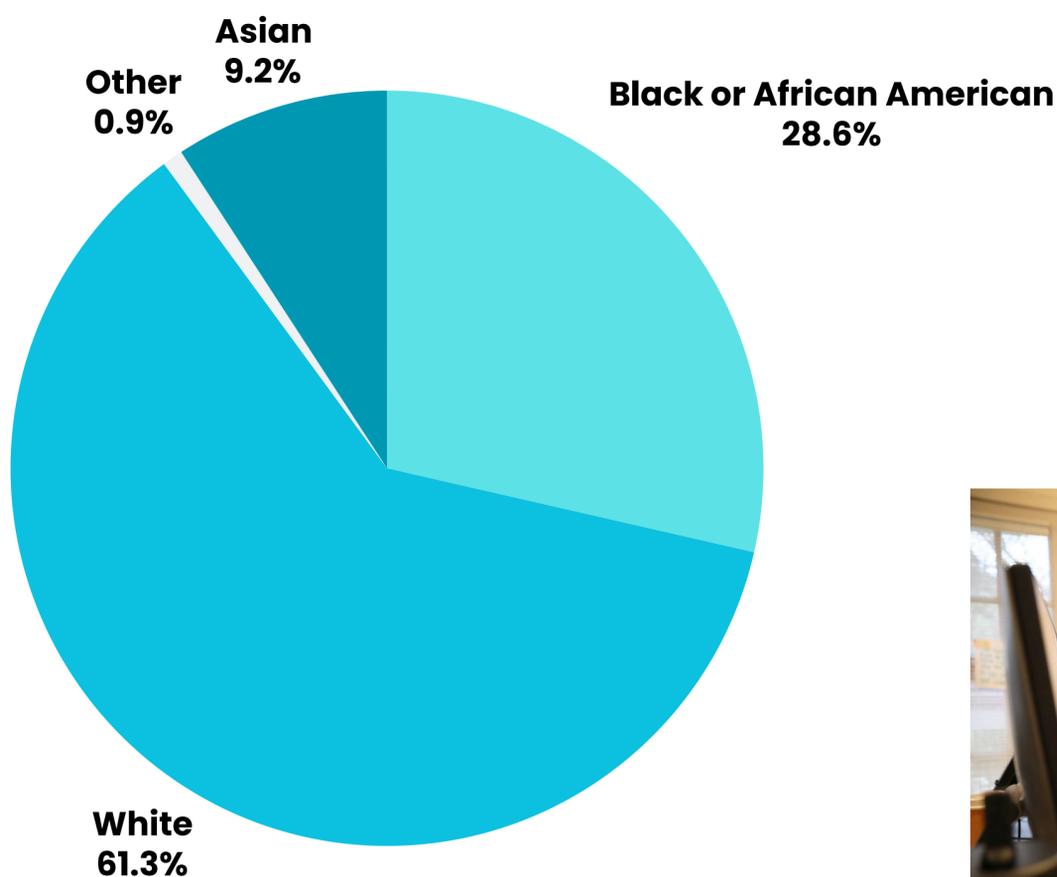
UGA VITA Reached

19 US States

205 Georgia Cities

7 Countries

In collaboration with Extension agents, VITA has had the opportunity to reach clients far beyond UGA's campus. In addition, VITA has opened up to UGA's international students and student athletes. This has allowed the students to engage with a wider variety of clients and their tax returns.



“This is a great service and I’ve been here multiple times. Not only is it a relief to have the service provided for free, the students provide a very personable experience. When I’ve gone to tax companies in the past I’m always left feeling as if they’re losing money by not processing me quickly, your students make sure I understand what’s going on and it’s a very nice feeling.” – **Satisfied VITA Client**

VITA Across Georgia

17 Extension agents
24 Volunteers
262 Georgia Zip Codes

979 Extension-led
tax returns

“Between the money clients save in tax preparation fees and the refunds they are able to claim, the economic impact of VITA measures in the tens of thousands of dollars, a significant impact in a small, rural community like ours.”

Susie Medina – Banks County Extension Agent

Agents and their volunteers

With the help from 24 additional volunteers in extension offices, UGA Extension Agents were able to do more returns than ever before. Several agents were able to prepare hundreds of returns in just one office! Thank you to our Extension Agents and volunteers for the hard work!



Our Team

Special thank you to our community volunteers: Andy Li, Kaushal Mahaseth, and Cade Burke

STAFF

Wil Golden
 Travis Mountain
 Judy Hibbs
 Tony Mallon
 Lance Palmer
 Gabriela Prat
 Joshua Brumbach
 JT Hammond
 Jenny Short

EXTENSION AGENTS

Agent	County
Mitzi Parker	Sumter
Georgeanne Cook	Tift
Rachel Stewart	Tattnall
Tracey Saxton	Spalding
Kelliann Howell	Oconee
Anna Grace Peebles	Dougherty
Ida Jackson	Wilkes
Carrie Vanderver	Ware
Christa Campbell	Elbert & Lincoln
Terri Black	Burke
Suzanne Williams	Colquitt
Liz Clark	Crisp
Diandria Barber	Clayton
Ani Powell	Morgan
Ashleigh Guerin	Candler & Evans
Susie Medina	Habersham & Banks
Brittany Harrison	Baldwin

STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

Adil Cheema	Edwin Shepherd	Lily Grace Evans
Alex Keiss	Eli Bearden	Luke Wooddall
Alondra Gonzalez Reynoso	Emily Finck	Macy Williams
Audrey Jordan	Emma Crabb	Maggie McElyea
Austin Ethridge	Ethan Lowman	Makaela Whitley
Ava Rosten	Garrett Futch	Matthew Helow
Avery Kennemore	Gerald Santana	Meghan Ferguson
Blake Messer	Gina Novoa	Mickey Maguire
Brennen Rodriguez	Gracie Himes	Nicholas Fattal
Brooke Green	Graysen Woodring	Noah Strande
Bryan Wain	Hunter Brown	Pace Mercer
Caden Griffis	Ian Benavides	Pete Fennell
Cam Garrett	Ian Oblen	Purval Patel
Cameron Fowler	Jacob Fragle	Riley Barron
Caroline Vansant	Jacob Hershberger	Rob Leach
Charles Swift	Jake Maneri	Scott Leslie
Chris Crowley	Jeffrey Dingle	Shivam Patel
Christian Smith	Joe Lyons	Sonika Chan
Cole Hendricks	John Sims	Thomas Burkhalter
Connor King	John Thompson	Tim Martin
Connor Reynolds	Johnhoo Lee	Tinsley Newton
Daniel Luu	Kaitlyn Eason	Tricia Norris
Dylan Stokes	Khirin Washington	Zarian James

STUDENT MANAGERS

Aniston Hanley
 Alec Reynolds
 Austin Burt
 Bennett Colbert
 Bryce Carman
 Caden Griffis
 Caleb Bar-Haim
 Christian Cantera
 Deniella Tenenbaum
 Fletcher Sheffield
 Gabriela Johnson
 Hunter Lawson
 Kiana Drummond
 Luke Collins
 Natalie Odom
 Noah Reyna
 Piper Carlson
 Stanley Mayfield
 Suyeon Oh



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