



Georgia Tech

Academic Advisors Network

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GTAAN UPDATES

Meet Your Executive Board!

President: Adrienne Hillman, CHBE

VP of Operations & Assessment: Ashlee Toomey-Flinn, OIE

VP of Communications: Sudie Davis, ISyE

VP of Engagement: VACANT

VP of Training & Development: Amanda Blocker, LMC

****For more information on the Executive Board, please visit our website!****

GTAAN Newsletter Submission Guidelines

In order to streamline GTAAN newsletter submissions, we are reviving the guidelines and instructions for submitting items.

- Please provide us with a PDF or image if possible.
- If no PDF or image, please keep your submission to 150 words or less.
- Provide us with website links or documents that we can link to if applicable.
- Expiration date. If no date provided, your item will run in two newsletters max.
- Please make sure you use the submission form. Do not email the GTAAN email address directly **GTAAN Submission Form**
- Have all submissions sent in by Wednesday (the day before) at 4pm

Also, please make sure you're checking your spam folders for GTAAN newsletters. We have had individuals mention that the last few newsletters have gone to their spam, so please mark our address as safe!

Please be patience with us as we learning a new newsletter creation system and trying out new things and layouts--some things might not look like they did before! We are a work in progress and we appreciate your patience!

Questions? Email Sudie Davis, VP of Communications at gtaan@gatech.edu.

GTAAN Submission Website

Best Practices Conference 2025 - Registration is OPEN!

You can now register for the 2025 GTAAN Best Practices Conference via Campus Tickets:

<https://gatech.universitytickets.com/w/> In the search bar, start typing GTAAN. The conference should auto populate to take you to the right event. Our theme this year is: "The Art of Advising - Communication Strategies That Inspire Action".

As a reminder, the date for this conference is **Monday, May 19th from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm at Georgia Tech's Academy of Medicine**. Here is the price breakdown:

Early Bird Rates - Register by 3/24

GT staff/faculty: \$55

Non-GT staff/faculty: \$75

Regular Rates - Register from 3/25 to 4/25

GT staff/faculty: \$65

Non-GT staff/faculty: \$85

**** You will have until April 25th to register for the conference - no late registrations will be processed ****

Please note the acceptable forms of payment:

GT staff/faculty: Personal credit card only. You can submit for reimbursement if your department covers this fee.

Non-GT staff/faculty: Personal credit card or your department's approved PCard.

Registration will also include continental breakfast, lunch, and snacks. Coffee/tea will be available at breakfast. Please note, parking *will* be covered for non-GT attendees. Parking will be NOT be covered for Georgia Tech attendees, so please plan accordingly.

Are you interested in presenting? If so, please submit a proposal by March 3rd by completing this survey.

If you have any questions, please email gtaan@gatech.edu. We hope to see you there.



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2025 GTAAN Best Practices Conference

THE ART OF ADVISING

Communication Strategies That Inspire Action

Best Practices Website

Submit nominations for Advisor Spotlight!

Do you or someone you know deserve to have the spotlight on them? Submit nominations for Advisor Spotlight! Beginning with the next newsletter, we will spotlight one advisor a month! Email gtaan@gatech.edu with questions or nominations!

To read up on past spotlights, visit [Advisor Spotlight | GTAAN](#)

GTAAN MEETING AND CONNECTION DATES

All meetings are held from 11am-12pm in Clough Lounge 211 unless otherwise stated.

Spring 2025 GTAAN & GTAAN Connections Dates

- GTAAN January Meeting: Jan. 16 from 11am-12pm in Clough #211 or [via Zoom](#)
 - This meeting will feature Brian Garsh. The Undergraduate Transition Seminars Curriculum & Assessment Committee is reviewing the curriculum of GT 2000 Transfer Student Seminar and looking for input from stakeholders about common issues and challenges that transfer students face. We heard from transfer students in the fall semester and would like to hear from academic advisors at the January GTAAN meeting. Please come share your experiences and perspective with us during this focus group discussion.
- GTAAN Connections: Jan. 28 from 12-1pm
 - This meeting will feature Sudie Davis who will go through all things NACADA--conferences, leadership, etc.
- GTAAN February Meeting: Feb. 13 from 11am-12pm in Clough #211 or [via Zoom](#)
 - This meeting will feature Jamileh Harris who will be talking about employee benefits TAP (Tuition Assistance Program)/STRAP (Staff Tuition Reimbursement Assistance Program). Information about important guidelines and deadlines will also be addressed. Please attend if you have ever used this program, are currently enrolled, or are interested in learning more!
 - We'll also be hearing from Chad Sliepder, Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Faculty-Co Director. He will share about the 2025 QEP and recent updates. The 2025 QEP: Leaders in Progress and Service--will deliver a program, available to all undergraduates, and is intentionally designed for transformative impact. It will prepare students to exemplify the leaders envisioned in GT's mission and motto.
- GTAAN Connections: Feb. 25 from 12-1pm in Clough #211
- GTAAN March Meeting: Mar. 13 from 11am-12pm in Clough #211 or [via Zoom](#)
 - Please join us for updates from Director of International Student and Scholar Services, Tina Rousselot de Saint Ceran about updates regarding our international student and scholars.
 - We'll also be joined by the Registrar's Office, Crystal Elster and Ansley Sharp with crucial information regarding transfer and incoming first year students, and the new Assistant Director of New Student and Transition Programs, James Allen who will speak about the upcoming FASET season.
- GTAAN April Meeting: Apr. 3 at 11am in Clough #211 or via Zoom.
 - Please join us to hear from our Exploratory Advising Team: Emmie Cass, Devoni Williams, and Nicole Leonard. This meeting is especially for those advisors in charge of change of major processes for their department. Time will be provided for each major to share their own process to the group.

