

New Student Resource Guide

2023-2024



New Student and
Transition Programs



I'M A RAMBLIN' WRECK FROM GEORGIA TECH



The Ramblin' Wreck is Georgia Tech's one-of-a-kind mechanical mascot—a 1930 Ford Model A sport coupe that truly embodies the spirit and character of both the Institute and the student body. Proudly bearing the school colors of Old Gold and White, this illustrious automobile has led the football team onto the field for every home game since it was introduced against Rice on September 30, 1961.

"The Ramblin' Wreck" Lyrics

I'm a Ramblin' Wreck from Georgia Tech and a hell of an engineer

A helluva', helluva helluva helluva helluva engineer

Like all the jolly good fellows I drink my whiskey clear

I'm a Ramblin' Wreck from Georgia Tech and a hell of an engineer

Oh, if I had a daughter sir, I'd dress her in white and gold

And put her on the campus, sir, to cheer on the brave and bold

And if I had a son, sir, I'd tell you what he'd do

He would yell "To Hell With georgia" like his daddy used to do

Oh, I wish I had a barrel of rum and sugar three thousand pounds

A college bell to put it in and a clapper to stir it around

I'd drink to all the good fellows who come from far and near

I'm a ramblin' gamblin' hell of an engineer! Hey!



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Letter from President Cabrera

Welcome, new Yellow Jackets!

Whether you're a first-year, transfer, or exchange student, we are so glad you chose Georgia Tech for your college education. The fact you were accepted is a testimony to what you have already accomplished. Now, we want to help you reach your full potential.

FASET provides you with an overview of Georgia Tech and the opportunities you'll have as a student. The earlier you explore them, the better prepared you'll be to take advantage of all Georgia Tech has to offer. We have almost 550 student organizations, incredible academic programs, co-op and internships, and opportunities to study all over the world. You can participate in programs to gain entrepreneurial confidence and maybe even create a startup. We offer resources to help you succeed academically, as well as support for your physical and mental well-being.

You've joined us at an exciting time. Over the next decade, Georgia Tech will be an example of inclusive and impactful innovation—a leading research university relentlessly committed to serving the public good, breaking new ground in addressing the biggest local, national and global challenges of our time, and developing exceptional leaders from all backgrounds. We are committed to your success—in your educational experience, and for your future.

Again, welcome to Georgia Tech. We're glad you're here.

Ángel Cabrera

President



FASET Cabinet



NEW STUDENT & TRANSITION PROGRAMS

Congratulations on your decision to join the Yellow Jacket community. Georgia Tech is a nationally ranked, academically challenging, and socially diverse institution where exciting possibilities and opportunities await! New Student & Transition Programs (NSTP) supports new and continuing student success at Georgia Tech through programs that focus on fostering the transition and engagement of students in the campus community. This publication introduces you to resources across campus that are especially helpful for you as a new student! Please read it thoroughly so you can plan and prepare for your arrival to campus. These programs, along with our committed professional and student staff, will help you get to know and love Tech. Our office is located on the first floor of the Smithgall Student Services Building in Suite 141. Feel free to reach out anytime you have questions. We will help link you to the appropriate resources on campus.

FASET

Your orientation program, Familiarization and Adaptation to the Surroundings and Environs of Tech (FASET), is planned by a committed group of students and staff members. During your FASET session, you'll meet students, faculty, and administrators who can help you become better acquainted with campus. You'll learn about Tech's rich history and traditions, and you'll also meet your academic advisor and register for classes. FASET is designed to prepare you, your family, and guests for the Georgia Tech experience. Key to FASET preparation is the FASET Orientation Cabinet, which is an executive board of 10 students. These students have worked hard to plan many aspects of your program. A team of FASET Orientation Leaders will assist you in your transition, including helping you register for courses. We are here to make your FASET experience informative and fun, and we all look forward to meeting you!

Wreck Camp

Now that you have decided to come to Tech, it's time to be part of the Wreck Camp tradition! Join us for this opportunity to bond with your new Georgia Tech family before you ever arrive on campus. Wreck Camp is an extended orientation experience that brings together new and current students to jumpstart their college experience in a fun summer-camp setting. Wreck Camp programs are designed to aid students in their transition to Georgia Tech by developing a diverse social network and strengthening their ties to the Institute through a combination of fun activities. Students leave all camp programs prepared to be an engaged member of our campus community.

Wreck Camp **ATL** is on campus, and **ODYSSEY** is off-campus at Camp Rock Eagle.



Wreck Camp Directors



Wreck Camp 2023

ATL (June 23-25) at **Georgia Tech Campus**

ODYSSEY (August 9-12) at **Rock Eagle Camp**
in **Eatonton, Georgia**

Why should I come to Wreck Camp?

Wreck Camp is all about Community-Building, Traditions, and Transitions. Coming to camp gives you the opportunity to meet other new students in a fun camp environment, while also learning about Georgia Tech's rich history of traditions. During your time at Wreck Camp, you will be in small groups led by two upper-class students as you participate in color-themed teams. We will also help identify your individual strengths and goals that will help you succeed in your new college environment. This is an experience that helps make your transition to Tech easier by allowing for the creation of new bonds with a diverse group of students — before ever arriving on campus. We want you to have the best first year at Georgia Tech, and Wreck Camp is just the way to get ahead of the curve! For more information, visit transitionprograms.gatech.edu.

Week of Welcome

Week of Welcome is an opportunity for incoming students to move in a week early to start making Georgia Tech their home and create connections that will last throughout their time at Tech. Students will be able to participate in a variety of fun events that will benefit them academically and socially before the semester starts.

- Connect with fellow Yellow Jackets through social and educational experiences.
- Participate in small and large events on and off campus such as Convocation, Silent Disco, Organization Fair, Greek Life Recruitment, Outdoor Movies, and so much more!
- Learn more about opportunities in which to be involved across all aspects of campus life.
- Attend workshops based on your interests—from traditions to how to study for college-level tests to how to get involved on campus.
- Have fun before classes start.

For more information about Week of Welcome events, visit welcomehome.gatech.edu.



STUDENT SERVICES AT GEORGIA TECH

Housing & Residence Life

Housing and Residence Life is the home for community and connection with peers, as well as proximity to campus. Housing also offers academic support, programming, and resources through staff engagement. There are close to 50 residential facilities on-campus with almost 9,000 residents. Most first-years live on campus and can apply online for summer and fall. Fall move-in is August 13-14 with the Week of Welcome going on until August 20 to introduce students to campus, and help create connections that will last their entire time at Tech. Learn more at housing.gatech.edu.

Parking and Transportation Services

PTS offers a wide range of options for students that drive, commute, bike or walk to, or around campus. There is a variety of parking options—every day, occasionally, full year, or just a semester. Parking permits can be purchased online and can be paid for along with tuition and fees for the semester. Georgia Tech's fare-free transit system can be used to navigate campus and buses can be tracked in real-time. PTS also offers nighttime transit to help students get home safely. Paratransit service is available to aid students who need transportation assistance due to permanent or temporary mobility impairments. More information on all the service options is available at pts.gatech.edu.

Student Center

The Student Center is the central gathering point for the entire community and a place to build relationships, whether that's at a student program in our building, for a meeting, or even the casual conversations or studying in the hallways. It is also the home of critical services like the Post Office, notary service, and event support. Students can enjoy student-led free or cheap programming and events that support the campus community and introduce students to Atlanta attractions with the Student Center Programs Council. There are also leadership and professional development opportunities as the team employs students every semester. The Student Center joins the Exhibition Hall, West Village, Academy of Medicine and pavilion buildings, all community support centers brought to you by the Student and Campus Event Centers team. Learn more about the Student Center and related community centers at studentcenter.gatech.edu.

BuzzCard Center

A BuzzCard is your key to campus life. It is your campus ID card and gives you access to residence halls and services across campus. Students access their meal plans using their BuzzCard, as well as their campus cash account used for dining, laundry, vending and printing. BuzzCards are picked up during your FASET session or from the BuzzCard Center. Shop at buzzcard.gatech.edu.



Barnes & Noble @Georgia Tech

The Georgia Tech Bookstore is located in Technology Square and has all your course materials and Georgia Tech gear. Eligible students can take advantage of Bursar Billing and can apply their textbooks and supplies through their student account. The bookstore also price matches textbooks and discounts technology items. More information is available at www.shopgatech.com.

Disability Services

The Office of Disability Services collaborates with students, faculty, and staff to create a campus environment that is usable, equitable, sustainable and inclusive of all members of the Georgia Tech community. Disability as an aspect of diversity that is integral to society and Georgia Tech. If students encounter academic, physical, technological, or other barriers on campus, the Disability Services team is available to collaboratively find creative solutions and implement reasonable accommodations. Accommodations are tools that grant students with disabilities access to educational opportunities. They are not intended to alter or lower the standards or expectations of a course of exam; rather, accommodations are designed to assist students with disabilities in learning the same material and meeting the same expectations as their classmates. For more information on how to register with Office of Disability Services, please visit disabilityservices.gatech.edu.

