

In the Spotlight

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Fagan named to inaugural class of Women's Leadership Fellows

Susan C. Fagan, assistant dean of the College of Pharmacy's Augusta campus and Distinguished Research Professor, is among nine University of Georgia faculty members who will hone their leadership skills and gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities confronting research universities as members of the inaugural class of the university's Women's Leadership Fellows Program.

Her research focuses on therapeutic strategies for the treatment of stroke. Fagan's contributions to her field have been recognized by her appointment as faculty member to national clinical research training programs and grant review panels at the National Institutes of Neurologic Disorders and Stroke and the American College of Clinical Pharmacy Research Institute.

The cohort includes representatives from seven UGA schools and colleges as well as the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. As Women's Leadership Fellows, the faculty members will attend a monthly meeting where they will learn from senior administrators on campus as well as visiting speakers from academia, business and other fields. The program also will feature a concluding weekend retreat in June for more in-depth learning.

"The inaugural class of Women's Leadership Fellows have already accomplished so much in their careers, and they are poised to make an even greater impact on the University of Georgia," said Pamela Whitten, senior vice president for academic affairs and provost.

"The university is pleased to welcome the members of the inaugural class of Women's Leadership Fellows," said President Jere W. Morehead. "This program is an important way to cultivate talent throughout UGA's colleges and departments located across the state. It will offer valuable professional development and networking opportunities to the participants while strengthening the leadership capacity of the institution."

The Women's Leadership Fellows were chosen from nominations from deans and other senior administrators as well as from self-nominations. The program is administered by the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and coordinated by Meg Amstutz, associate provost for academic programs.

The Women's Leadership Fellows Program is a part of the Women's Leadership Initiative, which was launched in spring 2015 by Morehead and Whitten. In addition to creating new opportunities for leadership development, the initiative is addressing recruitment, retention and hiring as well as work-life balance. To learn more about the Women's Leadership Initiative, see <http://provost.uga.edu/index.php/news/news-features/womens-leadership-initiative>.

