

## GOAL-DRIVEN GRADUATES



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As Commencement approaches, learn more about some of the students (including some Tech employees) who will earn degrees this month. (Clockwise from top left): Jerry Lin, biomedical engineering major; Milton James, industrial and systems engineering major; Heather Johnston, public policy major; Ashley Riggs, events coordinator for Institute Diversity. Read their stories at [c.gatech.edu/commencement](http://c.gatech.edu/commencement).

## Employee Earns Her Regalia

MICHAEL HAGEARTY  
INSTITUTE COMMUNICATIONS

Graduating from college is typically a cause for celebration. Ashley Riggs was content to keep it low-key.

"I just wanted to quietly slide out with my degree," said the marketing and events coordinator for Institute Diversity. "But then I thought about my grandmother, my mother, and my daughter, and I decided it was too important [not to share the moment as a family]."

On Tuesday, May 9, grandmother Cecile, mother Natalie, aunt Khristine, and daughter Kylie will all get to see Riggs cross the stage at McCamish Pavilion to receive her undergraduate degree in political science from Georgia State University.

As the ceremony approaches, Riggs is feeling both pride and relief. After putting her college education on hold for more than a decade, completing her degree quiets a nagging voice in her psyche. Not having a college degree "was a

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## Cozzens to Retire After 19 Years at Tech

AMELIA PAVLIK  
GRADUATE EDUCATION AND FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

Her sense of equity and fairness — this is a quality that immediately comes to mind when former students and colleagues alike are asked what Susan Cozzens' greatest contribution to Georgia Tech has been.

"My favorite characteristic of Susan's is her commitment to fairness," says Kamau Bobb, a former Ph.D. student who worked with Cozzens and is now a program officer for the Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering at the National Science Foundation. "She has been able, across a long career, to keep fairness at the center not just of her person, but at the center of her research agenda. Her research portfolio is not pursuing knowledge for knowledge sake, but in the service of fairness."

After 19 years of service to Tech, Cozzens, vice provost for Graduate Education and Faculty Development (VPGEFD), will retire on June 30.

"I'm really looking forward to going back to just research and writing," Cozzens said. "My field is innovation studies, and it seems like a good moment to focus in on studying how innovation in affluent economies can produce good jobs for individuals."

Cozzens started her career at Tech as chair of Public Policy, which she points out is "the best science and technology policy program in the country." In 2012, Rafael L. Bras, provost and executive vice president for Academic Affairs, selected Cozzens to be Tech's first VPGEFD.

"Susan was a proven advocate and steady voice for faculty and graduate students long before she became the vice provost," Bras said. "As a long-time member of the faculty and doctoral student advisor, she understood their unique concerns and saw the great potential for growth in graduate

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Susan Cozzens, vice provost for Graduate Education and Faculty Development, speaks at Tech's Commencement in December 2015.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Discounted Atlanta United Tickets Available

Georgia Tech will host several more matches for Atlanta's new Major League Soccer club this summer at Bobby Dodd Stadium. A schedule of matches and ticket information is available at:

[c.gatech.edu/atlutd](http://c.gatech.edu/atlutd)



### Nominations Open for Diversity Champions

The Diversity Champion Awards recognize faculty, staff, students, and units who significantly demonstrate a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion within the Georgia Tech community. Nominations close Friday, May 26.

[c.gatech.edu/diversitychamps](http://c.gatech.edu/diversitychamps)



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EVENTS

COMMENCEMENT

May 5

The Ph.D. Hooding ceremony takes place from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at McCamish Pavilion. Graduates are required to RSVP.

The President's Graduation Celebration takes place from 3 to 5 p.m. on the Tech Tower Lawn.

The master's and Ph.D. ceremony takes place from 7 to 9 p.m. at McCamish Pavilion.

May 6

The bachelor's morning ceremony takes place from 9 a.m. to noon at McCamish Pavilion.

The bachelor's afternoon ceremony takes place from 3 to 5:30 p.m. at McCamish Pavilion.

Tickets are required for all ceremonies. See more information at [commencement.gatech.edu](http://commencement.gatech.edu).

HEALTH & WELLNESS

May 3

Human Resources hosts a Be Well session on Caring for Aging Parents, from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 320, Student Center. Register at: [ohr.gatech.edu/bewell](http://ohr.gatech.edu/bewell)

May 10

The Well-Being Health Fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Campus Recreation Center and Stamps Health Services. Vendors from on campus and the Atlanta area will provide information about their programs and services. [hwb.gatech.edu](http://hwb.gatech.edu)

May 11

The President's Campus Walk will take place from 4 to 5 p.m., starting at the Campus Recreation Center. [hwb.gatech.edu](http://hwb.gatech.edu)

SEMINARS & LECTURES

May 9

Asbestos Awareness will cover background information on asbestos, health effects, worker protection, and operations and maintenance practices on Tech's campus. The class takes place from 9 to 11 a.m. in Room 1133, Mason Building. A second class takes place May 11 from 3 to 5 p.m. in Room 123, East Architecture Building. Register at: [training.osp.gatech.edu](http://training.osp.gatech.edu)

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2017 FACULTY AND STAFF HONORS RECIPIENTS

Congratulations go out to the following members of the Tech community who were honored at the Faculty and Staff Honors Luncheon on Friday, April 21. See photos at [flickr.com/georgiatech](https://www.flickr.com/photos/georgiatech/).