Campus Recreation Center

The Campus Recreation Center (CRC) is the central place for physical and emotional health and well-being on campus. The CRC has a state-of-the-art fitness floor, Olympic aquatic center, and a climbing wall, and is the hub for outdoor recreation, adventure trips, intramurals, and sports clubs. The CRC also provides professional and leadership development opportunities by employing over 350 students every semester. Visit crc.gatech.edu to learn more.

Tech Dining

Tech Dining offers a wide variety of options across campus to meet students' needs. There are two meal plan offerings that students choose on the Housing application. There is also a Greek meal plan for students interested in joining a Greek house as well as Dining Dollars and Meal Pass plans available for upperclassmen. Meal swipes can be used at 15 locations on campus and there are even more options with Dining Dollars that are a part of each first-year meal plan. Dining also offers dietary services to help students navigate restrictions due to allergies or intolerances. To learn more, visit dining.gatech.edu.

Stamps Health Services

Stamps Health Services is an outpatient care center offering primary care, women's health, psychiatry, sports medicine, and travel/immunization/allergy services. Most care is covered by the student health fee. Stamps offers an on-site pharmacy for prescription needs, as well as laboratory and radiology services. A comprehensive health insurance plan through United Healthcare, offered by the University System of Georgia, is available for students who do not already have insurance. Student immunization assessments and requirements can be done at Stamps prior to the start of school or during Week of Welcome. For more on what Stamps Health Services offers, visit health.gatech.edu.

Wellness Empowerment Center

The Wellness Empowerment Center cultivates a thriving environment that enhances lifelong well-being among students who live, learn, and work in the Georgia Tech Community. The team creatively designs prevention and education efforts to promote, nurture, and enrich the Georgia Tech community of health, well-being, and caring. Services include health and well-being educational programs, events and workshops, nutrition counseling, and sexual violence prevention, education, and response.

Health Education provides a variety of programs and outreach opportunities to bring customized wellness topics to your meeting, class, or residence hall. To learn more about health education services or request a presentation, please email healthy@gatech.edu.

Community Nutrition: Our registered dietitians develop a variety of programs, including cooking demos, grocery store tours, and outreach on topics such as eating on a budget, health myths

and realities, intuitive eating, nutrition 101, body positivity, as well as provide one-on-one nutrition counseling to students on a variety of topics. To learn more about nutrition services, please email nutrition@gatech.edu.

VOICE: Provides support to victim-survivors of sexual violence as well as educates the campus community about healthy relationships and sexual violence. Sexual violence is an umbrella term that includes sexual harassment, stalking, dating and domestic violence, and sexual assault and rape. VOICE Advocates offer 24/7 confidential support for all victims and survivors of any form of sexual violence. To learn more about these services and how to access an advocate, please email voice@gatech.edu or call (404) 894-9000.

The Center for Mental Health Care & Resources

The Center for Mental Health Care & Resources educates students for life by providing a variety of services and programs. Services include short-term individual counseling, group counseling, couples counseling, testing and assessment, crisis intervention, referral services, as well as outreach programming, and consultation for faculty and staff, family and friends of Georgia Tech students.

Georgia Tech has many resources to support student mental health and well-being. Accessing mental health resources starts by making an appointment with the Center for Mental Health Care & Resources. It's important that students are seen quickly and that they have access to all that Georgia Tech has to offer. Visits are free for all undergraduate and graduate students at Georgia Tech and are confidential.

The first visit with the Center for Mental Health Care & Resources is designed to be simple and easy, and help you connect with the right resources on campus. This applies to any concern you are having, whether big or small.



Once you walk into the Center for Mental Health Care & Resources, you will complete some paperwork and will be scheduled with a licensed clinician. After that meeting you will be given an individualized treatment plan to point you in the right direction.

The Center for Mental Health Care & Resources provides brief or short-term therapy for a variety of presenting issues. We also offer peer counseling, a variety of workshops and group therapies. Concerns that require ongoing or long-term treatment are best served through referral to one of the many qualified community providers we have in the nearby Atlanta community.

The Center for Mental Health Care & Resources is located in the Smithgall Student Services (Flag) Building, and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit us at mentalhealth.gatech.edu.

Collegiate Recovery Program

The Collegiate Recovery Program is offered to create a safe and welcoming community for students in recovery from substance abuse. The program is designed to promote healthy lifestyles, positive relationships, and academic excellence while helping recovering students avoid relapse into alcohol or drug abuse. The Collegiate Recovery Program offers social and emotional support, an on-campus AA meeting,

recovery-focused educational seminars, and connections with other campus resources. For more information, visit mentalhealth.gatech.edu.

Students' Temporary Assistance and Resources (STAR)

Students' Temporary Assistance and Resources (STAR) is a network of programs dedicated to connecting students with everything they need to thrive and flourish during their time at Georgia Tech. STAR Programs include:

Campus Closet lends professional attire, free of charge to students attending job fairs & interviews.

Klemis Kitchen makes food available to students who need help meeting their dietary needs.

Housing Assistance: Georgia Tech offers temporary emergency housing to students who become unexpectedly displaced and helps in securing a long-term housing situation.

Emergency Loans: The Dean Griffin Hip Pocket Fund offers interest-free emergency loans to students for academic or personal matters.

For more information about Star Services, visit our website at star.studentlife.gatech.edu.

Georgia Tech Arts

Georgia Tech Arts serves the campus community by facilitating connections with exceptional artists from around the world, and by supporting students in the development of their own creative practices. We envision an arts-infused campus that supports the active collaboration of art, science, and technology while providing students the creative tools, experiences, and inspiration to improve the human condition. Visit us at arts.gatech.edu and follow us @GaTechArts on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

Enjoy groundbreaking live shows and public art installations by renowned artists who are exploring some of the most important topics being studied at Georgia Tech. Artists-in-residence also visit classrooms, labs, and share behind-the-scenes experiences.

Engage with other Yellow Jackets -- Georgia Tech Arts fosters creative connections whether in the lab or classroom, on stage or outside on the Arts Plaza (and everywhere in between).

Discover more than thirty works of public art dotted across campus. Our website has a map that will lead you to everything from Patrick Dougherty's sculpture made entirely out of trees, to the double anamorphosis mural, Merge, installed in Tech Square.

Create a project with a team of GT faculty and students and apply to the biannual ACCelerate Creativity & Innovation Festival in Washington, D.C.

Connect with the Georgia Tech Arts Student and Artist Engagement Coordinator to learn more about how we can serve as a mentor, partner, or guide to your student organization. Visit the [Arts on Campus](#) section of our website to learn more.





Office of Student Integrity

The Georgia Tech Honor Challenge states “I commit to uphold the ideals of honor and integrity by refusing to betray the trust bestowed upon me as a member of the Georgia Tech community.” This is recited by new students every year at Convocation and displayed in many classrooms across campus. The Honor Challenge is a core value of Georgia Tech, and the Office of Student Integrity’s role is to educate and support the campus community regarding expectations both inside and outside of the classroom.

Student integrity is everyone’s responsibility. The Office of Student Integrity (OSI) works hard to communicate to students and the campus community the importance of academic honesty and sound decision-making. Promoting compliance and preserving accountability is not a one-person or one-office job. It takes a commitment from students, families, staff, and faculty. Furthermore, a safe and civil environment is critical to the learning process. To that end, the Office of Student Integrity addresses three types of cases: Academic Integrity Violations, Code of Conduct Violations, Title IX Adjudication.

Information about the academic and non-academic conduct process is located at osi.gatech.edu.

Parent and Family Programs

Parent and Family Programs exists to help you and your parents and family stay connected so that they can support you throughout your experience at Georgia Tech. Now your family is a part of the Yellow Jacket community as well. We believe the partnership between our office and your parents and families will help you to be successful at Georgia Tech. Our primary way to maintain this partnership is through good communication, which is why we encourage parents to subscribe to our electronic monthly newsletter, *ParentNews*, and consider becoming a member of the **Parents Association**. All parents are automatically members—to register, visit the “Stay Connected” page on our website. Our favorite times of the year are when parents and families come to campus and visit you, which is why we highly encourage everyone to attend the following events: **Family Weekend**, **Sibs Day**, and **Grandparents & Friends Day**. We put together fun activities and Georgia Tech spirit to help you spend time with your parents and families. Don’t forget to take a picture on the first day of classes—your parents will thank you for it!

For more information about our office, visit us at parents.gatech.edu or follow us on [Instagram](#) (@gtfamilies) or [Facebook](#) (GeorgiaTech.ParentsProgram).



Student Diversity Programs

The Office of Student Diversity Programs serves as a resource for all students, faculty, and staff on campus. We advocate for the representation of all identities and cultures, and we educate and program around the multitude of identities at Tech. The Office supports students and student organizations in their diversity-related initiatives as well as their individual development. Students can obtain leadership experience with the office through the Diversity Ambassador Program, the MLK Student Board, participating in student organizations advised by the office, or attending programs and trainings hosted or sponsored by our department. Follow our [Instagram @gtdiversity](#) or visit diversityprograms.gatech.edu.

