**New faculty exchange in Munich kicks off with a Call for Proposals for Spring 2020**

*We are delighted* to announce that the College is collaborating with Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (LMU) to offer a new exchange opportunity: the **UGA Franklin and LMU-Munich Faculty Research Exchange**. Tenured and tenure-track faculty may propose a one-week research exchange between now and **FRIDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2019**.

**ABOUT LMU**

Munich’s Ludwig-Maximilians-University (LMU) is one of the leading research universities in Europe. Founded in 1472, it is Germany’s sixth-oldest university and one of its most prestigious. In the 2020 Times Higher Education World University rankings, LMU ranks at the top of German universities included. Its World ranking here is 32, ahead of Brown, Wash U, Georgia Tech, King’s College London, Universities of Amsterdam, Leiden, Sidney and others. The university currently employs 700 professors and an academic staff of 4,000. It is divided into 18 faculties, which mirror the range of disciplines housed in the Franklin College. Faculties include Biology; Chemistry and Pharmacy; Mathematics, Computer Science and Statistics; Geosciences; Social Sciences; History and the Arts; Languages and Literatures; and Cultural Studies. LMU also boasts one of Europe’s largest medical complexes with 47 clinics, institutes and departments as well as 49 interdisciplinary centers.

LMU’s student population is approximately 50,000. International students, coming from 125 different countries, make up about 15% of the total student population. The university offers degree programs in close to 200 subjects. LMU is a founding member of the League of European Research Universities, a network formed by 23 leading European universities. It has been highly successful in Germany’s Exzellenz Initiative, a nationwide competition designed to boost cutting-edge research at German universities, and has a very strong international profile, including strategic research collaborations with universities in the U.S.

**ABOUT THIS FACULTY RESEARCH EXCHANGE**

Visit our website at [https://www.franklin.uga.edu/franklin-faculty-exchange-opportunities](https://www.franklin.uga.edu/franklin-faculty-exchange-opportunities) to find out more about this new initiative and to download a cover sheet that will guide you through what is needed to propose a Spring 2020 UGA-LMU faculty research exchange. Or simply contact Karen to ask for this, at: [kcoker@uga.edu](mailto:kcoker@uga.edu).

Find out more about LMU by visiting their website, at: [https://www.en.uni-muenchen.de/about_lmu/index.html](https://www.en.uni-muenchen.de/about_lmu/index.html)

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**Travel support available to faculty and doctoral students with papers proposed for the 2020 CES conference**

The Willson Center for Humanities and Arts and the Franklin College are offering travel support of up to $1,000 for faculty or doctoral students presenting papers at the Council for European Studies (CES) annual conference. This year’s conference, *Europe’s Past, Present, and Future: Utopias and Dystopias*, will be held in Reykjavik, Iceland, June 22-24, 2020. For information about the conference and the proposal of papers, visit the CES at: [https://councilforeuropeanstudies.org](https://councilforeuropeanstudies.org)

Once you submit your proposal to the CES, forward their acknowledgement to us, along with a scan of your paper proposal, by **Tuesday, October 15**. In November or December, after the CES has accepted your proposal, please send us that acceptance by email. Both emails should be sent to Karen at: [kcoker@uga.edu](mailto:kcoker@uga.edu). For questions, please contact Associate Dean Martin Kagel at: [mkagel@uga.edu](mailto:mkagel@uga.edu) or 542-2840.
Now in its sixth year, the UGA Franklin College-University of Liverpool Doctoral Student Short-Term International Research Fellowship program is currently accepting applications from doctoral students for a Spring 2020 one-week research fellowship. The deadline to apply is Friday, November 11th.

We hope that you will encourage your doctoral students to visit our website at https://www.franklin.uga.edu/franklin-college-university-liverpool-doctoral-student-research-fellowships to find out more about this initiative and to download a cover sheet that will guide an applicant through what is needed to apply for a Spring 2020 Franklin-Liverpool Fellowship. Or simply ask your doctoral students to contact Karen to ask for this, at: kcoker@uga.edu.

**REPORTED BY RECENT FELLOWS**

“Not only was I able to advance my doctoral research . . . but I was also made aware of the importance of my studies in a larger academic context. . . . I was also able to develop my professional skills by delivering talks to different audiences, and I was also able to foster a partnership between the University of Georgia and the University of Liverpool in a meaningful and relevant way for both.”

—JULIANO SACCOMANI

Department of Romance Languages, 2019 Franklin-Liverpool Fellow

“The week-long Fellowship yielded what I think are two significant opportunities for future collaboration as well as a number of other direct and indirect benefits. I had a seminar reviewing my research to some of the computer science and robot ethics faculty and postdocs at Liverpool that was well-attended and received, especially by those in the autonomous systems group. Their collective response helped somewhat vindicate the main thrust of my research on “rightful machines,” and my approach to moral conflicts, deontic logic, and answer-set programming such machines. I did not find any opposition to the key idea that machine “ethics” needs to pay more heed to the distinction between law and ethics and the priority of right. The only genuine question is how to do it. Future collaboration will thus consist mainly in answering this question.

———AVA THOMAS WRIGHT

Department of Philosophy and Institute for Artificial Intelligence, 2019 Franklin-Liverpool Fellow

“While the Franklin-Liverpool Research Fellowship was brief, I found my experience to be incredibly valuable, far surpassing my original expectations. Dr. Darby was an excellent host—he gave me a tour of the core facilities, arranged for me to give both a lab meeting and a public seminar, scheduled multiple appointments with faculty on my behalf, as well as invited me to attend an internal departmental conference on adaptation to environmental change. . . . As I am currently in the midst of the final set of experiments I need before I can complete my dissertation, the feedback I received while at the University of Liverpool was incredibly timely. Last week after I arrived home, I was able to immediately begin altering my experimental designs to reflect the feedback given by Dr. Darby and other colleagues.”

—KARA TINKER

Department of Microbiology, 2017 Franklin-Liverpool Fellow
International Visiting Professor initiative offers opportunities for students and faculty, as well as for a scholar who is nominated by your department and sponsored by the College

Here is a chance for you and your department to nominate an international scholar to teach a Fall semester course that brings a global perspective and delivers a curriculum drawn on the most current work in the discipline.

The Franklin College is currently accepting nominations for a Fall 2020 Franklin International Visiting Professor. If your nominee is selected, Franklin College will: pay the salary; handle the J-1 visa sponsorship, faculty appointment and employment processes; and provide accommodation and round-trip travel for the scholar.

Consider this opportunity as a way to broaden your course offerings by collaborating with another academic unit to develop a special topics class that is listed across disciplines and is suitable for both undergraduate and graduate students.

Nomination information is noted here below. If you have questions about this Fall 2020 initiative, send your queries to Associate Dean Martin Kagel at: mkagel@uga.edu. Look for our CALL for NOMINATIONS & COVER SHEET at: https://www.franklin.uga.edu/fcas-international-visiting-professor or ask for it by emailing Karen at: kcoker@uga.edu

FRANKLIN INTERNATIONAL VISITING PROFESSOR

NOMINATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY 6 MARCH 2020

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