

**Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Society of Parasitologists
Auburn, AL**

April 10-12, 2025

**Hosted by the Southeastern Cooperative Fish Parasite and Disease
Laboratory, School of Fisheries, Aquaculture & Aquatic Sciences, and
College of Agriculture at Auburn University**

The Southeastern Cooperative Fish Parasite and Disease Laboratory, School of Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Aquatic Sciences, and the College of Agriculture at Auburn University cordially invites members of the Southeastern Society of Parasitologists (SSP), and their guests, to the 2025 annual meeting hosted at the Center for Advanced Science, Innovation, and Commerce (CASIC) in Auburn, AL. Auburn University, founded in 1856, is a federal land-grant university located in a small town that boasts a vibrant downtown with many cultural, outdoor, and recreational activities to explore in the area.



REGISTRATION: Registration is \$50 for non-student members and free for student members. Annual dues are also collected during registration and are \$10 for regular members and \$5 for students. Payments should be made through our online payment portal prior to March 15th. After that time, a \$10 late registration fee will be applied to all registrations received after March 15th. Your registration fee

includes the food and beverages offered at the meeting. If you pre-register but cannot attend the meeting you will be refunded your entire registration fee if we receive notice two weeks prior to the meeting. Late registration will be possible at the meeting site. The meeting will begin on Thursday (4/10) evening with a social event at The Collegiate Hotel Rooftop with opening remarks from Dr. Liz Gleim, President of SSP. All meeting events on Friday (4/11) and Saturday (4/12) will occur at the Center for Advanced Science, Innovation, and Commerce (CASIC).

ACCOMMODATIONS: Rooms (single King; double Queen rooms available) have been reserved at the TownePlace Suites Auburn. The hotel is within a short drive or walk to the meeting venue.

TownePlace Suites Auburn is located at 1117 South College St, Auburn, AL, 36832. Rooms include a microwave, mini-frig, and coffee maker. Several king rooms are ADA compliant.

Please click [here](#) to make your reservations at TownePlace Suites Auburn online. You may also call the hotel directly at (TownePlace Suites Auburn – 334-466-8390) and say that you're with the Southeastern Society of Parasitologists. Our room rate is \$149 / night. **Following the cut-off date which is "March 11, 2025"** the hotel will release all un-booked rooms for other guests, so it is important that you make your reservations before then. Over-flow rooms at the Holiday Inn Express are also available if needed.



FOOD: The Thursday night social will include hors d'oeuvres and complimentary drink tickets. Should people wish to get dinner afterwards, there are a variety of dining options in downtown Auburn. Breakfast and Lunch will be provided on Friday and Saturday. All attendees will be on their own for dinner Friday night.

SPECIAL EVENTS: On Thursday night during registration, we'll have the Welcome Reception at **The Collegiate Hotel Rooftop** which will include hors d'oeuvres and complimentary drink tickets. Come and enjoy a relaxing evening of meeting new folks and catching up with old friends. The Collegiate Hotel is located at 205 S Gay St, Auburn, AL, 36830. Parking is available along the street (S College St) and in the back of the hotel.



The meeting will begin on Friday (April 11th) with meeting presentations and a poster session. Saturday (April 12th) will be more presentations and conclude in the afternoon with the combined luncheon, business meeting, and presentation of the Byrd-Dunn and Ciordia-Stewart-Porter student presentation awards.

CONFERENCE FACILITIES & PARKING (4/11 AND 4/12):

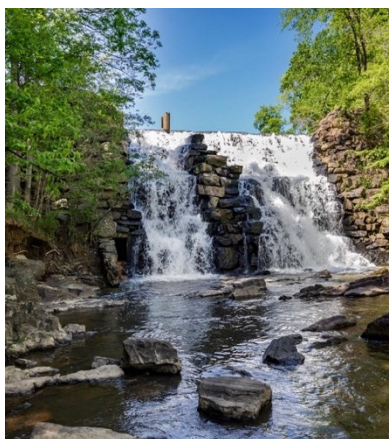


All conference events (including meals) will be held in rm 109 within the Center for Advanced Science, Innovation, and Commerce (CASIC) which is at the Auburn University Research Park, 559 Devall Dr, Auburn, AL. There is plenty of parking available (including handicapped spots) directly in front of the building (#1 on detailed map below) as well as in the lots across the street (#2, 3 on detailed map below).

TRAVEL: Auburn, AL is in eastern Alabama and easily accessed from I-85, exit 51. The closest airport is Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport which is about 1 hr and 30 minutes away.