[GTAAN Zoom Link](#)

[GTAAN Meetings Website](#)

ADVISING & ADVISOR RESOURCES

Industrial Design Minor Onboarding Process

Students from across campus can complete an industrial design minor to strengthen their skills and understanding of creative problem solving as it relates to design. The ID minor provides an introduction to basic competency in sketching and visualization, an understanding of design methods and human factors, and a chance to apply this knowledge to a practical design studio problem.

Before submitting the Change of Minor form, students are required to read all the modules of the Industrial Design Minor canvas group. The reading can be done at their convenience, but on average, it takes about an hour to complete. Students can self-enroll in the Canvas course

[ID Minor Canvas Page](#)

ISyE Change of Major Process

ISyE has a process all students must follow in order to change their major, based on if they are a first-year student or a non-first year student/transfer. Steps are outlined on our change of major website. All students must attend a change of major meeting before beginning the change of major process. Any questions? Email Sudie Davis at sudie.p.davis@isye.gatech.edu

ISyE Change of Major Meeting Dates

- February 11, 2025 11am
- March 11, 2025 11am
- April 8, 2025 11am

ISyE Change of Major Website

CM Change of Major Meetings Spring 2025

The CM Change of Major meetings for Spring 2025 have been set. All are at 11 am on Thursdays via Microsoft Teams.

February 13th, 2025

March 13th, 2025

April 10th, 2025

April 24th, 2025

Please share the link [here](#) if you have any CS or LMC students interested. Students can sign up via a Qualtrics survey at the bottom of the page.

UPCOMING DEADLINES & EVENTS

Spring Commencement Schedule

CEREMONY DETAILS

Thursday, May 1

Ph.D. Commencement, McCamish Pavilion

5-6:30 p.m.

Doors open at 4 p.m.

Friday, May 2

Bachelor’s Morning Commencement, McCamish Pavilion

9-11:30 a.m.

Doors open at 8 a.m.

Featuring College of Computing, Scheller College of Business, and College of Sciences

Bachelor’s Afternoon Commencement, McCamish Pavilion

3-5:30 p.m.

Doors open at 2 p.m.

Featuring Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts, College of Design, and College of Engineering

Saturday, May 3

Master’s Commencement, Bobby Dodd Stadium

9-10:15 a.m.

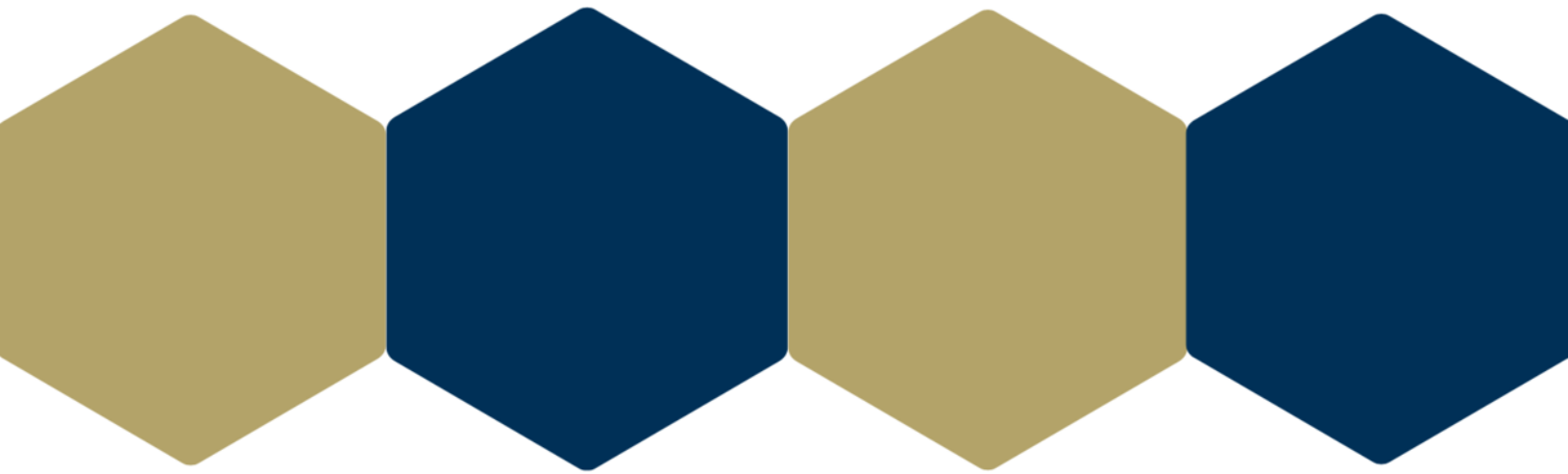
Doors open at 8 a.m.

