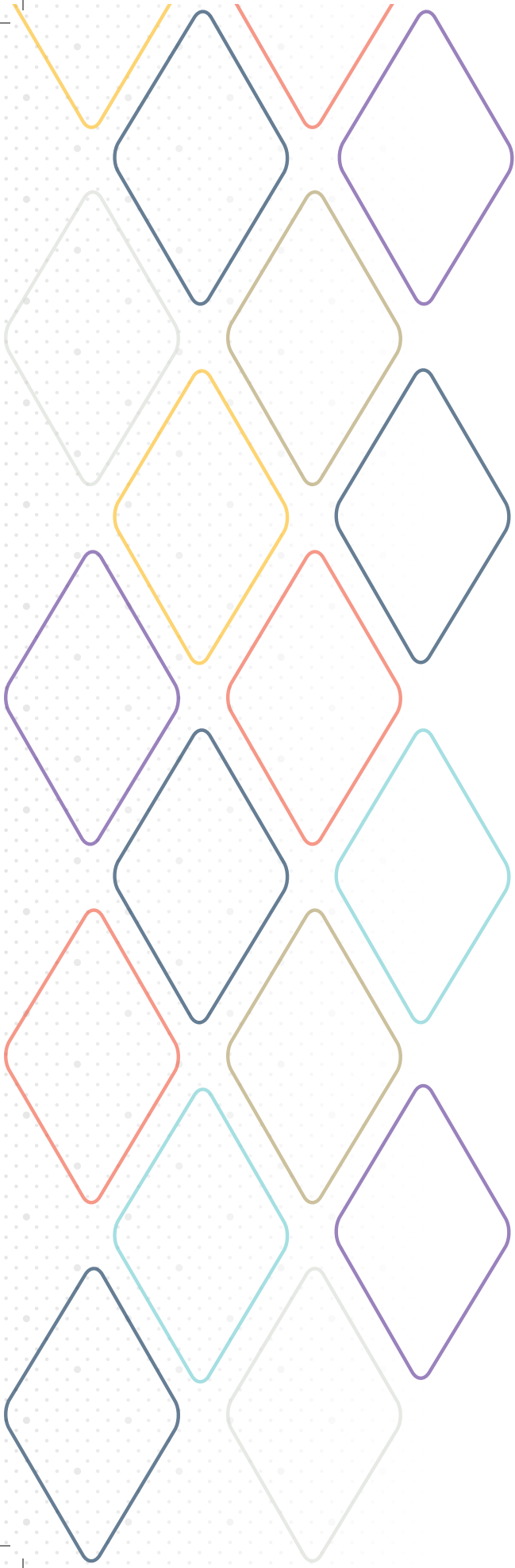




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## **PRESIDING**

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Associate Vice Provost  
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Coordinator

### **James Black**

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## **AWARDS PRESENTATION**

### **Recognition of College Academic Awards**

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Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts

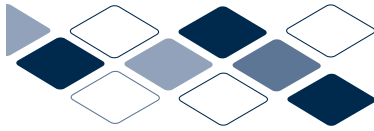
College of Design

Ernest Scheller Jr. College of Business

College of Sciences

College of Engineering

### **Recognition of Institute Awards**



## COLLEGE OF COMPUTING

### **Donald V. Jackson Fellowship**

*Andrew Flaherty, Grace Kim, Sri Ranganathan Palaniappan*

Established by Jeannie Jackson in memory of her husband, Don Jackson, a 1971 master's graduate of information systems and a 1965 bachelor's math graduate. This award supports the College's master's program and is awarded to a well-rounded, first-year master's student.

### **Marshall D. Williamson Fellowship**

*Ansel Erol, Madison Steinau, Ethan Yang*

Established by Billie I. Williamson in memory of her husband, Marshall Williamson, a 1969 master's graduate of information systems. This award will support the College's master's program and be awarded to a well-rounded, second-year master's student who best embodies Marshall's values of academic excellence and leadership.

### **Outstanding Graduate Head Teaching Assistant Award**

*Ghazal Mirzazadeh*

This award is given for outstanding performance as a graduate head teaching assistant. Considerations when making a nomination include effective management of other teaching assistants, exemplary communication with the course instructor, and other contributions to course organization or processes.