Georgia Tech Chapter Sigma Xi Awards

**BEST FACULTY PAPER AWARDS**  
**Raquel L. Lieberman**  
*Associate Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry*

**Zhiquin Lin**  
*Professor, Materials Science and Engineering*

**YOUNG FACULTY AWARDS**  
**Omer T. Inan**  
*Assistant Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**Ryan P. Lively**  
*Assistant Professor, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering*

**SUSTAINED RESEARCH AWARD**  
**William J. Koros**  
*Professor, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering*

Institute Research Awards

**OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH ENTERPRISE ENHANCEMENT AWARD**  
**Stephen R. Edwards**  
*Assistant Director of Financial Operations, Materials Science and Engineering*

**OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH INNOVATION AWARD**  
**Deepak M. Divan**  
*Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**OUTSTANDING DOCTORAL THESIS ADVISOR AWARD**  
**Godfried L. Augenboe**  
*Professor, Architecture*

**OUTSTANDING FACULTY RESEARCH AUTHOR AWARD**  
**Younan Xia**  
*Professor, Brock Family Chair, GRA Eminent Scholar in Nanomedicine, Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering, with joint appointments in Chemistry and Biochemistry, and Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering*

**OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AWARD**  
**Flexible Electronics Ecosystem — A Research, Development, Education, and Product Transition Program**

**Suresh K. Sitaraman**  
*Morris M. Bryan Jr. Professor, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering, Team Leader*

**Muhannad S. Bakir**  
*Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**Samuel Graham Jr.**  
*Associate Chair and Rae S. and Frank H. Neely Professor, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering*

**Peter J. Hesketh**  
*Professor, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering*

**Madhavan Swaminathan**  
*John Pippin Chair in Microsystems Packaging and Electromagnetics, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**Manos M. Tentzeris**  
*Ken Byers Professor in Flexible Electronics, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**Chuck Zhang**  
*Professor, H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering*

ANAK Award

**Mary Lynn Realff**  
*Associate Professor and the Associate Chair for Undergraduate Programs in the School of Materials Science and Engineering*

CTL Awards

**CTL/BP JUNIOR FACULTY TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS**  
**Nassim JafariNaimi**  
*Assistant Professor, Literature, Media, and Communication*

**Jenna Jordan**  
*Assistant Professor, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs*

**Taesoo Kim**  
*Assistant Professor, Computer Science*

**Mark D. Losego**  
*Assistant Professor, Materials Science and Engineering*

**O. Cem Ozturk**  
*Assistant Professor, Scheller College of Business*

**Susan N. Thomas**  
*Assistant Professor, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering*

**UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATOR AWARD**  
**Mary E. Peek**  
*Senior Academic Professional, Chemistry and Biochemistry*

**Amy V. D'Unger**  
*Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies, History and Sociology*

**CURRICULUM INNOVATION AWARD**  
**Joe Le Doux**  
*Associate Chair for Undergraduate Learning and Experience, Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering*

**INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE IN LABORATORY INSTRUCTION AWARD**  
**S. Balakrishna Pai**  
*Academic Professional, Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering*

**INNOVATION IN CO-CURRICULAR EDUCATION AWARD**  
**Jillann Hertel**  
*Academic Professional, Literature, Media, and Communication*

**FACULTY AWARD FOR ACADEMIC OUTREACH**  
**Manu O. Platt**  
*Associate Professor, Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering*

**Robert M. Nerem**  
*Professor Emeritus, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering*

**GEOFFREY G. EICHHOLZ FACULTY TEACHING AWARDS**  
**William J. Baron**  
*Senior Academic Professional, Chemistry and Biochemistry*

**Flavio H. Fenton**  
*Associate Professor, Physics*

Staff Performance Awards

**OUTSTANDING STAFF PERFORMANCE AWARDS**  
**Entrepreneurship Award**  
**Jennifer L. Wooley**  
*Director, Professional Master's Programs, Professional Education*

**Innovation Award**  
**Counseling Center Team, Division of Student Life**  
**Ruperto M. Perez**  
*Director*

**Andrew Adelman**  
*Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Mack Bowers**  
*Associate Director for Training, Licensed Psychologist*

**Jason P. Braun**  
*Peer Coaching Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Lacy K. Currie**  
*Suicide Prevention and Crisis Response Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Irene Daboin**  
*Pre-Doctoral Intern*