OMED: Educational Services

Educational Services (OMED) is a unit within Institute Diversity Equity and Inclusion's Center for Student Diversity and Inclusion that serves all majors and classifications through a variety of programs and services designed to advance diverse, equitable, and inclusive education at Georgia Tech. Highlighted services include:

Academic Support: Offers in-person and virtual drop-in Tutoring, study group support, and private/open student study space, accessible without appointment, Monday-Thursday until 8 p.m.

Challenge: A 5-week summer residential academic intensive for incoming first-year students at Tech.

Career Pathways: Employment and experiential learning opportunities through 3-week career immersion, professional development workshops, co-op/internship support, study abroad & research.

Edge: A peer-mentoring and development program designed to support incoming first time students during their first year at Georgia Tech.

OMED Study Abroad GRIP (South Africa/South America): Offers global culturally immersive experiences and exploration for students to connect with global practices within their academic STEM interests.

Peer I Scope: A grant awarded program to attract, retain, and empower Achieve Atlanta scholars, APS students, and transfer students (particularly from HBCU's, USG schools, and minority serving institutions).

Tech 411: A summer transition program for incoming transfer students to equip them with strategies, tools, and an academic success network at Georgia Tech.

AAMI (African American Male Initiative) and Women of Color Initiative (WOCI) aims to enhance the advancement of students and innovation at the intersection of race and gender through targeted research-based strategies for advocacy, accountability, cultural awareness, leadership development, collaboration, recognition, and student-driven productivity spaces.

Academic Empowerment Award/ Professional Development Grants:

Sponsored awards to enhance student excellence in academics, career advancement, and degree completion.

For more information, visit us at omed.gatech.edu.

LGBTQIA Resource Center

The LGBTQIA Resource Center is a safe and welcoming space for people of all gender identities, gender expressions, and sexual orientations. Whether you hold an LGBTQIA identity, are still figuring it out, or are an ally, you'll find support and community in the Center. We recognize and honor the diversity in our queer community, and we aim to create a space where each of our members can make connections and feel a sense of belonging. For questions or to learn more, email lgbtqia@gatech.edu.

Ways to connect:

- Sign up for our newsletter at lgbtqia.gatech.edu.
- Stop by our physical location in the Flag Building, Suite 140.
- Follow us on [Instagram](#) ([gt_lgbtqia](#)).
- Follow the center on Engage.

Programs and Events:

Q-Chats: Our bi-weekly discussion group series for students. These identity based groups currently exist for Queer Men, Queer Women, Queer Students of Color, Transgender Students, and Asexual/Aromantic students.

Allyship Education: Learn more about LGBTQIA allyship through Safe Space. Additionally, learn how to be an ally to transgender/nonbinary

individuals at Trans 101.

Queer Coffee Hour: Twice a month, we invite time for students to take a break from studying & classes. Come meet new people and relax over coffee & snacks.

LGBTQIA History Month: Taking place every October, this is Georgia Tech's celebration of LGBTQIA community. OUT Week, hosted by Pride Alliance, occurs this month and brings together LGBTQIA people and allies for events aimed at celebrating, educating, strengthening, and uplifting our community.

LGBTQIA Family Reunion: The Family Reunion takes place within the first two weeks of the fall semester and is a great way for new and returning students to learn about campus resources and meet other people.

Pride Peers: A peer mentoring program designed for students with LGBTQIA identities to assist incoming LGBTQIA students with the transition to Georgia Tech

Veterans Resource Center

The Veterans Resource Center at Georgia Tech is dedicated to serving students who are veterans, military, reservist, guard members, and dependents by providing comprehensive support services that enhance and complement the academic experience. Through information sharing, referral services, outreach, and opportunities for involvement, the Veterans Resource Center strives to provide a supportive and educational environment that fosters student success and achievement. Visit us at veterans.gatech.edu for more information.

Women's Resource Center

At the Women's Resource Center, women are at the center of everything we do. The Women's Resource Center advances gender equity across identities by cultivating opportunities for community building, transformative learning, and collaborative leadership among women and their allies. We offer a wide range of programs and resources focused on making sure that women get the most out of their time at Georgia Tech. Whether you join us for a craft circle, attend the Women's Leadership Coalition, or participate in one of our gender equity workshops, we hope that you will find an opportunity to lead and explore issues that impact women's lives, as well as build a community within the Women's Resource Center.

What We Offer

- Two lounge areas with comfortable couches and tables for studying, hanging out with friends, or taking a break
- A study and meeting room for group projects, interview prep, or a student organization meeting
- Basic craft supplies to help you decompress between classes
- 1:1 advising and support for issues impacting women's lives
- Free menstrual products & sexual health supplies
- A library of books on women's lives and issues

Some Ways to Get Involved

- RISE, our First-Year Leadership Organization (FLO)
- Women's Leadership Coalition
- Take Back the Night
- Women's Action Month
- Craft Circle
- Women of Color Community Circles

To learn more about us or get involved visit womenscenter.gatech.edu or follow us on



Bursar Office

The Bursar's Office is responsible for assessing student tuition and fees, collecting payments, billing, and issuing refunds. The Bursar's Office does not mail invoices. Students may access their student account by logging into BuzzPort and clicking the **Pay Now** link to the Bill+Payment portal. Secure online payment by electronic check or credit card can be made through the portal and students may also authorize parents to view their bill and make payment through the portal.

Visit bursar.gatech.edu for payment due dates, fees, and other information regarding student accounts including a **Pay Now** link.

For parent payment instructions, visit bursar.gatech.edu/parent-payment-instructions.



Financial Aid and Scholarships

The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid (OSFA) is here to help you and your family as you pursue your college degree. Now that you've arrived on campus, here is what you need to know about your financial aid. **questions? Come talk to us!** Office Location: 3rd Floor—Bill Moore Student Success Center
Advising Hours: M-F, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Or visit our website at finaid.gatech.edu.

Instagram @gtwrc.

Financial Aid Payments (Disbursements)

Financial aid disbursement is the process by which financial aid money gets paid to your student account in the Bursar's Office. Georgia Tech will disburse financial aid funds once:

1. The appropriate enrollment status is met, and
2. All disbursement requirements (such as entrance loan counseling) are met.

You can check the status of these requirements by logging into Financial Aid Self Service at finaid.gatech.edu/check-status.

Outside Scholarships and Loan Checks

All of these must be routed through our office. Please allow at least five business days for processing. For details on how to manage your outside scholarship checks visit finaid.gatech.edu/undergraduate-types-aid/outside-scholarships.

Satisfactory Academic Process

Scholarship and Financial Aid recipients are required to meet and maintain the Institute's Standard of Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). Progress is monitored every semester, and is separate from Academic Standing, which is calculated by the Registrar's Office. Familiarize yourself with the SAP requirements at finaid.gatech.edu/manage-aid/academic-progress.

HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships (Georgia residents only)

In addition to meeting the Standard of Satisfactory Academic Progress, students who receive the HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship will have their GPA checked after every spring semester AND after every 30 credit hours attempted.

More details may be found at finaid.gatech.edu/undergraduate-types-aid/scholarships.

Reapplying for Financial Aid

Students who wish to continue to receive financial aid, whether in the form of scholarships, grants, or loans, need to reapply for each year by completing the following two forms:

1. Georgia Tech Application for Scholarships and Financial Aid (GT App)
2. Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

If you're a Georgia resident who only wants to receive the HOPE or Zell Miller Scholarship, you may forgo the FAFSA and submit the following forms instead:

1. Georgia Tech Application for Scholarships and Financial Aid (GT App)
2. Georgia Student Finance Application (GSFAPS)



Georgia Tech Police Department

The mission of the Georgia Tech Police Department is to strive for excellence and integrity in providing a safe and secure environment and instilling confidence in the Georgia Tech community. To enforce laws and campus policy, to serve the public, to prevent and detect criminal activity, and to reduce the fears of the public through community interaction and education. Lastly, to promote growth and development for the members of the Department.

The LiveSafe app

This app is a free safety tool for students, faculty, and staff, provides a quick and convenient way to communicate with the Georgia Tech Police Department. The tool allows you to send text, photo, and video to GTPD, provides access to emergency phone numbers, permits you to use location sharing with friends and family, and offers security alerts and access to important resources. LiveSafe is available on iPhone or Android.

Property Registration

Free service offered by GTPD for keeping a record of owner information, item description, and serial numbers in the event property is lost or stolen. Students may register laptop or desktop computers, smart phones, tablet devices, personal entertainment devices, and bicycles. To register property, visit: www.police.gatech.edu/registration.

Programming

GTPD offers a variety of safety classes all free of charge to the GT community. The Georgia Tech Police Department offers opportunities to collaborate with multiple departments on campus in efforts to facilitate programming to promote a safe environment for all.