### **Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award**

*Nawal Reza*

This award is presented to the outstanding graduate teaching assistant in computer science who has shown enthusiasm in teaching, knowledge of subject matter, interest in making an impact, excellent communication skills, and thorough engagement with students.

### **Outstanding Undergraduate Head Teaching Assistant Award**

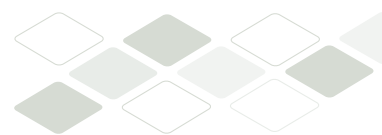
*Elias Lind*

This award is given for outstanding performance as an undergraduate head teaching assistant. Considerations when making a nomination include effective management of other teaching assistants, exemplary communication with the course instructor, and other contributions to course organization or processes.

### **Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Award**

*Joseph Thomas*

This award is given for outstanding performance as an undergraduate teaching assistant. Considerations when making a nomination include enthusiasm in teaching, knowledge of the subject matter, thorough engagement with students, course enrichment activities developed, process enhancements implemented, and other meaningful contributions.



### **Academic Excellence Award for Graduating Students – Economics**

*Nidhi Reddy*

This award is given to a graduating undergraduate student in the School of Economics for their outstanding academic scholarship and extracurricular achievement. The recipient receives a plaque and \$500.

### **Academic Excellence Award for Graduating Students – History and Sociology**

*Cate Gemmell*

This award is given to a graduating undergraduate student in the School of History and Sociology for their outstanding academic scholarship and extracurricular achievement. The recipient receives a plaque and \$500.

### **Academic Excellence Award for Graduating Students – International Affairs**

*Iris Allgrove*

This award is given to a graduating undergraduate student in the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs for their outstanding academic scholarship and extracurricular achievement. The recipient receives a plaque and \$500.

### **Academic Excellence Award for Graduating Students – Literature, Media, and Communication**

*Sanika Tank*

This award is given to a graduating undergraduate student in the School of Literature, Media, and Communication for their outstanding academic scholarship and extracurricular achievement. The recipient receives a plaque and \$500.

### **Academic Excellence Award for Graduating Students – Modern Languages**

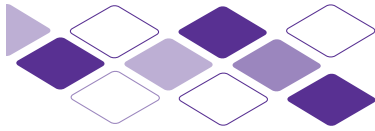
*Wesley Lanter*

This award is given to a graduating undergraduate student in the School of Modern Languages for their outstanding academic scholarship and extracurricular achievement. The recipient receives a plaque and \$500.

### **Academic Excellence Award for Graduating Students – Public Policy**

*Alison Eltz*

This award is given to a graduating undergraduate student in the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School of Public Policy for their outstanding academic scholarship and extracurricular achievement. The recipient receives a plaque and \$500.



## SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

### AIA Medal for Academic Excellence

*Elisabeth Walker*

Each year, the American Institute of Architects (AIA) awards an engraved medal and certificate of merit to the top-ranking graduating student in each architecture program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board. Since its inception in 1914, the program has honored thousands of students and has conferred one of the most prestigious awards given to a graduating student in the discipline.

### Alpha Rho Chi Medal

*Nour Khalifa*

Since 1914, Alpha Rho Chi, the national professional fraternity for architecture and the allied arts, has promoted the profession of architecture by encouraging students to excel. To honor students' achievements, the Alpha Rho Chi Medal is offered each year to more than 100 Schools of Architecture where faculty select a graduating senior they feel best exemplifies excellence.

## SCHOOL OF CITY AND REGIONAL PLANNING

### AICP Outstanding Student Award

*Nick Albrinck*

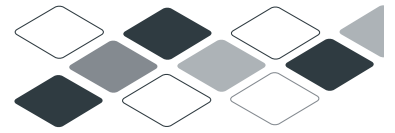
This award from the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) recognizes excellence in the study of planning by students graduating from Planning Accreditation Board-accredited planning programs during the academic year.

## SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN

### Industrial Designers Society of America (IDSA) Student Merit Award

*Ebube Maduka-Ugwu (Graduate), Adam Saint-Jacques (Undergraduate)*

In an effort to encourage, reward, and celebrate excellence in industrial design education in the U.S., the IDSA encourages each design program to nominate the best and brightest undergraduate and graduate students representing the program. The Student Merit Award (SMA) winner will represent the School of Industrial Design at Georgia Tech and will compete with other SMA winners at regional and national conferences.