**Irene E. Dalton**  
*Assistant Director and Practicum Training Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Erin M. English**  
*Collegiate Recovery Program Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Janice E. Harewood**  
*International Student Services Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**LaRonda M. Hollis**  
*Clinical Case Manager II*

**Shervonda Horn**  
*Administrative Professional I*

**Tiffany M. Hughes-Troutman**  
*Director of Health Behavior, Health and Well-Being (formerly Assistant Director for Outreach and Wellness, Student Life)*

**Lisa A. Korey**  
*Assessment Services Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Julia F. Kronholz**  
*Pre-Doctoral Intern*

**Michelle M. Lyn**  
*Associate Director for Clinical Services, Licensed Psychologist*

**Lauren S. Marx**  
*Post-Doctoral Resident*

**Krystal L. Meares**  
*Graduate Student Services, Licensed Psychologist*

**Christina Owens**  
*Recovery Program Assistant*

**Matthew W. Seitz**  
*Pre-Doctoral Intern*

**Andy P. Smith**  
*Group Program Coordinator, Licensed Psychologist*

**Process Improvement Excellence Award**  
**Kelly E. Cross**  
*Assistant Director, Student Organizations, Division of Student Life*

**Service to the Community Award**  
**Sirocus Barnes**  
*Program Director, Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics, and Computing*

**Staff Leadership Award**  
**Chris Walker**  
*Assistant Director of Client Marketing II, Professional Education*

**OUTSTANDING MANAGEMENT IN ACTION AWARD**  
**Gerome Stephens**  
*Director of Student Engagement, Division of Student Life*

**ADMINISTRATIVE EXCELLENCE AWARD**  
**Petit Institute Team, Office of the Executive Vice President for Research**

**Angela H. Ayers**  
*Marketing Communications Manager*

**Karen L. Ethier**  
*Administrative Manager II*

**Colly O. Mitchell**  
*Events Manager*

**Andrea C. Soyland**  
*Associate Director, Executive Education Programs*

**Timothy P. Whelan**  
*Web Developer Senior*

**Michelle Wong**  
*Assistant Director, Business Operations*

Academic Advisor Awards

**OUTSTANDING GRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARD**  
**Lisa D. Redding**  
*Academic Program Coordinator for Bioinformatics and Quantitative Biosciences, Biological Sciences*

**OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING STAFF ADVISOR AWARD**  
**Lenna B. Applebee**  
*Academic Advisor, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering*

**OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD**  
**Shana C. Kerr**  
*Academic Professional, Biological Sciences*

International Initiatives Award

**STEVEN A. DENNING FACULTY AWARD FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT**  
**Ghassan AlRegib**  
*Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

Faculty Honors Committee Awards

**OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH MENTOR AWARDS**  
**Shatakshee Dhongde**  
*Assistant Professor, Economics*

**Flavio H. Fenton**  
*Associate Professor, Physics*

**Seung Soon Jang**  
*Associate Professor, Materials Science and Engineering*

**OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AWARD**  
**Myrtle Turner Harris**  
*Principal Research Scientist, Georgia Tech Research Institute, Electronic Systems Laboratory*

**CLASS OF 1934 OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD**  
**Mary Ann Weitnauer**  
*Senior Associate Chair, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**CLASS OF 1934 OUTSTANDING INTERDISCIPLINARY ACTIVITIES AWARD**  
**Pamela T. Bhatti**  
*Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**CLASS OF 1934 OUTSTANDING INNOVATIVE USE OF EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY AWARD**  
**Ashok K. Goel**  
*Professor, Interactive Computing*

**CLASS OF 1940 W. ROANE BEARD OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD**  
**Mark A. Davenport**  
*Assistant Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*

**CLASS OF 1940 W. HOWARD ECTOR OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD**  
**Andrew Zangwill**  
*Professor, Physics*

Class of 1934 Distinguished Professor Award

**Gary B. Schuster**  
*Regents Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry*

# SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

Faculty and staff members were recently honored for their years of loyal service to the Institute.