- Active Shooter
- Alcohol & Drug Awareness
- Basic Firearms and Education Safety
- Crime Prevention 101
- Crime Prevention for International Students
- Forum- Open Discussion
- LiveSafe Demonstration (5-10 Minutes)
- Citizen's Police Academy (4 weeks)
- Student Citizen's Police Academy (1 day/weekend)
- Self-Defense



RAT Caps

RAT caps were first found on Georgia Tech's campus in 1915. They were originally called "freshmen caps" because of the white F on the front of the cap standing for "Freshmen" rather than the "GT" we see today. All freshmen were required to wear the caps every day until the end of spring quarter unless Tech beat UGA in the fall quarter's freshman football game. Freshmen caught without their RAT cap were subjected to punishment including what is known as the "T-cut", which entailed a student's hair being shaved into the shape of a "T". RAT rules were enforced by Ramblin' Reck Club and other upperclassmen. Anti-hazing policies led to the end of RAT rules. Today, out of respect for the tradition, freshmen receive a RAT cap at Convocation.

RAT caps are filled out by using a black permanent marker to write the acronym RAT on the upturned brim followed by the student's name above it, major to the left, graduation year to the right, and hometown and state below. The scores of football games are written on the panels of the cap. If Tech wins, the score should be written right side up, and written upside down if Tech loses. The back panel should contain the phrase "To HELL with georgia" with one word to each line. "HELL" should be written in the largest font and "georgia" should be written in all lowercase letters, as we choose not to recognize U[sic]GA as an institute of higher education.

In 1927, William Edgar Smith was mistakenly sent two enrollment forms from Georgia Tech. At the time, Smith attended Richmond Academy in Augusta, Georgia; the president of the academy was George P. Butler, a former UGA football captain. Smith decided to play a prank and enroll the president to Georgia Tech, but he changed the name to George P. Burdell at the last moment. After Burdell was accepted, Smith decided to continue his prank and enrolled Burdell in all of the same classes. With the help of some of his friends, Smith completed an extra copy of homework assignments, mixing up some of the answers and changing his handwriting style so none of the professors would catch on.

Years later, Burdell successfully completed his classes and graduated with a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1930. After graduating, Burdell went back to school and received his master's degree in Mechanical Engineering. Since then, Burdell has made many achievements and has been quite a hero. Burdell flew a B-17 Bomber with the Airforce in England in WWII and has been documented as serving in just about every war since then. He has also served on the board of directors of MAD magazine, received a varsity letter in basketball at Tech, traveled the world, and even lead online polls for the 'Person of the Year' by Time Magazine. The legend of George P. Burdell lives on at Georgia Tech and he is a member at most local Atlanta churches, he is often found on sign-ups for events around campus, and he even has a Facebook page.

WHO IS BURDELL?

MEET BUZZ



One of the best parts of being a Yellow Jacket is that we have not only one, but two iconic mascots: The **Ramblin' Wreck** and **Buzz** the Yellow Jacket. We all know and love the hilarious and energetic Yellow Jacket that pumps up the crowds at sporting events and lifts up the spirits of Tech students. A lot has happened to make Buzz what he is today.

The story behind our Yellow Jacket symbol dates back to the early 1900's when our first athletic teams were fielded. They had yet to choose an official name, so sports writers had taken to giving us nicknames such as The Engineers, the Blacksmiths, the Techs, and the Golden Tornadoes, but the school didn't officially take up any of these names. It was actual yellow jackets that our fans wore in support of our team that gave us the name we go by now. The term Yellow Jackets was used to describe our fans, and in 1905, John Heisman declared that he wanted our team to be known as the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets.





GETTING INVOLVED AT GEORGIA TECH

First-Year Leadership Organizations

A First-Year Leadership Organization (FLO) is a leadership program sponsored by a specific unit, college, or department.

What FLOs do we currently have?

- Connect
- freShGA
- Emerging Leaders (EL)
- First-Year Activities Board (FAB)
- Seek Discomfort (SEED)
- First-Year Leadership Initiative (FLI)
- First-Year Servant Leadership Organization (FSLO)
- Reimagine, Inspire, Serve and Power (RISE)
- Suit Up Professional Preparation (SUPP)

Why do FLOs exist?

FLOs serve two purposes:

1. Provide students with leadership experience during their first year.
2. Provide programming opportunities. In essence, they are in existence to create a sense of community and belonging for first-year students on campus.

How do you get into a FLO?

All FLOs have an application and interview process. Applications typically open during the summer at the first FASET and are open through August. Candidates who make it to the interview stage will be selected by the student leaders of the respective FLOs.

Who can be in a FLO?

Any first-year student who has never been to college before can be in a FLO. This means transfer students cannot participate. There are programs specifically for transfer students that are better equipped to meet their needs.

What do FLOs provide to the students who are selected to be a part of it?

FLOs provide students with a network of first-years with the purpose of building community. Since these students will be working closely with each other over the course of the year they get a chance to learn how to work in teams and to complete projects.

Who is involved in FLOs?

All FLOs have upper-class students who direct and provide support to the students who are part of the FLO. These are sometimes second or third year students and are often times referred to as advisors or directors. Each FLO also has a dedicated full-time staff member that is an active presence within the organization and provides guidance and additional support that students might need at the GT administrative level.



Student Engagement

The Center for Student Engagement supports opportunities that create a vibrant, safe, and engaged student experience that compliments the academic mission of Georgia Tech. The Student Engagement team is committed to holistic, co-curricular learning and building supportive advising relationships with student leaders and student organizations. Visit studentengagement.gatech.edu for more information!

Fraternity & Sorority Life provides support and advocacy for the over 25% of the total undergraduate student population who are members of a Greek-lettered organization at Georgia Tech. We advise the leadership of the individual chapters and the executive boards of the four governing councils regarding operations, risk management, recruitment, and membership development. greek.gatech.edu

Civic Engagement promotes avenues for community service, social issue education, and global awareness to support students in exploring their responsibility as global citizens to build and contribute to community in our intricate, multilayered world. Specific programs include Alternative Service Breaks, the Jumpstart early-education literacy program, MOVEments Podcast, and several Day of Service events. The Institute also has over 70 service-based student organizations. civic-engagement.gatech.edu

Student Media strives to provide the Institute and Atlanta communities with news, information and a forum for the exchange of ideas while providing an educational learning environment for students interested in creative expression and media management. The seven official student “publications” at the Institute include: the student newspaper, a traditions book, the yearbook, a literary and a social magazine, an undergraduate research journal, a free speech publication, and a non-commercial FM radio station. studentmedia.gatech.edu

Student Organizations at Georgia Tech promotes and strengthens student involvement and engagement at Georgia Tech through the administration of ENGAGE, the creation of leadership development opportunities for student organization members and leaders, and oversight of student organization annual registration and chartering. student-organizations.gatech.edu



ENGAGE serves as a student and student organization's one-stop shop for all things engagement. Hosting student organizations, service opportunities, living learning communities, and more, the Engage platform provides incredible opportunities for students to find and join activities and clubs to catalyze their Georgia Tech career.

- Download the Corq (powered by CampusLabs) App to your mobile device
- Login with your GT credentials
- Save your personalized QR code to your Apple Wallet or Google Pay
- Browse event opportunities and register to attend events

Student Organizations Fairs will be happening throughout the first weeks of the semester. Find them on the Corq App and watch your email for engagement opportunities.

Formal Fraternity and Sorority

Recruitment is launched for the Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils the week before Fall classes begin. The Multicultural Greek and National Pan-Hellenic recruitment schedules can be found online and are on-going.

Be on the lookout for service opportunities!

Into the Streets is an annual day of service hosted by Mobilizing Opportunities for Volunteer Experiences (MOVE) that introduces the Georgia Tech community to service opportunities in Atlanta. Students work in small groups on different service projects throughout the city with student leaders. The Alternative Service Breaks student organization is finalizing multiple fall break service trips that students can participate in. Learn more online and on the Corq app.



THE TECHNIQUE

The South's Liveliest College Newspaper

Grab a copy of the official GT student newspaper, **The Technique**, while you are on campus this summer! The paper is available at various locations around campus and online at nique.net



School of Music Ensembles

The School of Music wouldn't be what it is today without its vibrant collection of musical ensembles. Each of our ensembles is composed of a diverse group of intelligent, hardworking students with a passion for music. Our ensemble directors are well respected in their fields, and are adept at choosing engaging, enjoyable pieces of music for each semester's concerts. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved and use your talents to make music with us! For more information, visit music.gatech.edu

Treble Choir

All female singers are welcome to join Georgia Tech's Treble Choir. No audition is required. If you've sung in a choral group, can match pitch, and can read basic music, then come join in!

Symphony Orchestra

The School of Music currently offers two orchestral ensembles: the Georgia Tech Symphony Orchestra (GTSO, advanced), and Chamber Orchestra (intermediate). Students are encouraged to pre-register for orchestra and then audition.

Symphonic Band

The Georgia Tech Symphonic Band is comprised of 50-60 exceptional student musicians. Auditions are scheduled during the first week of classes. Visit georgiatechband.com/auditions for more info.

Rock & Pop Ensemble

The Georgia Tech Rock/Pop ensemble performs repertoire drawn from all styles of American vernacular music from roughly 1950 onwards, as well as derivative genres from overseas—particularly from the U.K.!

