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GEORGIA WILDLIFE FEDERATION HIRES CALVIN ELLIS AS NEW CAMPUS R3 COORDINATOR FOR UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Covington, GA – Georgia Wildlife Federation’s (GWF) College Learn-to-Hunt Program has been a resounding success after the first semester of having student interns on board. The work of Campus R3 Coordinators at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (Parker Gerdes) and University of Georgia (Seth Cook) resulted in:



- Over 90 students reached through [hunting](#) and [shooting](#) R3 programs. Many have reported hunting or shooting again, purchasing equipment, and they have likely created a ripple effect by putting testimonials on [social media](#).
- Approximately 80 participants of [Leadership Georgia](#) receiving shooting training.
- National media attention including University of Georgia being ranked as the number one college for hunters and anglers by [Field & Stream](#).
- Student evaluation data contributed to Dr. Lincoln Larson’s *National College Students and R3* project.

Thanks to continued support from the [National Shooting Sports Foundation](#) (NSSF), GWF hired Calvin Ellis to take over for Seth as the University of Georgia Campus R3 Coordinator. Calvin is currently working on his bachelor’s degree in Wildlife Sciences at the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources. He is a Warnell Student Ambassador and is actively involved with the student chapters of The Wildlife Society, National Wild Turkey Federation, and Ducks Unlimited. As the Campus R3 Coordinator, he will create hunting and shooting sports programs for students who have never had the opportunity to participate.



The Georgia R3 Initiative is a cooperative effort between [Georgia Wildlife Federation](#), [Georgia Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Resources Division](#), [National Wild Turkey Federation](#), [Quality Deer Management Association](#), and [Safari Club International](#).



Georgia R3 Initiative: <http://www.gwf.org/r3/>

Press Release Link: <http://www.gwf.org/r3ugaellis/>

NSSF: <https://www.letsgehunting.org>

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About Georgia Wildlife Federation

Georgia Wildlife Federation was founded as a sportsman’s organization in 1936 and is Georgia’s oldest conservation organization. Today, members include hunters, anglers, bird watchers, hikers, educators, and all Georgians who are interested in preserving our natural resources and outdoor heritage.