## 25 YEARS

<b>Joseph Blount</b> Information Technology	<b>David Collard</b> College of Sciences	<b>Thomas Fisher</b> Library	<b>Raymond Kangas</b> GTRI	<b>Wendy Newstetter</b> College of Engineering	<b>Stuart Romm</b> Architecture	<b>Francis Ulgado</b> College of Business
<b>Jay Bolter</b> Literature, Media, and Communication	<b>Jerrell Colvin</b> Facilities Management	<b>Steven French</b> College of Design	<b>David Leonard</b> Information Technology	<b>Spyros Pavlostathis</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering	<b>Janice Russell</b> Ivan Allen College	<b>Kathleen Vogt</b> EI²
<b>Peter Brecke</b> Ivan Allen College	<b>Edward Conrad</b> Physics	<b>Thomas Grice</b> Library	<b>Kenneth Little</b> Graduate Education and Faculty Development	<b>Frederick Pearsall</b> Architecture	<b>Rumiko Simonds</b> Modern Languages	<b>Brent Wagner</b> GTRI
<b>Elizabeth Bryant</b> Development	<b>W. Covington</b> Facilities Management	<b>Michelle Harden</b> Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering	<b>Charlie Mason</b> Facilities Management	<b>William Reese</b> Industrial and Systems Engineering	<b>Marc Smith</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>C. Wang</b> Mechanical Engineering
<b>Loretta Buchanan</b> Development	<b>Molly Croft</b> Development	<b>David Harris</b> GTRI	<b>Gary May</b> College of Engineering	<b>Anthony Richards</b> Parking and Transportation Services	<b>Terry Snell</b> Biological Sciences	<b>Loren Williams</b> Chemistry and Biochemistry
<b>Leonid Bunimovich</b> Mathematics	<b>Kenneth Cunefare</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Vivian Johnson</b> Petit Institute	<b>Suresh Menon</b> Aerospace Engineering	<b>Lori Sundal</b> Information Technology		<b>Pui-Kuen Yeung</b> Aerospace Engineering
<b>Wayne Cherry</b> Post Office	<b>Shawn Draughn</b> Housing	<b>Laurie Judd</b> Library	<b>Chalette Mitchell</b> Facilities Management	<b>Julie Ridings</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>Richard Tanner</b> Budget Planning and Administration	