Percussion Ensembles

The Percussion Ensembles are offered for credit during fall and spring semester. They provide unique experiences for students and embrace many diverse performance opportunities. Auditions are held the first Monday and Wednesday of each semester.

Jazz Ensembles

The Georgia Tech Jazz Program, under the direction of Dr. Chip Crotts, provides a great opportunity to study one of America's greatest and most unique art forms. Typically, one large jazz ensemble is offered each semester, as well as the opportunity to perform in a small combo setting

Marching Band and Pep Band

Boasting a membership of more than 340 students, the Georgia Tech Yellow Jacket Marching Band is one of the oldest programs in the country. The Pep Bands perform at both Men's and Women's Basketball games to help generate energy, excitement, and the home crowd intensity that our teams thrive on. The Georgia Tech Pep Band attends all home games, local tournaments, ACC Tournaments, and post-season tournament events for their respective teams.



Glee Club

The Georgia Tech Glee Club is the oldest student organization on the Georgia Tech campus, the oldest Glee Club in the South, and one of the oldest such groups in the country.

Concert Band

The Concert Band, under the direction of Professor Benjamin Diden, consists of 55-70 players who perform the masterworks of wind literature designed for the rich sonorities of an expanded instrumentation.

Chorale

As the most inclusive ensemble, the Chorale is open to all members of the Georgia Tech community, whether you are a student, faculty or staff member. No audition is required to join!

Chamber Choir

Founded in 1998, the Chamber Choir has since established itself as one of the premiere college vocal ensembles in the Southeast. Composed of select, auditioned mixed vocalists, its members are primarily all-state-level singers with extensive backgrounds in choral singing.

Dating back to Tech's early days as a trade school, the whistle regulates day-to-day life on campus, blowing at five minutes 'til the hour from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. every weekday. It has been the target of many pranksters and is probably the second most desirable prize on campus behind the Tech Tower 'T'. The whistle is the oldest recorded tradition at Georgia Tech. For the past ten years, this timeless Tech symbol has been an integral part of "When the Whistle Blows," a ceremony that honors and celebrates the memory of those who have passed over the past year. The current steam whistle, which is attached to Georgia Tech's power plant, was built by GTRI in 2004 to more closely match the original specifications of older Georgia Tech whistles. Aside from marking the end of class, the whistle also blows to celebrate touchdowns and home football victories, and thus it is a most welcome sound to the ears of Tech students.

THE WHISTLE





Georgia Tech Athletics

Georgia Tech Athletics is proud to offer current students complimentary admission to all regular season home events on a single-game basis.

For football, students can either purchase a Gold Membership to the Yellow Jacket Club that includes student season tickets or claim a complimentary single game ticket the week of the game on a first-come, first-served basis. For the 2023 football season this fall, students will be able to purchase a \$65 Yellow Jacket Club Gold Membership that includes a guaranteed ticket for all games at Bobby Dodd Stadium and priority access to a ticket for the Chick-fil-A Kickoff game in Mercedes-Benz Stadium against Louisville on September 1.

Students can gain free admission to men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, swim & dive, tennis, track & field, and volleyball by simply showing their Buzzcard upon entry. Student admission to these events are on a first-come, first-served basis as space allows.

For more information on student tickets, please visit ramblinwreck.com/student-tickets.





Spirituality at Tech

The Institute has over 40 student organizations that define themselves as spiritual or religious. These organizations offer a plethora of opportunities for students to engage in fun, fellowship, leadership, and service. In addition, over one-half of the chaplains representing these organizations have campus affiliate status with the Division of Student Life and enhance the campus' spiritual life by fostering interaction among Tech's various communities of faith and by serving the spiritual needs of the entire community. In a recent survey, Interfaith Council organizations reported they had over 5,000 students participating in their programs.

Visit engage.gatech.edu to find the most up to date list of registered religious and spiritual student organizations.

Leadership Education and Development (LEAD)

Leadership takes place at all levels on the Georgia Tech campus—it's not just for those in formal leadership positions. The Office of Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) office gives participating students the opportunity to learn and practice effective leadership skills that can be applied to all areas of their personal and professional lives, now and in the future. The LEAD office offers a thoughtful and intentional series of academic, experiential, and co-curricular activities to help students prepare for leadership in a rapidly evolving global society. LEAD programs, which include everything from one-on-one leadership coaching to learning communities, are designed to help students:

- Gain valuable insights into leadership potential
- Improve communication skills
- Learn how to get projects done in teams
- Understand what it takes to create change and inspire others
- Chart a leadership development pathway to real results within Georgia Tech and beyond

For more information on programs and how to get involved with LEAD, visit leadership.gatech.edu.



LEARNING COMMUNITIES

iGniTe

iGniTe is a summer only program designed to provide first-year students with a jump start at Georgia Tech. Participants have the option of living on campus in the residence halls or living off campus. All iGniTe students take themed courses and participate in co-curricular enrichment activities tailored to a track they select based on their interests. Any admitted student can choose to come for summer.

Website: summer.gatech.edu

Email: summer@gatech.edu

Office: Bill Moore Student Success Center

Explore

The Explore LLC connects science and math students interested in undergraduate research and pre-health options with faculty, staff, and professionals across the Institute. Students receive interdisciplinary academic support, are encouraged to explore career options, and develop the technical and team-building skills for early access to research and clinical opportunities, all while creating a culture of curiosity and self-discovery amongst their cohort.

Website: explorellc.cos.gatech.edu

Email: explorellc@cos.gatech.edu

Office: Folk Residence Hall, Ground Floor

Global Leadership

Living and experiencing culture, citizenship, and leadership in the Global Leadership LLC creates cross-culturally savvy problem definers and problem solvers. Global Leadership teams complete projects applying culture-based leadership perspectives to global challenges in technical, social, and political arenas.

Website: globalleadership.oie.gatech.edu

Email: globalleadership@oie.gatech.edu

Office: Perry Residence Hall, First Floor

Grand Challenges

By teaching students how to most effectively utilize servant leadership, Grand Challenges creates change makers who seek empathy and who have an unparalleled opportunity to change the world. At the conclusion of the first year, Grand Challenges teams pitch a proposal for a solution to grand challenges facing the world.

Website: grandchallenges.gatech.edu

Email: grandchallenges@gatech.edu

Office: Brittain Rec, LEAD Office Suite



First-Year Semester Abroad (FYSA)

Partnering with Georgia Tech's international campuses and programs, FYSA is an immersive opportunity for students who wish to accelerate their journey to global citizenship, starting in year one. There are two FYSA program tracks: FYSA@GTE, hosted by Georgia Tech-Europe in Metz, France, and FYSA@Oxford, where students will study and live at the University of Oxford in England and continue coursework while traveling throughout continental Europe.

Website: firstyearabroad.gatech.edu
Email: fysa@gatech.edu

Honors Program

The Honors Program aims to be an accelerator for innovation in higher education. The Honors Program provides small, active-learning classes—often including innovative interdisciplinary and experiential elements—to foster the curiosity, creativity, and innovative capacity of highly motivated learners. Students partner with Honors Program staff to plan student activities and to advance the Honors Program mission.

Website: honorsprogram.gatech.edu
Email: honorsprogram@gatech.edu
Office: Eighth St. West, Ground Floor

“UP WITH THE
WHITE AND GOLD”

*Up with the white and gold
Down with the red and black
Georgia Tech is out for a victory
We'll drop a battle axe on Georgia's head
When we meet her our team is sure to beat her
Down on the old farm there will be no sound
'Till our bow wows rips through the air
When the battle is over Georgia's team will be found
With the Yellow Jacket's swarming 'round! Hey!*



INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Georgia Tech has long been a leader in providing opportunities for students to experience other cultures, develop critical cross-cultural competencies, and understand the global implications of their disciplines. The Office of International Education (OIE) is the central office on campus charged with spearheading Georgia Tech's internationalization efforts. OIE is comprised of several units, including Education Abroad, Global Research & Internships, the International Plan, On-Campus Internationalization, and International Student and Scholar Services, which offer opportunities for students to add an international perspective to their Georgia Tech experience.

Education Abroad

With 130+ different programs, Georgia Tech Study Abroad opportunities span every continent and academic discipline. During the academic year 2018-2019, 56% of Georgia Tech undergraduate students graduated with an international experience. Study abroad is open to all undergraduate students with the opportunity to study abroad for fall, spring, summer, or for the full academic year. Students have the choice to study with a group or at a partner university exchange. Students earn academic credit towards their degree while on a Tech program. If a student plans ahead, study abroad won't delay graduation. Most programs charge the in-state tuition rate. Please note that beginning in Fall 2023, the Georgia Tech-Europe campus rates will be the same in-state and out-of-state tuition rates as the Georgia Tech-Atlanta campus. Most students enrolled in a study abroad program take their regular scholarships, grants and loans with them when they study abroad. There are numerous study abroad scholarships that students can apply for. For more information about studying abroad with Georgia Tech, visit: ea.oie.gatech.edu.

