

The Arch Ready Mobile Application

This mobile application is designed for undergraduate students at the University of Georgia who are seeking to further their professional resume by obtaining the *Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate*.

The Arch Ready mobile application allows students to easily navigate their way through the process of obtaining the Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate. The application includes a complete schedule of mandatory events, a built in progress tracker, event waitlists, interactive thresholds for completing post-presentation assessments, information sharing functions, and any relevant news or announcements. Additionally, once a student has attended five or more presentations, they will be granted access to fill out the final Arch Ready survey. Upon completion of the survey, they will receive a notification providing detailed instructions on where and when to pick up their Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate and lapel pin.

The main problem that this mobile application solves is the ability to combine multiple tasks students are presented with during the process of obtaining the Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate. The first task being the fact that the previous method used to track students progress was merely a paper process. Students would physically print and fill out a sheet of paper that noted the events they attended as they took place throughout the semester, leaving them with the burden of having to ensure that they never lost this one specific sheet. The application will also have an attendance snapshot function,

serving as additional proof of attendance. The second task students must complete is the requirement of providing feedback. Students had to repeatedly check their email to see if a presenter sent a link to fill out any assessments or surveys. While it is not hard to check one's email, sometimes technology fails where a student does not receive the link or it gets lost in their email, etc. This hurts the student as well as the presenter wishing to obtain helpful feedback. The third task includes going to the UGA Career Center's website and searching for the Final Arch Ready survey link. The convenience of immediate access to this survey on one's mobile phone without having to open a web browser and find the link on another website is extremely beneficial for students. Finally, being able to be quickly provided with instructions on the time and location of where to pick up the Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate and lapel pin without ever exiting the app, is a satisfying final step for students once completing such an enriching program.

“By digitally encapsulating every single step required of students in obtaining the Professionalism Certificate, the Arch Ready mobile application allows the process to be superbly simple, organized and efficient.” -Madison McColl,
Arch Ready Mobile Application Spokesperson

To get started, one merely has to download the Arch Ready application onto their mobile phone. Upon doing this, one can sift around the app, looking at events and their descriptions, and begin the journey towards completing this program.

“The Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate provided me with additional skills that ultimately enabled me to start my career after graduating from UGA. The mobile app made the process of earning the certificate to be so simple that there is no excuse for students to not take advantage of this incredible program.”

- UGA Graduate Jane Doe

Now, it's time for you to head over to <http://career.uga.edu/archready> and begin your journey in obtaining the Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate.

FAQ's - Arch Ready App

Arch Ready Professionalism Certificate

UGA Career Center Website: <http://career.uga.edu/archready>

Questions seen from the UGA Career Center Website:

Can I substitute events outside of the Arch Ready umbrella as an event for the certificate?

The app will work with Arch Ready events, however, there will be links to the UGA Career Center and points of contact on the app if there are any different things needed to be marked on your profile for the certificate journey.

How can I track how many programs that one has completed?

On the app, it is so far planned that there will be a handy check box to mark off your attendance over time. That data will be saved over time to make sure you are on track for completing the certificate.

Where can I contact the Arch Ready certificate program?

<http://career.uga.edu/archready> is the website, however, there will be various links that can give one further accessibility to the career center.

General FAQ's for the Arch Ready App:

Why should I be getting the arch ready certificate app?

The arch ready professionalism app will be a more easy and accessible way for students to track their progress and activity in order to overall obtain the app. There will be ways to attendance, by using Handshake, ways to track one's progress, and there will be a link to fill out the survey in order to actually obtain the certificate.

Can I get started working on the certificate right by downloading the app?

Yes. Additionally, there will be links to the UGA Career Center website to help you get easily set up as well.

What should I expect from the ArchReady app?

You should expect an events page, giving the user the up-to-date activity on events the UGA Career Center will be hosting, as well as a calendar of events to attend to accompany that. Notifications will be relevant to this as well. As mentioned prior, there will proper tracking, to track a student's progress in the certificate program. The program is used in conjunction with Handshake, so expect that connection on the app as well. Expect links to other resources to help your career journey as well.

How would this app help my experience out in the certificate journey?

This app will help streamline attendance on students, in order to reduce long lines of checking into events to mark attendance. This will additionally help out students who are not even in the certificate program, as they can check in via the app as well for external course credit. The app is created in hopes to increase accessibility and interest for such a growing program. Using the app, it can be a streamlined, centralized hub to complete the certificate.

How easy will it be to get the app?

The app can be obtained via a link from the UGA Career Center website. Since it is an app, it will be smartphone and iOS friendly as well.

What type of app will it be?

It will be an app friendly to iOS devices. Link to download app can be found on the UGA Career Center website.

Will it be capable to adapt to iOS and Android?

It will be iOS friendly, for now. The app will also continue to evolve to be friendly across other platforms, such as Android, over time.

How will this ensure proper tracking of event attendance?

The checklist and calendar that is checked off on the phone will be saved data, so one can refer back to it over time.

Will the app provide notifications, and would these events listed on the app sync with my personal calendar?

The app will provide notifications with a calendar function within the app. Calendar sync may be a capability.

Will I need my UGA ID for the event? Or can I check in with the app?

Nope! Just the proper check in system used via app is what you need. If the technology doesn't work, just make sure you know your information for the meeting!

If I need to attend an Arch Ready Event for another class credit, can I use the app to mark my attendance or not?

Yes, you can still use the app to check in. The data will not go directly to the external instructor telling you to go though, but using the app can hopefully be used as proof to the instructor that you attended. There will be a share feature on the app as well, so the student can share their attendance to their instructor as well.

What will the app do to help propel the program forward?

The app will help increase accessibility to students for the program. By having it as just app, there will not be a system through the general UGA Career Center website, but going forward, all that the student needs to do to complete the certificate besides attending the events, is using the app. It cuts off much of the fuss.

What benefits will arch ready have with this new app being developed?

The UGA Career Center will have more ease on their end in addition to having more ease on the student participating in their events. Hopefully, with the app release, there will be more ease, growth, and popularity with an already growing student base getting the certificate.

Will there be other UGA Career Center tools incorporated into the Arch Ready app?

Services such as Handshake will be incorporated into the app, as that is a system the UGA Career Center actively uses for event registration and tracking. Common UGA Career Center links seen on their website will be also included in the app.

When I am almost done with the certificate, what will do next on the app to signal that I am done?

There will be prompted notifications about the number of events you've attended, and once you have reached the amount needed for the certificate, there will be a notification that will prompt you to complete the survey for certificate completion.