## 10 YEARS

<b>DeKisha M. Aaron</b> Housing	<b>Randall Burke</b> Security and Police Department	<b>Louis Fertig</b> GTRI	<b>Haiying Huang</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering	<b>Scott Loyd</b> GTRI	<b>Zhigang Peng</b> Earth and Atmospheric Sciences	<b>Ingeborg Schmidt-Krey</b> Biological Sciences	<b>Yolanda Turner</b> Public Policy
<b>George Aguilar</b> GTRI	<b>David Calhoun</b> Facilities Management	<b>Matthew Frizzell</b> Library	<b>Jyldyz Ismailova-Hughes</b> Economics	<b>Jian Luo</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering	<b>Juanita Pettus</b> Security and Police Department	<b>Sandra Seay</b> Professional Education	<b>Delia Tyler</b> Modern Languages
<b>Randy Akin</b> Information Technology	<b>Ralph Carter</b> Facilities Management	<b>Leotis Gaines</b> Information Technology	<b>Marla Jackson</b> Bursar's Office	<b>John Majeroni</b> Administration and Finance	<b>Jens Pfaender</b> Aerospace Systems Design Lab	<b>Marsha Segraves</b> EI²	<b>Michael Underwood</b> Campus Transportation
<b>Tina Allen</b> Student Life	<b>Daniel Castro-Lacouture</b> Building Construction	<b>Jammie Gaines</b> Facilities Management	<b>Jeffrey Jacobs</b> Housing	<b>Bernardina Maldonado</b> Facilities Management	<b>Gregory Phillips</b> Enterprise Resource Planning	<b>Leslie Sharp</b> Graduate Education and Faculty Development	<b>Christine Valle</b> Engineering
<b>Kristen Anderson</b> Professional Education	<b>Clarence Charleswell</b> GTRI	<b>Mu Gao</b> Biological Sciences	<b>Corissa James</b> School of Music	<b>David Marder</b> Environmental Health and Safety	<b>Iye Sheriff</b> Facilities Management	<b>Luz Vela-Arevalo</b> Mathematics	<b>Santosh Vempala</b> Computer Science
<b>Rosa Arriaga</b> Interactive Computing	<b>Travis Chatman</b> GTRI	<b>Brian German</b> Aerospace Engineering	<b>Aaron Jaynes</b> GTRI	<b>Kevin Marks</b> Facilities Management	<b>Cheytoria Phillips</b> Housing	<b>Minoru Shinohara</b> Applied Physiology	<b>Barbara Villa</b> Budget Planning
<b>David Augcomfar</b> Security and Police Department	<b>Hang Chen</b> Institute for Electronics and Nanotechnology	<b>Maysam Ghovanloo</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>Jonathon Jeffries</b> Grants and Contracts Accounting	<b>Sadie Marshall</b> Aerospace Engineering	<b>Wendell Phinazee</b> Facilities Management	<b>Carsten Sievers</b> Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering	<b>Katherine Vineyard</b> Information Technology
<b>Gary Barkley</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Seung-Kyum Choi</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Daniel Goldman</b> Physics	<b>Rita Johnson</b> GTRI	<b>Valerie Mastrangelo</b> College of Business	<b>Olivier Pierron</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Derek Sneed</b> Information Technology	<b>Troy Walcott</b> Security and Police Department
<b>Glenn Barr</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>Dian Chung Hinkson</b> College of Sciences	<b>Ivey Gooding</b> Facilities Management	<b>Deidra Johnson</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Ian Mayberry</b> Security and Police Department	<b>Melissa Pilkington</b> Modern Languages	<b>Lisa Snyder</b> Business Services	<b>John Walsh</b> Public Policy
<b>Rahul Basole</b> Interactive Computing	<b>Kedrich Claiborne</b> Human Resources	<b>Jill Gostin</b> GTRI	<b>Lisa Jones</b> Information Technology	<b>James Mayor</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Elizabeth Plattenburg</b> EI²	<b>Leo Solomon</b> Parking and Transportation Services	<b>John Watkins</b> Professional Education
<b>Nazanin Bassiri-Gharb</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>James Cochran</b> Grants and Contracts Accounting	<b>Jonathan Graham</b> Facilities Management	<b>Nellie Jones</b> Undergraduate Admission	<b>Lauren McDow</b> College of Business	<b>Brenda Porter</b> Office of the Arts	<b>Xiaojuan Song</b> GTRI	<b>Howard Weiss</b> Mathematics
<b>Esfandiar Behravesht</b> Biomedical Engineering	<b>Kevin Cook</b> GTRI	<b>Gerry Green</b> Facilities Management	<b>Irving Jordan</b> Biological Sciences	<b>Joseph Meadows</b> Facilities Management	<b>Michael Proctor</b> Professional Education	<b>Gail Spatt</b> Executive Vice President for Research	<b>Lora Weiss</b> GTRI
<b>Kimberly Bell</b> Stamps Health Services	<b>Andrea Cooper</b> GTRI	<b>Amanda Grihm</b> Information Technology	<b>Patricia Jordan</b> Biomedical Engineering	<b>Wanda Purinton</b> Computing	<b>Laura Pusateri</b> Institute Communications	<b>Deborah Spillers</b> Stamps Health Services	<b>Joshua Weitz</b> Biological Sciences
<b>Alicia Benison</b> Development	<b>Michael Cox</b> Financial Services	<b>Angshuman Guin</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering	<b>Kpouso Karka</b> Facilities Management	<b>Melanie Megenity</b> Information Technology	<b>Wulin Qiu</b> Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering	<b>Lars Spuijbroek</b> Architecture	<b>James Welch</b> Information Technology
<b>Kimberly Benjamin</b> Petit Institute	<b>Sheila Cranman</b> Legal Affairs	<b>Monica Halka</b> Honors Program	<b>Wendy Kelly</b> Chemistry and Biochemistry	<b>Judith Minniefield</b> Facilities Management	<b>Eric Rader</b> GTRI	<b>Cedric Stallworth</b> Computing	<b>Howard Wertheimer</b> Capital Planning and Space Management
<b>Kenneth Bernard</b> Center for Advanced Communication Policy	<b>Carolyn Crump</b> Air Force ROTC	<b>James Harbour</b> Facilities Management	<b>Melissa Kemp</b> Biomedical Engineering	<b>Jeremy Mitchell</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering	<b>Ovida Reeves</b> Facilities Management	<b>William Steger</b> Information Technology	<b>Rosemarie White</b> GTRI
<b>Pamela Bhatti</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>Jennifer Curtis</b> Physics	<b>Charles Hardin</b> GTRI	<b>Charles Kemp</b> Biomedical Engineering	<b>Abdikadir Mnere</b> Facilities Management	<b>Keith Reid</b> Information Technology	<b>Christie Stewart</b> Applied Physiology	<b>Darryl Williams</b> Facilities Management
<b>Selinda Biggers</b> Athletic Association	<b>Julie D'huyvetter</b> C21U	<b>Tequila Harris</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Markus Kindermann</b> Physics	<b>Monique Morris</b> Career Discovery and Development	<b>Eyvonne Roberson</b> Campus Services	<b>Stanley Sutphin</b> GTRI	<b>Fatimah Wirth</b> Professional Education
<b>Christian Birk</b> Information Technology	<b>Amy D'Unger</b> History and Sociology	<b>Julie Hawkins</b> Development	<b>Samantha King</b> Physics	<b>Elizabeth Ndongi</b> Computer Science	<b>Yolanda Robinson</b> Facilities Management	<b>Matthew Swarts</b> Center for Geographic Information Systems	<b>Brian Woods</b> GTRI
<b>Sharon Bishop</b> GTRI	<b>Donald Davis</b> GTRI	<b>Kelli Heath</b> Professional Education	<b>Kristi Kirkland</b> Tennenbaum Institute	<b>Erin Ninesling</b> Graduate Studies	<b>Henry Rodriguez</b> GTRC	<b>Valerie Taylor</b> GTRI	<b>Robert Wray</b> EI²
<b>Stephanie Boulard</b> Modern Languages	<b>Nico Declercq</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Christine Heitsch</b> Mathematics	<b>Alexander Klishko</b> Applied Physiology	<b>Damon Nix</b> EI²	<b>Kevin Roman</b> Biological Sciences	<b>Mark Taylor</b> International Affairs	<b>Charlie Wright</b> Information Technology
<b>Annalis Bracco</b> Earth and Atmospheric Sciences	<b>Dean Degennaro</b> Housing	<b>Charles Helm</b> EI²	<b>Robert Knotts</b> Government and Community Relations	<b>Vladimir Oge</b> Stamps Health Services	<b>Justin Romberg</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>James Teague</b> Professional Education	<b>Kimiaki Yamaguchi</b> Modern Languages
<b>Beverly Braynon</b> Human Resources	<b>Adrienne Devezin</b> Facilities Management	<b>Camellia Henry</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Sharon Laster</b> GTRI	<b>Angelika Oswalt</b> Modern Languages	<b>Raul Romero</b> Housing	<b>Michael Terrell</b> Literature, Media, and Communication	<b>Chuang-Sheng Yang</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering
<b>Jason Brinson</b> Library	<b>Henry Dewhurst</b> GTRI	<b>Amy Herron</b> Controller's Office	<b>Jorge Laval</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering	<b>Joi Outlaw</b> Mechanical Engineering	<b>Jeffrey Rosen</b> CEISM	<b>Ninh Tran</b> Student Life	<b>John Zentner</b> GTRI
<b>Marilyn Brown</b> Public Policy	<b>Teresa Dodd</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>Vicki Hill</b> Housing	<b>Kristi Kirkland</b> Tennenbaum Institute	<b>Diane Owen</b> Institute for People and Technology	<b>Richard Rowland</b> GTRI	<b>Felicia Trezza</b> Student Success Center	<b>Hongyuan Zha</b> Computational Science and Engineering
<b>Kenneth Brown</b> Chemistry and Biochemistry	<b>Derrick Dunn</b> Housing	<b>Sherry Hill</b> Industrial and Systems Engineering	<b>Alexander Klishko</b> Applied Physiology	<b>Timothy Palmer</b> GTRI	<b>Holly Rush</b> Computational Science and Engineering	<b>Vladimir Tsukruk</b> Materials Science and Engineering	<b>Yadong Zhang</b> Chemistry and Biochemistry
<b>Timothy Brown</b> College of Computing	<b>Tommer Ender</b> GTRI	<b>David Horne</b> Housing	<b>Robert Knotts</b> Government and Community Relations	<b>Dorotyya Pap</b> Institute for Leadership and Entrepreneurship	<b>Steven Salbu</b> College of Business	<b>Shayne Tucker</b> Information Technology	<b>Ying Zhang</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering
<b>Mary Brunson</b> Student Life	<b>Yuhong Fan</b> Biological Sciences	<b>Barbara Howard</b> Electrical and Computer Engineering	<b>Sharon Laster</b> GTRI	<b>Yongchang Li</b> Aerospace Systems Design Lab	<b>Joseph Saleh</b> Aerospace Engineering	<b>Paul Turgeon</b> IEN	<b>Joseph Zima</b> Ivan Allen College
<b>Eric Buckhalt</b> Information Technology	<b>Francesco Fedele</b> Civil and Environmental Engineering		<b>Heidi Lowe</b> Library				