Global Leadership Living Learning Community

OIE's Global Leadership Living Learning Community (GL) is a community for first-year students from all majors. GL students like being around people from different backgrounds and nationalities and typically want to study, work, or research abroad. GL students live and study together, making Global Leadership a great way to build community with faculty, staff, and peers. Students take a required 3-credit course together as a community in the fall semester. This project-based course allows small teams of students to look at the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, determining what leadership looks like related to each goal in a particular regional and cultural context. During the spring semester, students choose between 10-15 Georgia Tech classes with each student selecting one. For more information, visit us at globalleadership.oie.gatech.edu.

Global Research & Internship Program

The Global Research & Internship Program (GRIP) assists Georgia Tech students in finding and securing global internships and research positions. These global opportunities are related to a student's major and allow them to develop professional skills in a cross-cultural setting. The positions are generally full-time and range from 6 weeks to a full year. Past students have obtained internships in industry, research, non-profit and start-up companies. GT students have participated in global work opportunities in 68 countries! Participating in a global internship helps to make students competitive in their future education and career pursuits. For more information, visit: grip.oie.gatech.edu.

International Students & Scholars

Professionals within International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) provide resources and advocacy for the large and diverse population of international students and scholars at Georgia Tech. ISSS strives to prepare international students to study in the U.S., educate and assist students in maintaining their immigration status, and prepares students for life in the U.S. after Georgia Tech. For more information, visit oie.gatech.edu/issss.

International Plan

The International Plan (IP) is Georgia Tech's degree designation program for students interested in gaining a global perspective of their major. IP students spend 26 weeks abroad, take three globally-focused courses, demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language, and incorporate an international element into their senior capstone course. Those who complete the IP requirements earn the International Plan designation on their Georgia Tech diploma and official transcript. They also gain a host of skills and experiences that make them more marketable to employers and graduate school programs. Currently, there are 28 participating majors. For more information visit issss.oie.gatech.edu.



ACADEMIC ADVISING AND SUCCESS

Georgia Tech's academic advisors are professional staff or faculty with the expertise to help students define and achieve their academic goals and to make the most of their college experience. In addition to providing assistance for registration and interpreting Institute policies and procedures, advisors work with students to understand their degree requirements and options, and to create their academic path to graduation; to set academic, career and life goals; to explore co-curricular opportunities such as study abroad, undergraduate research, co-ops and internships; to connect with campus resources; and to develop strategies for academic success. All students meet with academic advisors in their major prior to course registration at FASET. For more information, visit advising.gatech.edu

GT 1000 and GT 2000

GT 1000 is a one-credit hour, letter-graded seminar course offered in summer, fall, and spring semesters that demonstrates Georgia Tech's commitment to supporting the successful transition and experience of new students. The course meets weekly for one hour and covers topics critical to first-year student success, including career and major exploration, academic success strategies, and team building skills. All sections utilize successful, experienced students as peer facilitators, referred to as "Team Leaders," who volunteer to work closely with the instructor to promote small group interaction and offer advice and support to first-year students.

GT 2000 is a one-credit, letter-graded discussion-based seminar designed to help transfer students successfully transition to Tech and to become active, engaged members of the Tech community. The curriculum includes topics such as career exploration and planning, academic success strategies, and leadership, community service, and involvement opportunities. Team Leaders serve as peer mentors to new transfer students.

Tutoring & Academic Support

1-to-1 Tutoring is located in Clough Commons Suite 273 and offers a free, appointment-based CRLA-Certified tutoring program for all Georgia Tech undergraduate students. Students may schedule up to two appointments per week per course and all tutors have earned an A at Tech for the class they support. Tutoring is available in approximately 200 courses (mostly 1000-2000 level) each spring and fall semester. For more information, visit tutoring.gatech.edu/tutoring.

Drop-In Tutoring is available in Clough Commons for help with Chemistry (Introductory and Organic Chemistry), Physics I & II, CS 1371, AE, Explore LLC, and BME FOCUS. The Math Lab offers tutoring for all introductory calculus courses, differential equations, linear algebra and other 1000, 2000 and some 3000 courses. These tutoring programs are staffed by Teaching Assistants (TAs) who work directly with the courses and faculty.

PLUS (Peer-Led Undergraduate Study) provides students with the opportunity to work together to review course content, develop learning and study strategies, and prepare for exams. PLUS leaders, who have already successfully completed the course at Tech, facilitate these weekly study sessions. The PLUS session schedule is posted at the beginning of each semester.

Learning Assistants (LAs) are undergraduate students who provide support for student learning inside the classroom. LAs facilitate small-group discussions, breakout activities, and peer-peer collaboration in lecture, recitation, studio, and lab.



Pre-Graduate and Pre-Professional Advising

Advisors work with students who choose to pursue professional or graduate school or prestigious fellowships. We support students and alumni considering careers in research and scholarship, health, teaching, and other fields. Our programs and advisors encourage students to reflect on their knowledge, skills, experience, and strengths to determine the best path to their immediate and long-term goals. For more information, visit: pgpp.oue.gatech.edu.

Academic Coaching: provides students with the chance to work individually with professional staff members to enhance their academic skills, gain confidence, discover motivation, and improve performance. Students usually schedule a 45 to 60-minute meeting every two weeks or once a month, depending on their individual need. Academic Coaching is available year-round, free of charge, to all undergraduate students. For more information or to schedule an appointment, visit advising.gatech.edu.

Pre-Graduate helps you discover avenues for advanced study in all academic disciplines. If you believe an advanced degree or a career in research may be in your future, make an appointment to learn more about graduate study and how to pursue a master's or Ph.D.

Pre-Health provides you with resources and events to explore health careers and to navigate the professional school application process. Consult your pre-health advisor for informed support and to learn more about becoming a health professional through workshops, info sessions, weekly digests, & more

Pre-Teaching provides you with resources and opportunities to explore a career in K-12 education. Learn about your options for becoming a teacher directly after Tech, after a post-doc, or through a career change.

Prestigious Fellowships helps you identify and apply for nationally competitive scholarships such as Rhodes, Goldwater, and Fulbright. These merit-based financial awards support study and research in the U.S. and abroad. The application process is also a chance to reflect on your career goals and personal development.

Appointments: Come see us in the Center for Career Discovery and Development in the Bill Moore Student Success Center. To schedule a full appointment: advisor.gatech.edu.

Student Success Programs: includes the Success Summit, which is especially designed for students who want to make changes to improve their academic performance. This week-long self-paced Canvas-based program includes modules, online discussions, and panels focused on topics such as mindset, time management, designing your academic path, and learning strategies, and is offered at the beginning of each fall and spring semester. In addition to the Summit, on-demand Success Workshops are available on a variety of topics ranging from notetaking to managing academic stress. Student organizations may also request in-person workshops. Success Seminars are academic courses designed to support students experiencing academic difficulty such as academic probation or returning from dismissal. Information on all of these programs is available on the Undergraduate Advising & Transition website: advising.gatech.edu.

Exploratory Advising

Exploratory advising is designed to guide students through a reflective process to learn about and make decisions regarding their academic path at Tech, including their choice of major, minor, and certificates. The Exploratory Advisors work with students to clarify their skills, interests and values, and to make connections between academics & careers. Exploratory advising is for students who are undecided about their choice of major, considering changing their major, interested in multiple majors, or seeking to clarify their academic path. Visit our website to learn more: advising.gatech.edu/exploratory-advising.



ACADEMIC RESOURCES AT TECH

Undergraduate Research

The undergraduate research experience provides a chance to contribute to the advancement of knowledge, participate in collaborative environments, and engage in the application of disciplinary methods to address real-world challenges. At Georgia Tech, undergraduate research opportunities are available to all students in a variety of fields of study, with nearly half of students participating in research with faculty during their time at Tech. Students can start as early as their first semester or as late as their last semester. Read below for more information about undergraduate research programming at Georgia Tech and how to find research opportunities.

The Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)

At Georgia Tech, the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) makes it possible for you to begin participating in research now, regardless of your major. We offer the structure, resources, incentives, and encouragement you need to work hands-on with faculty, industry partners, and fellow students to explore today's challenges and unanswered questions. The projects you work on may change the world, and they will definitely change you, making you more appealing to employers or graduate schools and better prepared for opportunities that await – or that you create.

A few of the program offerings are:

President's Undergraduate Research Awards (PURA)

PURA offers \$1,500 salary awards to undergraduate researchers and travel grants of up to \$1,000 for students to present research at national & international conferences. PURA offers between 200-300 competitive awards per year.

Research Option (RO)

If you are looking for an even more substantive research experience to deepen your knowledge and broaden your career prospects or gain an edge in graduate school applications, you may want to take advantage of UROP's Research Option (RO). RO allows you to work one-on-one with a faculty mentor and can be completed as part of the standard four-year curriculum. Successful completion of the program will result in a Research Option designation on your transcript.

The Undergraduate Research Symposium

An annual conference held to provide students (300-400) with a professional setting to present their research and collaborate with other students conducting research.

There are many ways to find research at Georgia Tech. Students can find opportunities through their course professors, teaching assistants, academic advisors, fellow peers, research ambassadors, posted opportunities on departmental websites or meeting with UROP.

