

2016 Faculty & Staff  
**Honors  
Luncheon**



*The Georgia Institute of Technology is recognized far and wide for excellence — in the education we offer, the discoveries we make, and the dedication to progress and service we bring to all our endeavors.*

*What the world sees in Georgia Tech is what we see every day in our people: quality and commitment, energy and enthusiasm, talent and tenacity. Our people are at the heart of our success.*

*Today, we are here to acknowledge and honor our own — faculty and staff whose service, activities, and accomplishments have been particularly noteworthy over the past year.*

*If you stand a little taller when you tell people you work at Georgia Tech, just look around (and in the mirror) to know why.*

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**Friday, April 22 • Noon-1:30 p.m.  
Student Center Ballroom**

*Welcome*

HOSTS

Kim Harrington

Associate Vice President, Office of Human Resources

Colin Potts

Vice Provost, Undergraduate Education, Office of the Provost

*Lunch*

*Award Presentations*

Georgia Tech Chapter Sigma Xi Awards

Institute Research Awards

ANAK Award

Staff Performance Awards

CETL Awards

Academic Advisor Awards

International Initiatives Award

Faculty Honors Committee Awards

Class of 1934 Distinguished Professor Award

## Georgia Tech Chapter Sigma Xi Awards

Presented by:  
Peter J. Hesketh, Professor and President,  
Sigma Xi (Georgia Tech Chapter)

### BEST FACULTY PAPER AWARDS

Baratunde A. Cola  
Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering

Younan Xia  
Professor, Biomedical Engineering

Includes \$2,500 prize, plaque, and  
certificate per recipient.

### YOUNG FACULTY AWARDS

Nga Lee “Sally” Ng  
Assistant Professor,  
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering

Hua Wang  
Assistant Professor,  
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Includes \$2,500 prize, plaque, and  
certificate per recipient.

### SUSTAINED RESEARCH AWARD

Peter J. Webster  
Professor, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences

Includes \$5,000 prize, plaque,  
and certificate.

## Institute Research Awards

Presented by:  
Stephen E. Cross,  
Executive Vice President for Research

### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH ENTERPRISE ENHANCEMENT AWARD

Gary Spinner  
Senior Assistant Director,  
Institute for Electronics & Nanotechnology

Includes \$5,000 prize.

### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH INNOVATION AWARD

Zhong Lin Wang  
Regents Professor, Materials Science & Engineering

Includes \$7,500 prize and \$2,500  
research grant.

### OUTSTANDING DOCTORAL THESIS ADVISOR AWARD

Hang Lu  
Professor, Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering

Includes \$7,500 prize and \$2,500  
research grant.

### OUTSTANDING FACULTY RESEARCH AUTHOR AWARD

Mark Hay  
Regents Professor, Biology

Includes \$7,500 prize and \$2,500  
research grant.

### OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESEARCH PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AWARD

MARCUS CENTER FOR THERAPEUTIC CELL  
CHARACTERIZATION AND MANUFACTURING TEAM

Ravi V. Bellamkonda  
Wallace H. Coulter Chair, Biomedical Engineering

Birgit Smith Burton  
Senior Director, Foundation Relations,  
Office of Development

Robert E. Guldberg  
Professor, Institute for Bioengineering & Bioscience

Krishnendu Roy  
Professor, Biomedical Engineering

Includes \$25,000 prize to be  
shared among team members.

## ANAK Award

Presented by:  
Gary S. May, Dean and Southern Company  
Chair of the College of Engineering and ANAK  
Faculty Advisor, and Noel J. Webber, President,  
ANAK Society

To Be Announced

Includes an engraved watch.

## Staff Performance Awards

Presented by:  
Steven G. Swant, Executive Vice President  
for Administration & Finance

### OUTSTANDING STAFF PERFORMANCE AWARDS

#### Entrepreneurship Award

Madison Cario  
Director of the Office of the Arts,  
Division of Student Life

#### Innovation Award

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES/COLLEGE OF  
ENGINEERING PARTNERSHIP TEAM

Dian A. Chung  
Human Resources Director II, College of Sciences

Emily I. Howell  
Director of Financial Administration,  
College of Engineering

Lynda D. House  
Human Resources Director II, College of Engineering

David L. Moore  
Senior Finance Director, College of Sciences

#### Process Improvement Excellence Award

COULTER DEPARTMENT PRE-AWARD OFFICE  
TEAM, BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Rachel D. Arnold  
Assistant Director of Administrative Operations

Jeff F. Caimano  
Grants Administrator

#### Service to the Community Award

Alba C. Gutierrez  
Educational Outreach Coordinator, Center for  
Education Integrating Science, Mathematics &  
Computing

#### Staff Leadership Award

EVENT COORDINATORS' NETWORK  
LEADERSHIP TEAM

Lucianna Renée Brown  
Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice President,  
Administration & Finance

Barb A. Dockweiler  
Associate Director-Development Stewardship,  
Athletic Association, Alexander-Tharpe Fund

LaJauna F. Ellis  
Executive Assistant to the Dean,  
College of Engineering

Julie G. Hawkins  
Donor Relations Associate,  
Stewardship and Campaign Event Coordinator,  
Office of Development

Nicole H. Little  
Communications Program Manager,  
Institute of Leadership & Entrepreneurship

Laura S. Pusateri  
Meeting & Event Manager II,  
Institute Communications

Catherine Shaw  
Senior Professional Education Portfolio Manager,  
Georgia Tech Professional Education

Stephanie L. Sigler  
Event & Administrative Coordinator,  
Institute Communications

Felicia A. Turner  
Academic Program Coordinator II, Center for the  
Enhancement of Teaching & Learning

Serena F. Wallace  
Event Coordinator II,  
Institute Communications

Includes \$1,000 prize  
per recipient or team.