## EVENTS

### ARTS & CULTURE

#### May 6-7

The *Tech in: Joy* exhibit features interactive works, computational music installations, and tech-augmented performances from the Tech Arts Practicum, in collaboration with Eyedrum and local artists. The exhibit takes place May 6 from 7 to 11 p.m. and May 7 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Eyedrum Art and Music Gallery, 88 Forsyth Street. [eyedrum.org](http://eyedrum.org)

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Through May 6

Show your BuzzCard and get 20 percent off at Barnes & Noble @ Georgia Tech and Burdell's for the Campus Appreciation Sale. [shopgatech.com](http://shopgatech.com)

#### May 5

Softball hosts Pittsburgh at 6 p.m. at Shirley Clements Mewborn Field. [ramblinwreck.com](http://ramblinwreck.com)

#### May 7

Baseball hosts Pittsburgh at 6 p.m. at Russ Chandler Stadium. [ramblinwreck.com](http://ramblinwreck.com)

#### May 9

The Staff Council hosts an Inform Georgia Tech session on *Campus Safety and Security* with Georgia Tech Police Chief Rob Connolly, from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Clary Theatre, Student Success Center. [staffcouncil.gatech.edu](http://staffcouncil.gatech.edu)

#### May 9

The Scheller College of Business hosts an MBA Info Session from 6 to 8 p.m. in Room 200, Scheller College of Business. [scheller.gatech.edu/mba](http://scheller.gatech.edu/mba)

#### May 19

The Staff Council hosts a general meeting from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Crescent Room, Student Center. All staff members are invited to attend. RSVP to [leslie.hall@itg.gatech.edu](mailto:leslie.hall@itg.gatech.edu). [staffcouncil.gatech.edu](http://staffcouncil.gatech.edu)

#### May 19

Georgia Tech hosts the National SeaPerch Challenge, an underwater robotics program, at the Campus Recreation Center. Volunteers are needed to assist with all aspects of the event. Learn more and sign up at: [c.gatech.edu/seaperch](http://c.gatech.edu/seaperch)

#### June 2

Applications are due for the Center for Teaching and Learning's 2017-18 Faculty Learning Communities. Learn more and apply at: [c.gatech.edu/ctflc](http://c.gatech.edu/ctflc)

For a more comprehensive listing of events, or to add your own, visit [calendar.gatech.edu](http://calendar.gatech.edu).