For more information, visit urop.gatech.edu.



Serve-Learn-Sustain

Serve-Learn-Sustain (SLS) is a campus-wide academic initiative working with all six colleges to offer students opportunities inside and outside the classroom to collaborate with diverse partners—across the community, non-profit, government, academic, and business sectors—on key sustainability challenges. Through SLS, students use the knowledge and skills they are acquiring at GT to help “create sustainable communities.”

SLS focuses on educating students through classroom, co-curricular, and real-world learning, on campus and off, to contribute to the task of “creating sustainable communities.” We work with faculty to teach sustainable communities-related courses and to collaborate with diverse partners in their research. We bring together those key partners—from government, community, nonprofit, academic, and business sectors—for joint learning, research and action.

In addition to a wide range of courses affiliated with our program, SLS also offers five signature programs: the Sustainable Cities Minor, the Innovating for Social Impact Program, our Summer Internship Program, our Events and Workshops series each semester, and RCE Greater Atlanta, a Regional Center of Expertise on Education for Sustainable Development, affiliated with the United Nations University. For more information, visit serve-learn-sustain.gatech.edu.

Georgia Tech Library

The Georgia Tech Library, since its earliest incarnation in the Carnegie building in 1907, has served the needs of our students, faculty and staff. It is open 24 hours a day during times when school is in session. In 2020, the library completed a six-year, multimillion dollar renovation and renewal called Library Next, which saw the majority of physical collections permanently moved to off-site cold storage in a facility maintained with Emory University. With the floors freed up, the Library was able to create innovative spaces and programs designed to meet the changing research and scholarship needs of today and the future. These include the first and second-floor Scholars Event Network, third-floor Multimedia Scholarship Commons, Data Visualization Studio and retroTECH Lab, fourth-floor Teaching Studio, sixth-floor Graduate Student Community and reading rooms throughout the buildings. The Georgia Tech Library features more than 1.8 million items in its circulating collection, including books, e-books, music and movies. About 30,000 volumes, including popular reading, the circulating science fiction collection, and the core collection, remain on campus at all times. The rest of the physical collections are housed at the Library Service Center in partnership with Emory, meaning students, faculty and staff have access to their multi-million volume collection, as well. This partnership continues to expand, so check the catalog regularly for new items. This library is primarily a digital-first organization. Our customers use online resources most heavily, averaging more than four million downloads a year from thousands of journals covering virtually every conceivable topic of scholarship. We also offer access to numerous news and government sources. For more information on what the library has to offer, visit library.gatech.edu.

Registrar

Located on the first floor of the historic Tech Tower, the Registrar's Office is Georgia Tech's primary resource for new and current students regarding registration, transcripts, curriculum information, degree requirements, transfer credit, privacy of student records, and other services provided to the campus community. We serve prospective and current students, alumni, parents, faculty and staff. Our office also assists Georgia Tech's Veterans Resource Center concerning veteran enrollment. Our website offers a variety of resources to help students electronically process requests and find information quickly. On our site you can find many forms that you may need moving forward in your college career, from tuition waivers to change of major declarations. You can also find Georgia Tech's academic calendar and tentative five-term institute calendar. The Registrar's Office also helps manage the student information portal, OSCAR, which can assist prospective and current students with common tasks. Students looking to transfer to Georgia Tech can find our transfer equivalencies tables to see what other college and universities' credits match our courses based on our catalog. OSCAR is also where students can find course descriptions and class schedules for each semester. Also accessible on our website is the online degree-audit system, DegreeWorks. Georgia Tech's information regarding privacy and student rights, including European Union General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR) can be found on the Registrar's Office website. We provide tutorials, forms, and privacy checklists to keep everyone informed of regulation requirements and updates. Our staff is available to assist new and current students with registration and banner issues. We have several online resources to help with common registration questions/issues such as error messages and time tickets. We also distribute honor cords at the Tech Tower before commencement every year. For more information, visit registrar.gatech.edu.



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INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Student Innovation Program

The Student Innovation (SI) program is focused on planning, managing, and coordinating new and existing student invention and entrepreneurship programs and competitions. The goal of the program is to help you go from an idea to a prototype to commercialization. As part of its efforts, SI oversees the marketing and outreach of programs to various stakeholders (students, faculty, staff, the K-12 community, and others); collaborates with on-campus and off-campus partners to ensure support and sustainability of programs; and coordinates events, workshops, meetings and other associated activities to assist students on their innovation & entrepreneurship paths.

InVenture Prize

One of the Student Innovation Program's signature opportunities is the InVenture Prize, the nation's largest undergraduate invention competition. Students can work independently or in teams throughout the fall to develop and present inventions which will be judged by experts. In the spring, competitors introduce their inventions in the preliminary round, and the judges' scores determine who will advance to the quick-pitch semifinal round. Six finalists are then selected to advance to the final round shown live on Georgia Public Broadcasting and streamed around the world. Undergraduate students participating in this competition receive prototype funding, coaching, and mentorship. They also compete for over \$35,000 in cash prizes, patent filings, and the opportunity to participate in CREATE-X Startup Launch. Since its inception, the success of the InVenture Prize has led to three companion programs and competitions: the K-12 InVenture Prize, the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) InVenture Prize, and the Georgia InVenture Prize. For more information, visit innovation.gatech.edu.



Ramblin' Wreck Parade

The Ramblin' Wreck Parade first originated with the Old Ford Race in 1929 and 1930. The Old Ford Race ran from Atlanta to Athens, a 70-mile sprint that marked one of the few times Tech students hurried into Athens. The Technique sponsored the first race in memoriam of Dean Ford's junked "Flying Flivver," which was the forerunner of the Ramblin' Wreck. However, in 1932, the administration deemed the Old Ford Race to be unsafe. This led Georgia Tech students to create the Ramblin' Wreck Parade in order to keep the tradition alive.

The Wreck Parade is held the Saturday morning of Homecoming and is the last event before the homecoming football game. The Ramblin' Wreck leads the parade that begins at McCamish Pavilion and ends at the intersection of Ferst and Fowler. The Wreck Parade originally consisted of two vehicle categories: Fixed Bodies and Classic Cars. Since 1932, the Wreck Parade has been an annual tradition, with the exception of 1942 and 1943, due to the gas shortages during World War II. In 1944, the parade was renewed and with it, a new category of vehicles was created: contraptions. Contraptions have to be human powered and is by far the most interesting and favorite among students. It challenges their engineering ability and tests their creativity. Nowadays, students can enter any of the three categories, so expect to see lots of classic cars, unbelievable fixed bodies, and interesting, self-powered contraptions designed by fellow students.

Mini 500

The Mini 500 is an annual tricycle race around Peters Parking Deck that occurs on the Friday afternoon before the homecoming football game. It is one of Georgia Tech's most unique traditions put on by Ramblin' Reck Club since 1969. Teams are comprised of seven members: 4 to take turns as the driver and three on the pit crew. Each team is required to rotate the front tire of their tricycle three times throughout the course of the race. All teams try to complete 8 laps without destroying their tricycle. Some teams utilize their engineering skill set, as necessary (but restricted) reinforcement of the tricycle is imperative to a team's success. The Mini 500 is without a doubt one of the most entertaining events of Homecoming week and is definitely something you won't want to miss.





Clean, Old-Fashioned Hate

There aren't a whole lot of similarities between Georgia Tech and the University of Georgia. One is in the heart of one of the biggest cities in the country, while the other is located in your quintessential college town. One is primarily an engineering and research institution, while the other focuses more on the liberal arts. All this being said, perhaps the only thing these schools can agree upon is what author Bill Cromartie described as being "Clean, Old-Fashioned Hate."

The first football game between these two rivals took place on November 4, 1893 in Athens. The game was won by Georgia Tech 28-6 and forever left a mark on the rivalry between the schools both on and off the field. During that November game day over 120 years ago, many of the Georgia fans harassed Tech fans in the stands which prompted the creation of our famous fight song "Ramblin' Wreck from Georgia Tech." Speaking of fight songs, Georgia and Tech hate each other so much that the fans of both schools actually have incorporated it into their respective fight songs. Georgia fans sing, "Glory, Glory to 'ole Georgia and to Hell with Georgia Tech!" while Tech fans sing, "If I had a son sir, I'll tell you what he'd do, he would yell To Hell with Georgia! Like his daddy used to do!"