### **Dow Chemical-P.C. McCutcheon Prize for Outstanding Student Achievement in Business**

*John “Ryan” Halligan*

This award recognizes a third-year Scheller College of Business student with a history of leadership and service at Georgia Tech and in the greater community. The \$1,500 prize is funded by The Dow Chemical-P.C. McCutcheon Endowment Fund in honor of P.C. McCutcheon, who worked to establish the relationship between Dow Chemical and Georgia Tech.

### **Jennifer R. and Charles B. Rewis Award for Student Excellence in Accounting**

*Jorge Castaneda Perez, Mallory Maples*

This award recognizes two Georgia-resident undergraduate students who demonstrate exceptional academic performance in the area of accounting (with preference for students pursuing accounting careers). The \$2,500 award for each recipient is funded by Jennifer R. Rewis, MGT 1992, past member of the Scheller College Advisory Board, and Ernst & Young partner in Northern Virginia; and the late Charles B. Rewis, MGT 1992, former CEO of CBR Enterprises LLC.

### **John R. Battle Award for Student Excellence**

*Victor Huang, Kai Lewis*

This award recognizes two outstanding graduating Scheller College of Business seniors who demonstrate the highest scholastic achievement and a history of involvement on campus and in the community. The \$3,750 award for each recipient is funded by Lewis A. Patterson, IM 1968, CEO (retired) of BPU Associates LLC, and past member of the Scheller College Advisory Board. He created it in memory of John R. Battle, a chemical engineering graduate from Cornell University and former vice president of The Dow Chemical Company, who made it financially possible for Lewis to attend Georgia Tech.



## COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

### **The School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences Quarter Century Award**

*Sophia Buettner, Daniel Lamprea, Rowan Ray, Claire Riggs*

This award recognizes the most outstanding undergraduate senior(s) in the School based on GPA and the quality of work such as a term paper or research paper.

### **The School of Chemistry and Biochemistry Arduengo Award**

*Arya Akbarshahi, Ryan Wiebold*

This annual award is made possible through the generosity of Anthony J. “Bo” Arduengo, B.S. CHEM 1974, Ph.D. CHEM 1976. It recognizes top undergraduate researchers in the School of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

### **The School of Psychology Moll Davenport Award**

*Kate Cole*

The award recognizes the most outstanding undergraduate student in the School of Psychology based on criteria that include GPA, research, and service.

### **Metha Phingbodhipakkiya Memorial Scholarship**

*Nick Elidor*

This scholarship was established by Maranee Phing to honor her father, his love for physics, and the great sacrifices he made to ensure that she would have the very finest education. The award is made to an outstanding sophomore or junior in the College of Sciences.

### **A. Joyce Nickelson and John C. Sutherland Prize**

*Carlos Marcio De Oliveira E Silva Filho*

This award was established by John C. Sutherland, PHYS 1962, M.S. PHYS 1964, Ph.D. PHYS 1967. It is presented to a top undergraduate in the College of Sciences who has demonstrated accomplishments at the intersection of physics and mathematics.



### **Roger M. Wartell and Stephen E. Brossette Award**

*Sara Dixon, Nihita Subramaniarao*

This award was established by Stephen E. Brossette, M.D. (PHYS 1993), in recognition of the many contributions of Professor Roger M. Wartell. The award is presented to an undergraduate in the College of Sciences who has demonstrated accomplishments at the interface of biology with either physics or mathematics.

### **Robert A. Pierotti Memorial Scholarship**

*Zachary Beddingfield, Kate Cole, Kathleen "Katie" Griffin*

The College of Sciences presents this award in honor of Robert A. "Bob" Pierotti, past dean of the College and founder of the Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics, and Computing. The award is presented to an outstanding senior undergraduate in the College who has excelled both academically and in research.



## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

### **AEROSPACE ENGINEERING**

#### **Aerospace Engineering Outstanding Senior Scholar Award**

*Alexander Payne*

The School of Aerospace Engineering presents this award to its graduating senior having the highest cumulative GPA, with 112 or more credit hours. The award of \$1,000 is funded through an endowment established for the Daniel Guggenheim School of Aerospace Engineering by former School Chair Donnell W. Dutton, AE 1940, and his wife, Ruth.