# BOR Sets Tuition Rates, Approves Campus Projects

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The Board of Regents (BOR) of the University System of Georgia (USG) approved tuition rates for the 2017-18 academic year at its April 18 meeting at College of Coastal Georgia.

The BOR approved a 2 percent increase in Georgia Tech's undergraduate tuition for both residents and nonresidents. For graduate students, tuition will increase by 2.5 percent regardless of residency.

The BOR also approved a request from Georgia Tech to shift \$100 per semester from the graduate student Special Institutional Fee to graduate student tuition.



This is part of a multiyear effort to eventually eliminate the fee.

The Student Health Fee will increase by \$5 for a total of \$165 per semester. And each semester, \$83 of the Student Activity Fee will be repurposed and split between the Campus Recreation Center (\$51 per semester) and Student Center (\$32 per semester).

Budget allocations for fiscal year 2018 were also approved, marking the sixth consecutive year the state has increased the overall USG appropriation. The FY18 budget includes \$47 million in bonds for the first phase of construction of the Library Renewal Project.

The Committee on Real Estate and Facilities approved two Georgia Tech requests. The first was the Dalney Street parking deck and office building project. The project will be between Dalney and Greenfield Streets and will replace existing surface parking lots serving the surrounding area of campus. The

office space portion of the project will be used by the Georgia Tech Research Corporation for sponsored research activity. This project is the next step in the long-term realization of Georgia Tech's Eco-Commons. Financing for the project is anticipated to take place in FY18.

The second approval was for the Student Center renovation and expansion project. The project will involve renovation and demolition of parts of the existing center, ultimately creating expanded retail and dining options, enlarged recreational and entertainment areas, co-working space for student groups, additional meeting and event space, and outdoor space. Georgia Tech Facilities will contract for and facilitate the planning, design, and construction of the project. The project is years in the making and financing is not anticipated to occur before FY19. Learn more at [reinnovation.studentcenter.gatech.edu](http://reinnovation.studentcenter.gatech.edu).

## West Campus Paving to Cause Street Closures

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Due to scheduled street improvements, access to several roads by West Campus Housing will be affected beginning Monday, May 8. Streets should be fully operational toward the end of May, after the Memorial Day holiday.

Beginning Monday, May 8, parking permit holders will not be able to park on McMillan Street, Turner Place, or Curran Street. Affected permit holders will be allowed to park in zones WR30 and WR29.

Also toward the end of the spring semester, Georgia Tech Stinger buses (Red and Blue routes) will be rerouted in this area to accommodate move-out activities beginning on May 1. The closest Stinger bus stops during this time will be at the intersection of Ferst Drive and Hemphill Avenue. The Midnight Rambler will continue to run in this area until the end of the spring semester and will cease operations, as normal, during the summer semester. Stingerette Nighttime service to the area may also be delayed due to detours and longer routes. There may also be a need to alter Stingerette Nighttime pickup/drop-off locations. Regular transit operations will resume once the roads reopen in late May.

Beginning May 22, McMillan Street, Turner Place, and Curran Street will be closed to through traffic. Access to this area will be limited to emergency and service vehicles. Sixth Street will remain open to accommodate two-way vehicular traffic.

All construction work, including road striping, is expected to be complete by mid-June. For updates, visit [facilities.gatech.edu](http://facilities.gatech.edu).

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education. She has also always been steadfast in her commitment to fairness and diversity. Those qualities made her the best fit for the vice provost role — and she has done a phenomenal job.”

Leslie N. Sharp, associate vice provost for Graduate Education and Faculty Development, first crossed paths with Cozzens in 1999, when she was a doctoral student.

“I don’t think I could have asked for a better mentor to work with over the last several years,” Sharp said. “I have so many memories of Susan going out of her way to stand up for what’s right and fair. She constantly inspires me to be the same way in my own life.”

When it comes to what Cozzens has enjoyed most during her time at Tech, she mentions the leadership teams she’s been part of, working with two deans, Bras, and President G.P. “Bud” Peterson, and having an impact on graduate students.

“My favorite memories are of putting all of the hoods on my Ph.D. students,” she said. “I love the hooding ceremony so much.”

By the end of the year, Cozzens and her husband plan to relocate to the Seattle area to be closer to their daughter, son-in-law, and four grandchildren.