RECREATIONAL/LEISURE ACTIVITIES:

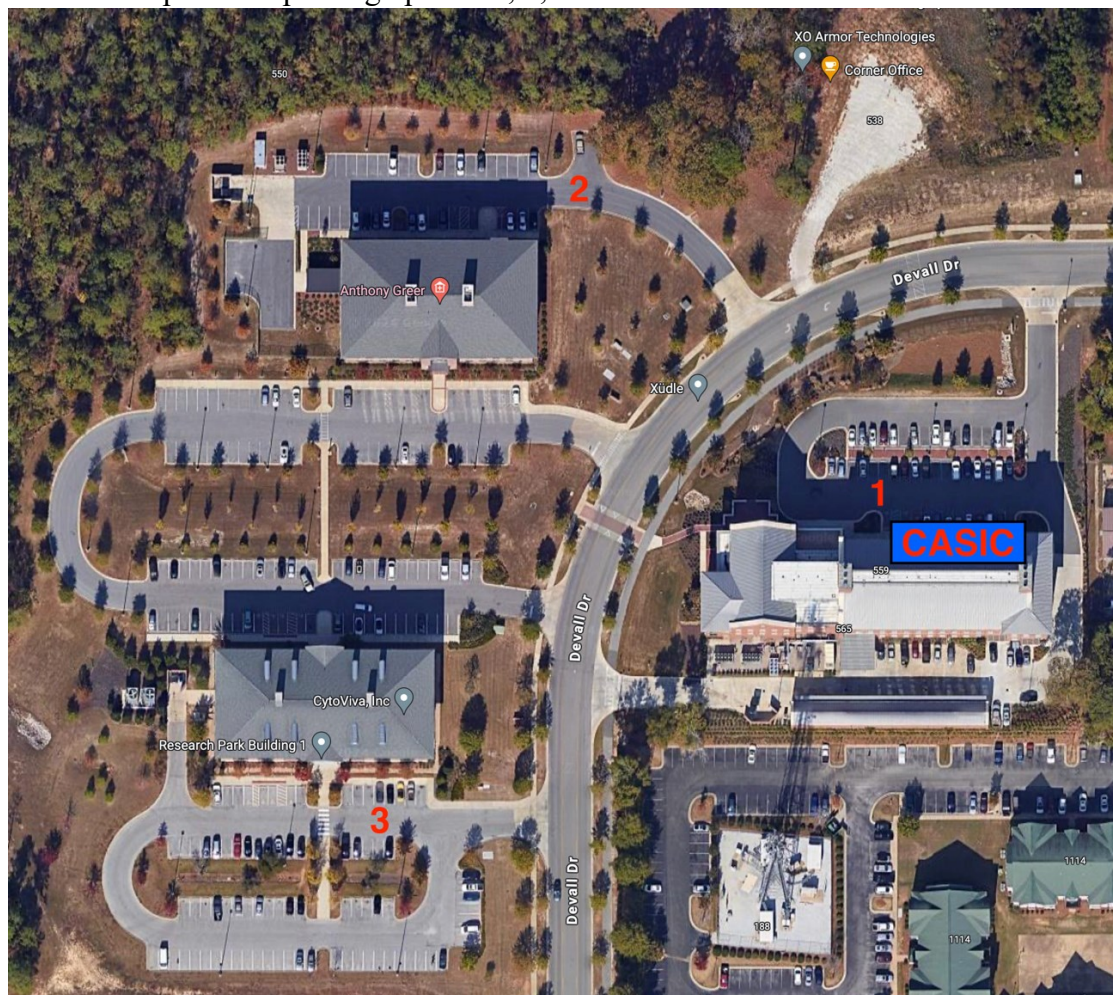
There's so much to do in and around Auburn. A few highlights include visiting the city's vibrant downtown, Auburn University's Raptor Center, exploring the trails and waterfalls at Chewacla State Park, or grabbing a drink at one of the breweries in Auburn and Opelika, AL. Auburn University also supports the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art for those looking to explore Auburn's rich culture. For more ideas, including specific hikes, restaurants, breweries, and more, check-out the Auburn-Opelika visitor's guide [here](#).



ACTIONS REQUIRED:

1. **Reserve accommodations at the TownePlace Suites Auburn before March 11, 2025.**
Use this booking [link](#) or call the hotel directly at 334-466-8390 and say you're with the Southeastern Society of Parasitologists.
2. **Submit your abstract here no later than March 15, 2025.**
3. **Complete the meeting registration here by March 15, 2025 to receive the “early bird” rate.**
You may register after this but will just pay a higher rate.
4. **Questions regarding local arrangements can be directed to Dr. Brett Warren:**
brett.warren@auburn.edu.
5. **Questions regarding receipt of abstracts should be sent to Dr. Charles Faulkner:**
charles.faulkner@lmunet.edu.
6. **Questions about the scientific program should be directed to Dr. Ash Bullard:**
sab0019@auburn.edu.

Detailed map of area parking options 1, 2, 3:



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