### OUTSTANDING MANAGEMENT IN ACTION AWARD

Lindsay M. Bryant  
Associate Director of Student Center Programs  
and Interim Director, Student Center

Includes \$1,000 prize.

### ADMINISTRATIVE EXCELLENCE AWARD

Walter G. Kolis  
Assistant Director of Member Services & Staff  
Development, Campus Recreation Center

Includes \$2,500 prize.

## CETL Awards

Presented by:  
Caroline R. Noyes, Deputy Director, Center for  
the Enhancement of Teaching & Learning

### CETL/BP JUNIOR FACULTY TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Mark A. Davenport  
Assistant Professor,  
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Ryan P. Lively  
Assistant Professor,  
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering

Includes \$3,000 prize per recipient,  
provided by the Class of 1940 endowment.

### UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATOR AWARD

Ed Greco  
Academic Professional, Physics

Includes \$3,000 prize, provided by the  
Class of 1934 endowment.

### CURRICULUM INNOVATION AWARD

Karie D. Davis-Nozemack  
Assistant Director, Scheller College of Business

Includes \$3,000 prize, provided by the  
Jack & Francis Mundy endowment.

### INNOVATION & EXCELLENCE IN LABORATORY INSTRUCTION AWARD

Chrissy C. Spencer  
Academic Professional, Biology

Includes \$3,000 prize, provided by the  
Jack & Francis Mundy endowment.

### INNOVATION IN CO-CURRICULAR EDUCATION AWARD

Wilbur A. Lam  
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Biomedical Engineering

Includes \$3,000 prize, provided by the  
Jack & Francis Mundy endowment.

### FACULTY AWARD FOR ACADEMIC OUTREACH

Thomas Morley  
Professor, Mathematics

Includes \$2,500 prize, provided  
by the Class of 1934 endowment.

### GEOFFREY G. EICHHOLZ FACULTY TEACHING AWARDS

David Garton  
Senior Lecturer, Biology

Ronghua Pan  
Professor, Mathematics

Includes \$5,000 prize per recipient  
for the next two years. Prize provided  
by a grant from Geoffrey G. Eichholz.

## Academic Advisor Awards

Presented by:  
David S. Bamburovski, Director,  
Office of Graduate Studies

### OUTSTANDING GRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARD

Robert B. Simon  
Graduate Programs Manager,  
Civil & Environmental Engineering

### OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARD - PRIMARY ROLE

Ami B. Waller-Ivanecy  
Academic Advising Manager,  
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering

### OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARD - FACULTY ADVISOR

Dana E. Hartley  
Senior Academic Professional,  
Earth & Atmospheric Sciences

Includes \$2,000 prize per recipient,  
provided by the Class of 1940 endowment.

## International Initiatives Award

Presented by:  
Marta Garcia, Associate Vice President,  
Office of Development

### STEVEN A. DENNING FACULTY AWARD FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

CENTER FOR HEALTH &  
HUMANITARIAN SYSTEMS TEAM,  
INDUSTRIAL & SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

Pinar Keskinocak  
Professor

Julie L. Swann  
Professor

Includes \$5,000 prize shared among recipients, provided by the Steven A. Denning Chair in Global Engagement.

## Faculty Honors Committee Awards

Presented by:  
Rafael L. Bras, Provost and Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs

### OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH MENTOR AWARDS

Cassie S. Mitchell  
Research Engineer II, Biomedical Engineering  
Junior Award includes \$2,000 prize.

Robert J. Butera  
Professor, Electrical & Computer Engineering  
Senior Award includes \$4,000 prize.

### OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AWARD

Sathya Gourisankar  
Professor of the Practice, Biomedical Engineering  
Includes \$5,000 prize.

### CLASS OF 1934 OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

Terry C. Blum  
Professor, Institute for Leadership & Entrepreneurship  
Includes \$5,000 prize, provided by the Class of 1934 endowment.

### CLASS OF 1934 OUTSTANDING INTERDISCIPLINARY ACTIVITIES AWARD

Eberhard O. Voit  
Professor, Biomedical Engineering

Includes \$7,500 prize, provided by the Class of 1934 endowment.

### CLASS OF 1940 W. ROANE BEARD OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD

A. Nepomuk Otte  
Assistant Professor, Physics

Joseph H. Saleh  
Associate Professor, Aerospace Engineering

Includes \$10,000 prize per recipient, provided by the Class of 1940 endowment.

### CLASS OF 1940 W. HOWARD ECTOR OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD

Aldo A. Ferri  
Professor and Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies, Mechanical Engineering

Includes \$10,000 prize, provided by the Class of 1940 endowment.

## Class of 1934 Distinguished Professor Award

Presented by:  
G.P. "Bud" Peterson, President

Robin Thomas  
Regents Professor, Mathematics

Includes \$25,000 prize, provided by the Class of 1934 endowment.