“I’m going to miss everyone on campus very much,” Cozzens said. “So, please friend

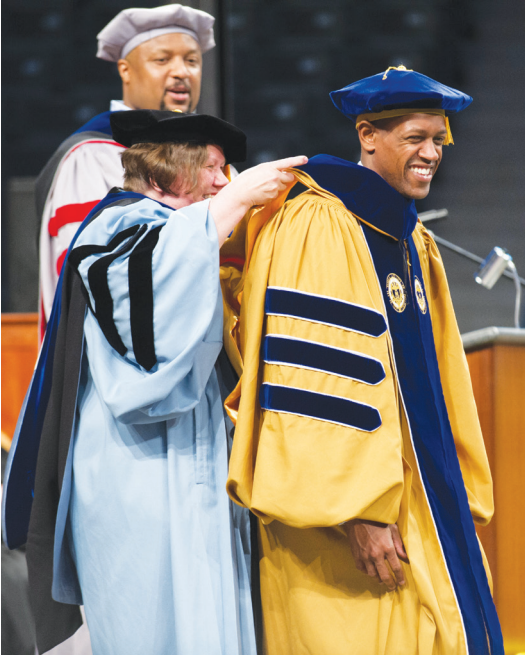


Photo by Rob Felt

Susan Cozzens hoods a graduate student at Commencement in May 2014.

me on Facebook, so we can share updates — especially since I’ll finally have time to share my own after June 30.”

An internal search is underway for the next vice provost for Graduate Education and Faculty Development. For more information, visit [provost.gatech.edu/VPGEFD-search](http://provost.gatech.edu/VPGEFD-search).

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source of insecurity for me,” she said.

The opportunity to continue college presented itself in 2013 when she joined Georgia Tech as a full-time employee. Taking advantage of her new benefits, Riggs enrolled in the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), which provides tuition waivers to staff who pursue education within the University System of Georgia.

For the past three years she has been working toward her goal. She had to retake some classes because not all of her credits transferred from North Carolina A&T State University, plus Georgia State guidelines required a minimum number of residential credits to earn a GSU degree.

“Tech’s [Executive Assistant to the Provost] Robbie Burr really rallied behind me,” Riggs said. “But it’s my entire support system of co-workers, supervisors, family, and friends who helped make this possible. I couldn’t have done it without them.”

As a professional and a mother, Riggs has more responsibility than she did during her first college experience, but she concedes a different mindset in her approach.

“I’m more appreciative of the opportunity this time around,” she said. “There’s an added determination. I know what I’m capable of and, for me, B’s aren’t good enough.”

Although she’s still interested in her major, political science, her career aspirations have changed. She loves her current role in event planning and execution, and is eager to grow those skills instead. After a semester off, she will begin exploring her options for a master’s degree.

“I know I want to go back to school,” she said. “I’ve been bitten by the education bug.”

Her daughter will also hit a milestone this spring when she completes kindergarten — Riggs has planned a summer cruise for the two graduates in celebration.

Read more Commencement-related stories at [c.gatech.edu/commencement](http://c.gatech.edu/commencement).

## CLASSIFIEDS

### REAL ESTATE/ ROOMMATES

Looking for young working professional, graduate student, or visiting professor to rent private bedroom and bath (w/ access to all living spaces) in Buckhead. \$800/mo. Includes utilities, cable, internet, parking. Fully furnished large condo in small private community. Neat, clean home. Walking distance to food markets, restaurants, entertainment, shopping, public transit. Have rented to Italian doctoral student, Brazilian banker, semi-pro soccer player. Referrals on request. Available June 4. Request 1-year agreement. Contact 404-514-7662, [reba.darr@gmail.com](mailto:reba.darr@gmail.com).

Three-story 4BR/3BA brick home, walking distance to campus and Atlantic Station. Gleaming hardwood floors. Newly painted inside and out. Updated kitchen w/ granite. Master suite w/walkout second floor covered porch. Claw foot tub. Third level media room. Garage. Minutes from I-75/I-85/GA-400. Contact Tim Grissett, 404-918-3772.

Roommate (student, administrator, or professor) wanted to share home in Acworth. Furnished room with private bathroom, cable, and all utilities included. \$600/mo. Contact 423-760-6275.

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### MISCELLANEOUS

New in box Maytag s/s kitchen appliances: 27 cu. ft. french door refrigerator, 6 cu. ft. convection double oven, 2 cu. ft. over-the-range microwave, s/s interior dishwasher w/ Powerblast. \$3,600 for all. Call 770-652-9911.

Free yellow jacket nest removal. Nests to be used for research in the School of Biology. Call 404-385-6311 or e-mail [michael.goodisman@biology.gatech.edu](mailto:michael.goodisman@biology.gatech.edu).

Tech researchers seeking volunteer families for a usability study of a mobile Android app that gives caregivers a convenient way to track childhood developmental milestones. The goal is early detection of autism spectrum disorder and other issues. See [ipat.gatech.edu/study-recruitment](http://ipat.gatech.edu/study-recruitment).

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