#### **Donnell W. Dutton Outstanding Senior in Aerospace Engineering Award**

*Isabel Botelho*

This award of \$1,000, funded by former School Chair Donnell W. Dutton, AE 1940, and his wife, Ruth, is presented to a senior student who has attained high academic achievement within the School of Aerospace Engineering.

### **BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING**

#### **G.D. Jain Outstanding Senior in Biomedical Engineering Award**

*Saif Khan*

This award honors a student who has exemplified all-around excellence through significant accomplishments in several of the following categories: service, academics, research, industry, and entrepreneurship.

#### **Outstanding Academic Achievement in Biomedical Engineering Award**

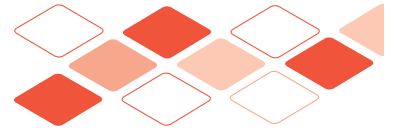
*Inho Lee*

This award honors a graduating senior who displays an eagerness to pursue knowledge and understanding while holding to high academic standards. This student demonstrates involvement both inside and outside the classroom, while maintaining an excellent GPA.

#### **S.K. Jain Outstanding Research in Biomedical Engineering Award**

*Neha Shahrawat*

This award honors a graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding research skills and has shared their work with the broader research community through presentations at local, regional, or national conferences, or through one or more peer-reviewed presentations.



## CHEMICAL AND BIOMOLECULAR ENGINEERING

### Chair's Award — Outstanding Chemical and Biomolecular Junior

*Hannah Reynolds*

This award honors one chemical and biomolecular undergraduate junior who has demonstrated exemplary overall performance in leadership, philanthropy, service, and entrepreneurial activities, while maintaining an excellent academic record and pursuing work experience through internships, cooperative education, or international experience.

### Chair's Award — Outstanding Chemical and Biomolecular Senior

*Rohan Datta*

This award honors one chemical and biomolecular undergraduate senior who has demonstrated exemplary overall performance in leadership, philanthropy, service, and entrepreneurial activities, while maintaining an excellent academic record and pursuing work experience through internships, cooperative education, or international experience.

## CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

### Buck Stith Outstanding Junior Award in Civil Engineering

*Juliette Bolte*

This endowed award, established by Buck Stith of Stith Equipment, recognizes juniors in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering who have demonstrated both strong academic potential and a concern for the development of the School and the profession.

### Buck Stith Outstanding Junior Award in Environmental Engineering

*Sarah Moreno Amezquita*

This endowed award, established by Buck Stith of Stith Equipment, recognizes juniors in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering who have demonstrated both strong academic potential and a concern for the development of the School and the profession.

### Buck Stith Outstanding Senior Award in Civil and Environmental Engineering

*Phoebe Ellis*

This endowed award, established by Buck Stith of Stith Equipment, recognizes the top graduating senior in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering who has demonstrated both strong academic performance and contributed to the development of the School and the profession.



## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

### School Chair's Outstanding Senior Award in Civil Engineering

*Sean Kirby*

This award recognizes a senior civil engineering student who exhibits high academic performance, strong citizenship qualities, and leadership in the School and profession.

### School Chair's Outstanding Senior Award in Environmental Engineering

*Bahar Banihashemi*

This award recognizes a senior environmental engineering student who exhibits high academic performance, strong citizenship qualities, and leadership in the School and profession.

## ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

### Computer Engineering Undergraduate Research Award

*Aparupa Brahma*

Undergraduate research is an opportunity for students to grow and mature in the pursuit of knowledge. This award, consisting of a monetary gift and a plaque, recognizes an undergraduate computer engineering student who has demonstrated an unusually strong aptitude for research.

### Electrical Engineering Undergraduate Research Award

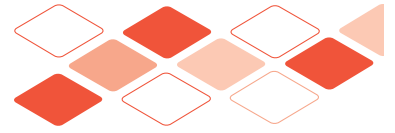
*Carlton Cort*

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### Outstanding Computer Engineering Senior Award

*Aparupa Brahma*

Eta Kappa Nu, the electrical and computer engineering honor society, recognizes the senior computer engineering student with a very high scholastic average who plays an active role in extracurricular activities. The award consists of a plaque and a monetary gift.



