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Project Safe Flight Georgia (PSFG) Internship with Georgia Audubon

Birds are vital to our everyday lives. They pollinate, they disperse seeds, they devour pests, and they bring us great joy and inspiration. However, birds are in trouble. While they face many pressures, one that is present on Kennesaw State University's campus is that of collisions with structures. Between 365 million and 1 billion birds are estimated to perish each year from colliding with buildings in the United States, the 3rd leading cause of avian death. Bright lights at night, shiny glass exteriors, and transparent facades can be deadly as birds struggle determining what is and isn't a clear pathway during flight.

Georgia Audubon and the Guindre-Parker lab are searching for student volunteers for PSFG to help 1) study the issue of bird-building collisions on Kennesaw State's campus, 2) collect collision data by monitoring select building exteriors and collect specimens, 3) assist in data management, reporting, and specimen cataloging and 4) investigate opportunities to reduce collisions on campus. The goal of this project is to determine what species and how many birds are affected on our campus and across Georgia, what parts of campus are problematic, and what can be done to make Kennesaw State University, and our state, more bird safe.

If you are interested in volunteering or learning more, please contact Dr. Sarah Guindre-Parker at sguindre@kennesaw.edu.

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