*College ceremonies will take place after the Institute ceremony at various times and locations on campus. View the full list of ceremonies at commencement.gatech.edu/schedule

Spring 2025 Institute Event Dates



Fulbright Information Session - IEA Award for Faculty and Staff



Fulbright Information Session - IEA Award for Faculty and Staff

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

12-1:15pm

Student Center - Peachtree Room

**This will be a Fulbright information session
for staff and faculty to take advantage of
international experiences offered by the
Fulbright IEA award.**



Fulbright



Office of
International Education

Please RSVP by March 4th

RSVP

Fulbright International Education Administrators Awards Website

Pre-Graduate Advising: Vanderbilt University Grad School and Summer Internships in Engineering Info Session

CONSIDERING GRADUATE SCHOOL OR SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAMS IN ENGINEERING?



INFORMATION SESSION

Vanderbilt University is ranked among the top 18 universities in the country. Fast track your career with our Master's of Engineering, Master's of Science or PhD programs in our School of Engineering. Choose from either a professional degree to boost your expertise in engineering industry or a research focused program. Full funding is available for our PhD programs and some funding is available for our Master's and summer research programs. Join our Assistant Dean, Gabriel Luis, to learn more about these opportunities.

Date: February 7, 2025

Time: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm EST

Location: Clough 211, Georgia Tech

Please RSVP by clicking [here](https://apply.vanderbilt.edu/register/gt) or scan QR code: <https://apply.vanderbilt.edu/register/gt>

Food and beverages provided

Email: gradengineering@vanderbilt.edu

For more information: <https://engineering.vanderbilt.edu/graduate-admissions/>

VANDERBILT ENGINEERING PROGRAMS

Biomedical Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Construction Management
Environmental Engineering
Computer Science
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Interdisciplinary Materials Science
Mechanical Engineering
Cyber-Physical Systems
Risk, Reliability and Resilience
Engineering Management
Engineering in Surgery and Intervention



<https://engineering.vanderbilt.edu/>



VANDERBILT
School of Engineering

Meet with a recruiter from Vanderbilt's College of Engineering to learn about master's and PhD programs as well as summer research opportunities.

Please RSVP at <https://apply.vanderbilt.edu/register/gt> Questions for Pre-Graduate Advising: Dr. Susan Belmonte, sbelmonte@gatech.edu

Exploratory Advising Ambassador Program Applications Open

Our ambassador program is a volunteer professional development opportunity for students to learn more about Exploratory Advising, refine their communication and interpersonal skills, and gain experience throughout their academic career. Students can scan the QR code to apply!

ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND ADVISING OFFERS

EXPLORATORY ADVISING AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

APPLICATIONS OPEN

Our ambassador program is a volunteer professional development opportunity for students to learn more about Exploratory Advising, refine their communication and interpersonal skills, and gain experience throughout their academic career.

For more information:
email expa@gatech.edu
or scan the QR code:



Deadline for applications: February 11th

Career Coaching Network Train the Trainer Sessions

The Career Center is excited to offer three opportunities to participate in the Career Coaching Network Train-the-Trainer sessions this academic year. These interactive trainings are designed to equip faculty and staff with practical tools and strategies to effectively support students with common career-related questions and concerns.

- · Wed, Feb. 12, 1-3:30pm, Bill Moore SSC Basement Hayes Conference Room **OR** Virtual - [Register HERE](#)
- Tues, Mar. 18, 1-3:30pm, Bill Moore SSC Basement Hayes Conference Room **OR** Virtual - [Register HERE](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Garcia, Director of Undergraduate Career Education at the Georgia Tech Career Center, at laura.garcia@gatech.edu. Thank you in advance for your consideration and for sharing this invitation with any colleagues who may be interested in participating.