## Outstanding Electrical Engineering Senior Award

*Carlton Cort*

Eta Kappa Nu, the electrical and computer engineering honor society, recognizes the senior electrical engineering student who has a very high scholastic average and who plays an active role in extracurricular activities. The award consists of a plaque and a monetary gift.

## INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

### Alpha Pi Mu Academic Excellence Award

*Yubin Kim*

The Alpha Pi Mu Honor Society presents the award to the industrial engineering senior with the best academic achievement who excels in research and is involved in academic competitions, presentations, or publications. The winner's name will be added to the perpetual plaque inside the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

### Evelyn Pennington Outstanding Service Award

*Phong Nguyen*

This award recognizes students who have provided exceptional service to the industrial engineering community and maintained academic excellence, while committing their time to support activities that contribute to the experience of Georgia Tech's industrial engineering students.

### Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers Excellence in Leadership Award

*Sujan Ganesh Kumar*

This award recognizes outstanding leadership of industrial engineering student organizations. Awardees are students who have been instrumental in creating or enhancing an industrial engineering student organization. Recipients are selected based on breadth and depth of involvement and leadership.



## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

### **MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

#### **Polymer, Fiber, and Textile Materials (AATCC) Distinguished Senior Award**

*Vikas Muralidharan*

This award recognizes a materials science and engineering graduating senior with a strong academic focus and career interest in polymer, fiber, and textile materials. The recipient demonstrates excellence in polymer-based materials science through coursework, research, engagement in a learning and development team, or professional preparation. The award consists of a certificate and a monetary gift.

#### **School of Materials Science and Engineering Outstanding Senior Award**

*Jeremy Knight, Marissa Reichelscheimer*

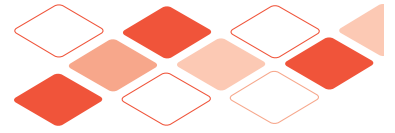
This award is presented to a graduating senior who has embodied the characteristics of exceptional scholarship, outstanding academic performance, and overall commitment to service in the School of Materials Science and Engineering and Georgia Tech. The award consists of a certificate and a monetary gift.

### **MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

#### **George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering Outstanding Scholar Award**

*Aleksandar Bošković*

This award recognizes a graduating senior who has achieved an exceptional scholastic record in mechanical engineering. The award consists of a monetary gift and an engraved plaque.



### George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering School Chair's Award

*Vijay Sreenivasan*

On the basis of outstanding scholarship and contributions to the School, especially to its programs — and with regard to external representation — the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering honors the graduating senior in mechanical engineering who best fulfills these standards. The award consists of an engraved plaque and a monetary gift.

### Richard K. Whitehead Jr. Memorial Awards

*Owen Gil, Massimiliano Iaschi, Aastha Singh, Olivia Trask, Tarun Vinodkumar*

The Georgia Scientific and Technical Research Foundation established these awards in memory of its first president, Richard K. Whitehead Jr., ME 1957. They are presented to outstanding mechanical engineering seniors who exemplify high standards of scholarship and service. The awards consist of an engraved plaque and a monetary gift.

## NUCLEAR AND RADIOLOGICAL ENGINEERING

### George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering Chair's Award in Nuclear and Radiological Engineering

*Colin Gold*

On the basis of outstanding scholarship and contributions to the School, especially to its programs — and with regard to external representation — the George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering honors the graduating senior in nuclear and radiological engineering who best fulfills these standards. The award consists of an engraved plaque and a monetary gift.



## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

### COLLEGE-WIDE AWARDS

#### College of Engineering (COE) Honors Day Awards

*William “Alex” Abraham, Ansley Cheng, Sierra Czubaj, Martin Jaramillo Feijoo, Kate Hennigan, Felipe Martins, Advait Menon, Paul Pelkowski, Khue Phan, Jackson Stahl, Jared Weitkamp*

These awards are given annually to engineering students with the best academic records at the end of the third year of undergraduate study. Each major within the College of Engineering selects one winner for this award.

#### Helen Grenga Outstanding Engineer Award

*Haasa Gaddipati*

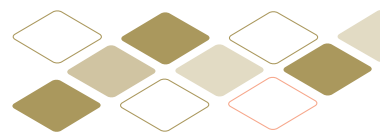
Named in honor of Helen Grenga, the first woman to earn full tenure in engineering at Georgia Tech, this award recognizes a top graduating senior who exemplifies excellence in academic, scholarly, or professional pursuits. Preference is given to students who are active in the Society of Women Engineers and who demonstrate a strong commitment to the values Professor Grenga championed, including leadership, service, and advancing student success.

