



Stacy Jones, Ed.D.

Dr. Jones has served as the director of the UGA Center for Continuing Education and Hotel since September 1, 2020 and as interim director from January - August 2020. Prior to this position she served as the associate director for governmental training, education, and development at the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government since 2012. As the director of the Center for Continuing Education & Hotel, she leads the staff at the Georgia Center to foster professional and personal growth for individuals through educational programs and partnerships and to create an engaging and inclusive environment that supports intellectual exchange in service to the State of Georgia.

Dr. Jones received a Bachelor's of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences from the University of Georgia where she majored in Consumer Journalism. She completed her Master's in Public Administration at Troy State University with a focus on public personnel management and completed her doctorate at the University of Georgia in higher education administration.

Dr. Jones began her career as a public affairs and tourism manager for the City of Conyers, Georgia during the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games and was part of the first Convention and Visitors Bureau for the community. Dr. Jones has instructed local elected officials and government administrators in community and media relations and leadership development since 2001 through the statewide training programs for the Institute of Government. The Georgia Association of County Commissioners recognized her work in 2014 naming her the Leadership Advocate of the Year. She has also served on the statewide Georgia Municipal Training Board from 2012 -2020 as a board member.

Dr. Jones has also served as the Executive Director of the City of Monroe Downtown Development Authority and helped to create the city's first Convention and Visitors Bureau. She also served as the Chief Development Officer for Walton Regional Medical Center and Clearview Regional Medical Center in Georgia where she led communications, marketing, business development, and physician recruitment.

Dr. Jones experience with Cooperative Extension goes back to her roots as a Rockdale County 4-Her where she earned Master 4-H status, served as a Rock Eagle and Tybee camp counselor, worked as a Clarke County 4-H Program assistant, and assisted the state 4-H Office as a student assistant in the state cotton boll and livestock judging projects when she was a university student. She has continued her involvement as a volunteer leader for Georgia 4-H.

Dr. Jones has remained active with the University of Georgia serving as a past Family and Consumer Sciences College's Alumni Association President, Chair of the Georgia 4-H Advisory Council, co-chair of the inaugural 4-H Gala committee, and was a recipient of the UGA Blue Key Young Alumnus award and the College of Family and Consumer Sciences Pacesetter award.