GT 1000 & GT 2000 Team Leader Applications are live!

Apply to be a GT 1000 or GT 2000 Team Leader! Team Leaders support the transition of incoming first-year and transfer students to Georgia Tech through mentorship and experience while co-leading with staff and faculty from across campus. Develop transferable skills for future professional opportunities and share your knowledge about Georgia Tech culture and resources.

Please follow the link here to complete your application by Sunday, February 25:
https://gatech.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0STEAGEMz9Khh8. If you have any questions concerning becoming a Team Leader or the Undergraduate Transition Seminars program, please send them to jacquee.williams@gatech.edu.



Lead the Transition

Become a GT 1000 or GT 2000 Team Leader

To learn more visit:
transitionseminars.oue.gatech.edu





GT1000 & GT2000
Transition Seminars

Info Sessions:
Sunday & Thursday
1/16, 19, 23, 26, 2/1, 6
6:30-7:00PM
gatech.zoom.us/my/eschu



PSYC 3000 – Stress, Anxiety and Happiness in Ischia, Italy

Program Highlights

- Thermal Baths, hiking & yoga
- Cooking class, pasta & mozzarella visit
- Excursions to Capri, Sorrento, Amalfi, Positano
- Guided tour of Pompei

Price Includes:

- ✓ Hotel accommodations w/breakfast
- ✓ Activities & excursions
- ✓ In-country transportation
- ✓ Some meals

Program Dates:

June 3 - 17, 2025

Deadline:

February 1, 2025

Program fee
\$3,363





Building Construction Study Abroad Summer 2025

This course aims at immersing students for four weeks in South Korea to study local construction and real estate development methods and practices. In addition, guests from local construction and real estate development organizations will provide students with insights on the technological innovations being applied in the local industry. Site visits to local projects and companies will reinforce the concepts discussed on class. Students will also gain a unique perspective of the culture of South Korea through visits to sites of cultural relevance to the development of the country.

South Korea '25

BC4900/8900:
Technology applications in the lifecycle of international real estate and construction projects

6 Credits

Graduate and Undergraduate students welcome!



Georgia Tech College of Design
School of Building Construction



International Construction and Real Estate Development in Asia

Program Dates: May 26 to June 27

Site of the 1988 Summer Olympic Games and the 2018 Winter Olympic Games, South Korea is a country in Asia which has experienced important economic and social development. As many countries struggle with housing and other infrastructure needs, South Korea continues to make progress in real estate development.

This course aims at immersing students for four weeks in South Korea to study local construction and real estate development methods and practices. In addition, guests from local construction and real estate development organizations will provide students with insights on the technological innovations being applied in the local industry. Site visits to local projects and companies will reinforce the concepts discussed on class. Students will also gain a unique perspective of the culture of South Korea through visits to sites of cultural relevance to the development of the country.

Program fee: \$5500

Includes housing and insurance. This fee does not include tuition**, airfare, some meals. Also it does NOT include extra travel and incidental expenses.

For information, contact Prof. Javier Irizarry
javier.irizarry@gatech.edu



APPLY NOW!



Oxford Summer Program Now Enrolling!

OXFORD SUMMER PROGRAM

The Oxford Summer Program offers students an unparalleled 12-week study abroad experience, combining academics with immersive cultural exploration.

Students gain global perspectives while earning 12 credits, making lifelong memories, and traveling across the UK and Europe.



2025 DATES

Atlanta Portion
May 19-27

Travel Portion
May 28 - June 28

Oxford Portion
June 29 - August 10

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 oxford@oie.gatech.edu

 oxford.gatech.edu

 atlas.gatech.edu

ISyE SUMMER SCHOLARS PROGRAM



A 10-week summer program in which talented undergraduate students conduct independent research under the direction of an ISyE faculty mentor.

**APPLICATION OPENS:
FEBRUARY 2025**

For more information, contact:
ug-research@isye.gatech.edu



Eligibility:

- Located in the Atlanta area for Summer 2025
- Rising juniors and seniors majoring in engineering, math, science, computing, or a related field

More Details:

- 20 hours per week commitment
- \$3,000 stipend
- Participants are responsible for housing, transportation, and meals



Georgia Tech College of Engineering

**H. Milton Stewart School of
Industrial and Systems Engineering**

Undergraduate Research Resources

From the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) UROP encourages academic advisors to subscribe to the UROP newsletter to stay up-to-date with undergraduate research information, events, and resources. We send the newsletter every other Thursday during the academic year, and we promise not to spam you! Please see the link for the newsletter sign-up.

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