#### Davidson Family Tau Beta Pi Senior Engineering Award

*Michael Silas*

This award goes to the engineering student who has demonstrated academic excellence, leadership, and service in the field and to the Institute, as well as potential for continued growth. The Georgia Alpha Chapter of the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society annually presents an award and a monetary gift. The award is endowed by John Narl and Eugenia P. Davidson.

## INSTITUTE AWARDS



### **Alvin M. Ferst Leadership and Entrepreneur Scholarship Award**

*Samantha Bolton, Atharva Amit Lele*

This award was established by the late Charlotte Ferst as a birthday gift to honor her husband, Alvin, who graduated from Georgia Tech in 1943. The \$3,000 award is given to students with vision, a driving force to create a business or organization, the ability to inspire others to reach their potential, leadership skills to anticipate future needs, an optimistic outlook about finding solutions, and character – students who ask: “Why not?” rather than “Why?”

### **Center Assistant of the Year Award**

*Lillian Ayala*

This award recognizes the center assistant who goes above and beyond to address the needs of the Naugle Writing and Communication Center’s clients and to support the faculty and staff in the center. This student has shown initiative, hospitality, clarity, and integrity in every aspect of their work.

### **Jordan Lockwood Peer Tutor of the Year Award**

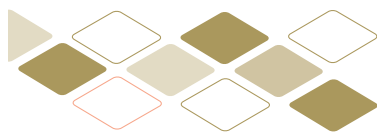
*Julia Artigue*

The Jordan Lockwood Peer Tutor of the Year award recognizes the undergraduate tutor who most embodies the mission of the Naugle Writing and Communication Center – the tutor who supports the students’ interdisciplinary communication needs, fosters trust and inclusivity, seamlessly consults with students at all levels, seeks out leadership opportunities, and innovates in a way that leaves a lasting impact on the center.

### **John H. Martinson Honors Program Outstanding Student Award**

*Jessica Dasilva Bonet, Esha Venkat*

The Georgia Tech John H. Martinson Honors Program fosters curiosity, creativity, and connection among a select group of highly motivated students. The Honors Program Outstanding Student Award is given to two graduating seniors who best exemplify excellence in academic achievement, leadership, creative endeavors, curiosity, and community building.



## INSTITUTE AWARDS

### Georgia Tech Women's Club (GTWC) Scholarships

*Sania Ali Chaudhary, Charlotte Marie Cooper, Jailyn Davila, Makaylah Deshield, Clear Holley, Isabel O'Connell*

The GTWC Scholarship Program is pleased to award scholarships to deserving Tech undergraduates. Preference may be given to those who have a parent or guardian employed by Georgia Tech – the children of our Georgia Tech “family.” For the 2026-27 academic year, up to five scholarships of \$3,000 each will be awarded. In August 2026, the Foundation will transfer the scholarship funds to the Financial Aid Office for disbursement (\$1,500 per semester) to recipients for any expenses including, but not limited to, tuition, fees, books, and/or room and board. Recipients of the \$3,000 awards are selected based on academic achievement, engagement outside the classroom, and their future plans.

### Outstanding Tutor Award

*Javanith Wangsiriwech*

This award is presented to an outstanding tutor who demonstrates exemplary performance, commitment, and leadership skills. Recipients of this award work individually with students to enhance their understanding of course concepts and to strengthen their metacognitive skills.

### Outstanding PLUS Leader Award

*Marin Alter*

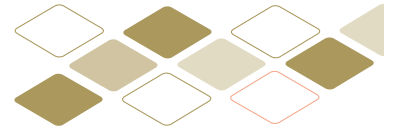
This award is presented to an outstanding PLUS leader who demonstrates innovation, creativity, and flexibility, fosters a welcoming and supportive environment, and partners with faculty to facilitate collaborative study sessions that increase students' academic confidence.

### Outstanding Learning Assistant Award

*Egan Mejia*

This award is presented to an outstanding learning assistant in Tutoring and Learning Enrichment who excels in cultivating a sense of community within the classroom, fostering an environment conducive to collaborative learning, and demonstrating outstanding collaboration with faculty.