"ALMA MATER" LYRICS

*Oh sons of Tech arise behold
The banner as it reigns supreme
For from on high the White and Gold
Waves in its triumphant gleam,
The spirit of the cheering Throng
Resounds with joy revealing
A brotherhood in praise and song
In memory of the days gone by
Oh, Scion of the Southland
In our hearts you shall forever fly!
We cherish thoughts so dear for three
Oh Alma Mater in our pray'r
We plead for you in victory
And in the victory we share,
But when the battle seems in vain
Our spirit never falters
We're ever one in joy and pain
And our union is a lasting bond;
Oh may we be united
Till the victory of life is won!*

LET'S GO JACKETS

Georgia Tech Lingo and Acronyms

- AE** — Aerospace Engineering, Daniel Guggenheim School of
- ATDC** — Advanced Technology Development Center
- BME** — Biomedical Engineering, Wallace H. Coulter Department of
- Buzz** — Campus mascot (a yellow jacket; not a bee)
- Burger Bowl** — Large green space adjacent to the Campus Recreation Center's Roe Stamps Fields
- CATEA** — Center For Assistive Technology & Environmental Access
- CC** — Center Center
- CEISMC** — Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics, and Computing
- CE (or CEE)** — School of Civil and Environmental Engineering
- CETL** — Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning
- CHBE** (or **CHEM E**) — School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering
- CM** — Computational Media
- COC** — College of Computing
- COD** — College of Design
- COE** — College of Engineering
- COS** — College of Sciences
- Co-op** — The Cooperative plan in which students work and attend classes on alternating semesters
- CRC** — Campus Recreation Center
- CS** — Computer Science, School of
- CSE** (or **CMPE**) — Computational Science and Engineering, School of
- EAS** — Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, School of
- ECE** — Electrical and Computer Engineering, School of
- FASET** — Familiarization and Adaptation to the Surroundings and Environs of Tech (Incoming student orientation program)
- Flag Building** — Officially the Charles A. Smithgall Jr. Student Services Building
- GRA** — Georgia Research Alliance
- GTAA** — Georgia Tech Athletics Association or Georgia Tech Alumni Association
- GTAB** — Georgia Tech Advisory Board
- GTCN** — Georgia Tech Cable Network
- GTF** — Georgia Tech Foundation
- GTISC** — Georgia Tech Information Security Center
- GTL/GT-Lorraine** — Georgia Tech's campus in Metz, France
- GTMI** — Georgia Tech Manufacturing Institute (located in the Fuller E. Callaway Jr. Research Building)
- GTRC** — Georgia Tech Research Corporation
- GTRI** — Georgia Tech Research Institute
- HTS** — History, Technology, and Society, School of
- The "Hill"** — The historic area of campus where the offices of senior Institute administrators are located
- IAC** — Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts
- IBB** (or **"IB squared"**) — Parker H. Petit Institute for Bioengineering and Biosciences
- IC** — Interactive Computing, School of
- ILE** — Institute for Leadership and Entrepreneurship
- INTA** — International Affairs, Sam Nunn School of
- PaT** — Institute for People and Technology
- IRI** — Interdisciplinary Research Institute (there are 12 on campus)
- IRP** — Institutional Research and Planning

Georgia Tech Lingo and Acronyms

- ISYE** — Industrial and Systems Engineering, H. Milton Stewart School of
- LMC** — Literature, Media, and Communication, School of
- ME** — Mechanical Engineering, George W. Woodruff School of
- MIRC** — Microelectronics Research Center
- MRDC** — Manufacturing Related Disciplines Center
- MSE** — Materials Science and Engineering, School of
- NAA** — North Avenue Apartments and Dining Hall
- 'Nique** — See “Technique,” below
- OHR** — Office of Human Resources
- OIE** — Office of International Education
- OIT** — Office of Information Technology
- OMED** — Office of Minority Educational Development
- OMS-Analytics** — Online Master of Science in Analytics
- OMSCS** — Online Master of Science in Computer Science
- OSP** — Office of Sponsored Programs
- PCS** — Printing and Copying Services
- PSP** — President’s Scholarship Program
- Ramblin’ Wreck** — 1930 Model A Ford car that serves as a school symbol; the student body is also called the Ramblin’ Wrecks from Georgia Tech
- RATS** — First Year Students (Recently Acquired Tech Students/Recruit At Tech)
- ResNet** — Network, television and telephone support for the Department of Housing
- RHA** — Residence Hall Association
- SAC** — Stamps Athletic Complex
- Scheller** — Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business
- SEI** — Strategic Energy Institute
- SGA** — Student Government Association
- Stinger** — GT’s transit system
- SPP** — School of Public Policy
- T&M** — The Steven A. Denning Technology & Management Program
- Team Buzz** — Tech’s annual campus-wide community volunteer initiative
- Tech Green** — Large green space adjacent to the Richard C. Kessler Campanile, near the Fred B. Wenn Student Center
- Technique** — Student newspaper
- Technology Square** or **Tech Square** — Area of campus east of the Downtown Connector that includes the Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Georgia Tech Hotel, Global Learning and Conference Center, and several restaurants
- “What’s The Good Word”** — To Hell With georgia!
- THWg** — To Hell With georgia!
- TSRB** — Technology Square Research Building
- The Whistle** — The steam whistle that marks five minutes before each hour
- WLC** — Women’s Leadership Conference
- WRC** — Women’s Resource Center
- WREK** — Campus student-run radio station
- Yellow Jackets** — Name of all sports teams

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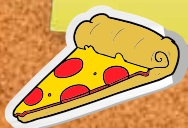
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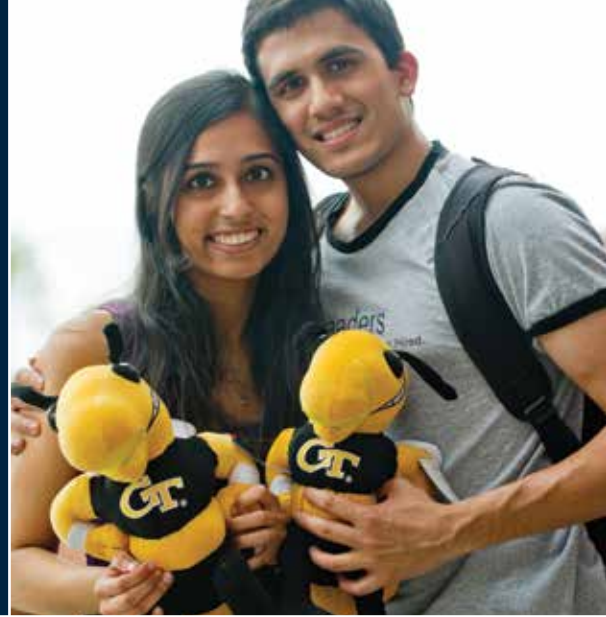
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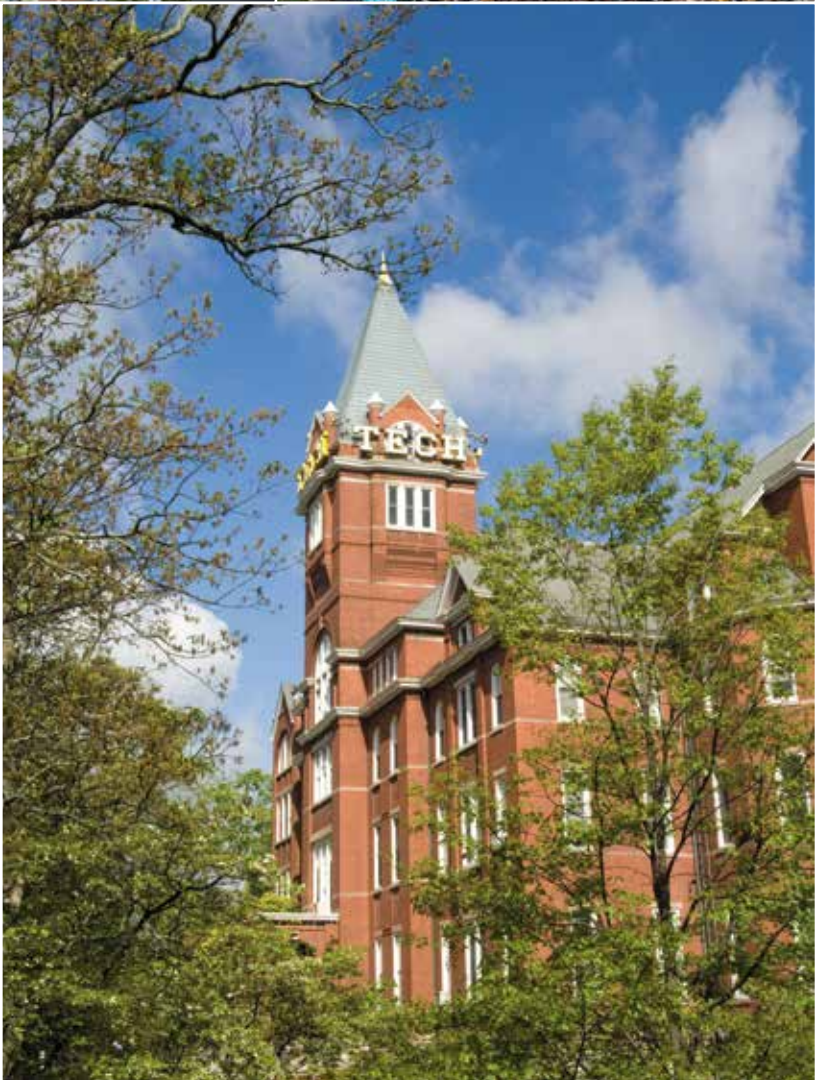


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