

REMARKS BY GEORGIA TECH PRESIDENT G WAYNE CLOUGH  
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Saw some of you in Charlotte 3 ½ weeks ago: Campaign success!

Exciting time at GT:

- Students:
  - Aerospace Engineering senior Karen Feigh is Georgia Tech's 3<sup>rd</sup> Marshall Scholar (first in recent history)
  - Physics senior Will Roper is Tech's 5<sup>th</sup> Truman Scholar in 6 years
  - Largest commencement in Georgia Tech history on May 5: 1,580 degrees
  - 1<sup>st</sup> year retention up to 90 percent; will restrict size of freshman class
  - May 1<sup>st</sup> deposit deadline: 2260 freshmen w/ average SAT of 1337. (Will drop a little bit on both numbers over the summer).
  - Non-Georgia deposits rose despite significant tuition increase.
  - Georgia Tech Regional Engineering Program stronger than expected; new campus funded.
  - *Blueprint* wins Columbia Scholastic Press Association Gold Crown Award; one of six awards from 432 entries nationwide
- Faculty:
  - Jean-Lou Chameau is new provost; now searching for dean of engineering, Narl Davidson is interim.
  - 12 official NSF CAREER awards so far this year; 58 total
  - Bruce Ellingwood elected to National Academy of Engineering, NAE member
  - Bill Koros comes to Georgia Tech. The bring Georgia Tech's total NAE membership to 21
  - New record for sponsored research of \$304.6 million.
- Athletics:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive bowl game
  - Back in the NCAA tournament; Hewitt ACC coach of year
  - Baseball, golf, men's tennis, men's swimming, women's track all top 25
  - Baseball to NCAA tournament 16<sup>th</sup> time in last 17 years (beat by NC State)
  - Golf team to NCAA tournament beginning next week
  - Atlanta Beat now plays at Grant Field
- Facilities:
  - Ford Motor Company Environmental Science and Technology Building under construction
  - Chris Klaus Advanced Computing Building: design funds in state budget
  - Student Athletic Complex expansion: contract signed; fall ground-breaking

- Technology Square: site prep this summer, fall ground-breaking
- Planning: Biomedical engineering building, stadia