## INSTITUTE AWARDS



### Provost's Academic Excellence Award

*Carlton Cort, Elliot Huang, Nour Khalifa, Margaret Wei*

This award was created in 2021 to recognize the five finalists of the Love Family Foundation Award. Each winner is a graduating senior and represents the most outstanding scholastic record from their College. The award includes a \$2,000 monetary award for each student, generously provided by the Gay and Erskine Love Foundation.

### The University System of Georgia (USG) Board of Regents Academic Recognition Award

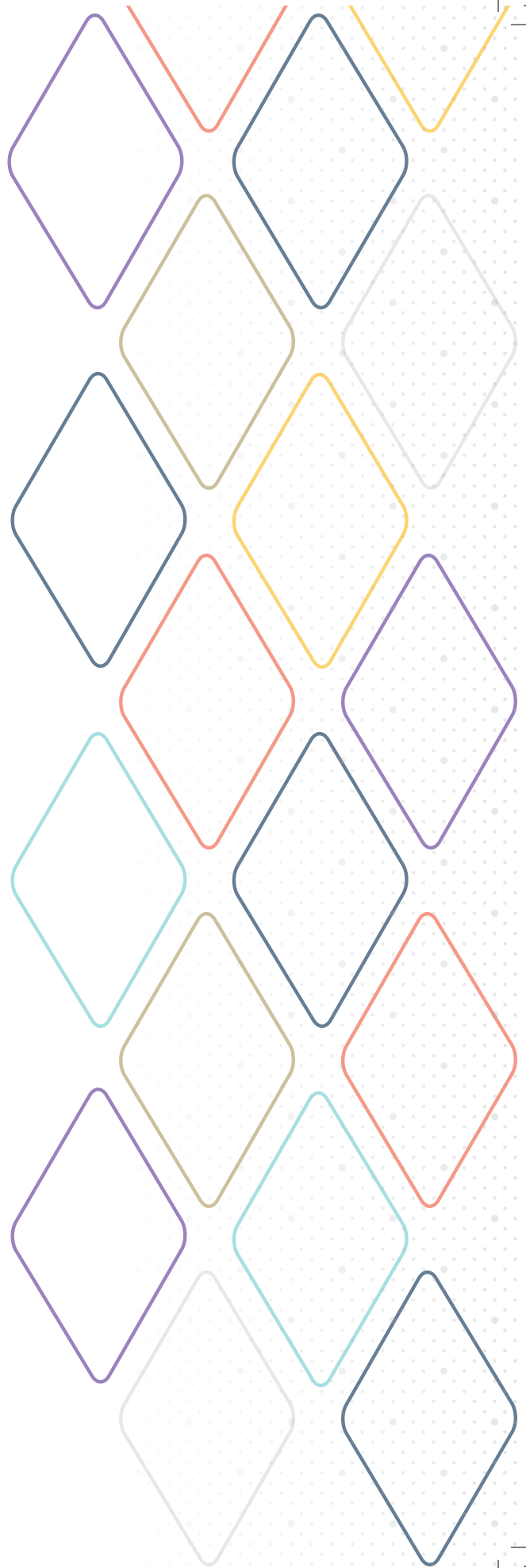
*Elliot Huang*

This award began over 34 years ago as a celebration of academic achievement among college students who are residents of the state of Georgia. Each USG institution selects an undergraduate honoree. Students are chosen based on their outstanding scholastic achievement. Georgia Tech's honoree is chosen by the academic associate deans of each of the seven Colleges, in coordination with the Office of the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education. Honorees are recognized by a resolution from the Georgia House of Representatives and a letter of commendation from the USG chancellor.

### Love Family Foundation Award (Est. 1976)

*Caleb Adams, Marielle Frooman*

The Love Family Foundation Award, made possible by a generous grant from the Gay and Erskine Love Foundation, is one of the highest academic awards Georgia Tech gives to a graduating senior. The award recognizes the undergraduate student with the "most outstanding scholastic record of all members of the class" and includes a \$10,000 monetary award. Each of the seven Colleges nominates its top graduating student, and the winner is ultimately selected by the academic associate deans in coordination with the Office of the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education.



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