

Instructors in the Franklin College and throughout UGA are now required to post syllabi and CVs well in advance of the semester they apply to. Leaving aside the question of the reasonableness and usefulness of this mandate, the online interface instituted by UGA for instructors to upload these materials is needlessly time consuming and irritating to use. Indeed, the structure of interface suggests that it was built with little to no consideration for the experience of the user. For teaching faculty, who may need to upload materials for four courses or more, it imposes a significant disruption of at least one work day.

If this is a serious requirement then it should be implemented in a serious way. The Franklin Faculty Senate requests that the upload page be redesigned in collaboration with its eventual users: we suggest a small committee including representatives across all Colleges and all levels of teaching loads. We believe that the task could be done with just a few hours of work, a significant savings over the current burden measured in person-hours.