



Welcome, Dr. Kogan!

Dr. Steven Kogan, Athletic Association Professor of Human Development, is officially a member of the Georgia Center for Developmental Science! He is the Associate Director & Director of Translational Science at GCDS.



240 Family Visits Complete

236 BIRC Visits Complete

5 September Recruitments

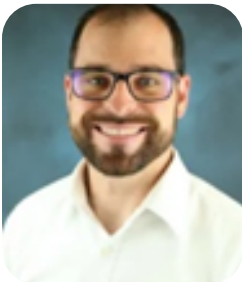
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Participants Recruited



## Current Research at GCDS

### Publications:



Congratulations, Cullin Howard!

- GCDS research was featured in the UGA Today on Sept 17, 2025. This study was led by doctoral candidate Cullin Howard and was published in the *Adolescent Research Review*.

<https://news.uga.edu/role-of-parents-in-social-anxiety/>

- TV interview conducted on FOX 5 Atlanta with Cullin Howard :

<https://www.fox5atlanta.com/video/1716211>

### Science Spot

Graduate students and staff lead weekly meetings to discuss selected scientific articles. The discussions held in September were as follows:

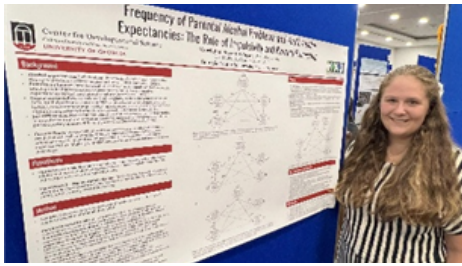
- Brooklyn Crabtree- The contextual brain: implications for fear conditioning, extinction and psychopathology
- Rabeh Azarmehr - Articles on adolescent suicide risk
- Morrighan Wingate- Parental alcohol problems and youth alcohol expectancies

### GCDS Grants

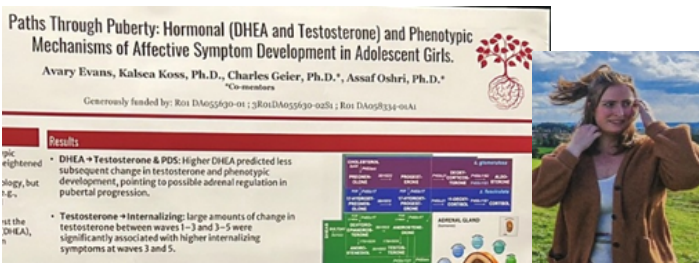
- Building Resilience and Nurturing Children's Health (NIH) : \$3.26M
- Adolescent Brain and Cognitive Development (NIH): \$3.34 M
- Mental Research Institute: \$25,000
- 2 Grants submitted for competitive review

# Flux Conference 2025 in Dublin 4-6 Sept 2025

# URA Spotlight



Graduate student **Morrighan Wingate** presented “Frequency of Parental Alcohol Problems and Youth Alcohol Expectancies: The Role of Impulsivity and Reward Processing”



Graduate student **Avary Evans** presented “Paths Through Puberty: Hormonal (DHEA and Testosterone) and Phenotypic Mechanisms of Affective Symptom Development in Adolescent Girls”

Our 2025 URAs have been busy with research in their teams and learning with the BRANCH study

21 CURO URAs

53 credit hours in Fall 2025

Some highlights:

- Helping with drop-off Family Visits
- URAs are selecting their research topics
- Research discussions with GRA mentors

## URAs of the Month Congratulations Addison & Anna!



**Addison Wint** is a Human Development and Family Science major and a FACE team member at GCDS. She has been instrumental in connecting with potential participant families and shows exceptional initiative.



**Anna Hollo** is a Biomedical Physiology major and is a member of the Data Management team at GCDS. She has been a great addition to the team with her care for data and ability to contribute.

## Family and Community Engagement Ongoing Recruitment efforts



The FACE team is continuing participant recruitment for the BRANCH study and distributed flyers in rural business locations as part of its outreach efforts.

## News for the Center

NSF Grant submitted !

The center is organizing and consolidating Wave 1 and Wave 2 BRANCH data for easy access

GCDS members are busy collecting Pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House! The collection will be used to help families of sick kids.