AGSC and SLS Seek a GRA for the
“UN SDGs at the Global-Local Nexus” project – Fall 2019

The Atlanta Global Studies Center (AGSC) and Serve-Learn-Sustain (SLS) seek to hire a graduate student to work during Fall 2019 as a Graduate Research Assistant (GRA). The position is for one semester only, but a student hired in the fall may be considered for continuation during the Spring 2020 semester.

Responsibilities:
Under the supervision of AGSC Associate Director Dr. Sebnem Ozkan, the GRA will conduct research and support efforts to develop a funding proposal related to Global Studies, the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). The proposal will focus on collecting and telling stories about local-global connections, particularly around sustainability initiatives in Atlanta’s global communities, with a possible focus on Clarkston. The position emphasizes identifying opportunities for partnerships, collaboration, and interaction that can lead to external funding from public and private sources that will benefit GT students and community partners. This involves collaborating on and supporting the acquisition of grants, including inventorying opportunities, coordinating efforts, developing project proposals, and constructing a budget.

These efforts will support AGSC and SLS involvement in the RCE Greater Atlanta Higher Education Work Group. RCE Greater Atlanta is a regional sustainability network acknowledged by the United Nations University on December 18, 2017 as a Regional Centre of Expertise (RCE) on Education for Sustainable Development – one of 168 in the world and seven in the U.S. The network aims to advance Education for Sustainable Development across the region, through collaborations among over ten higher education institutions and community, nonprofit, government, and business partners. The GRA will be expected to attend/participate in the Higher Education Work Group, which meets periodically at different locations across the Atlanta region.

Qualifications:
• Social science or humanities background
• Experience with qualitative methods
• Strong research and written communication skills
• Experience working in sustainability or global/international affairs (action and/or research)
• Interest in sustainability and excitement about RCE Greater Atlanta and multi-stakeholder collaboration as a key approach to sustainable development

Hours and Compensation:
• 13-15 hrs./wk. during Fall 2019 semester (x 4.5 months in Fall)
• $978-$1,270/month (Master’s student based on education and experience); $1483/month (Doctoral student)
• Eligible GRAs may request a tuition waiver from their home unit. TUITION WAIVERS ARE NOT GUARANTEED FOR THIS POSITION AND ARE DEPENDENT UPON AVAILABILITY. GRA will be responsible for inquiring about and coordinating a tuition waiver with their home unit, but AGSC will provide any necessary information needed to assist in processing the waiver.

How to Apply:
Please submit a brief email of interest, names and contact information of two references (one should be your adviser unless you are an incoming student), and your CV or resume to Sebnem Ozkan, AGSC Associate Director, at sebnem.ozkan@gatech.edu. We will review applications on a rolling basis and aim to have a GRA hired by end of August.
Atlanta Global Studies Center (AGSC) is a partnership of Georgia Tech and Georgia State University, funded by a Title VI grant from the U.S. Department of Education. Its mission is to enhance access to advanced language learning and deepen knowledge of global and intercultural issues for the benefit of Atlanta region students, faculty and the public. Learn More: AGSC website: https://agsc.iac.gatech.edu/

Serve-Learn-Sustain (SLS) engages all six colleges and units across campus to develop opportunities for students to engage in curricular and experiential learning opportunities focused on the theme, “creating sustainable communities.” More broadly, SLS works to make sustainable communities work a key focus at Tech, bringing together research, teaching, and practice. Learn More: Serve-Learn-Sustain website: http://serve-learn-sustain.gatech.edu/