Welcome Parents and Family Members!

On behalf of the Georgia Tech Parents Program and the Division of Student Life, we are delighted to welcome you back to campus for Family Weekend 2015. While on campus, we encourage you to take advantage of all the Family Weekend activities! Spend some time with President Peterson and hear what the future holds for Georgia Tech. Get to know your student’s professors at a college or school reception. Enjoy a performance at the Ferst Center for the Arts. Have some fun with your family at Family Fun Night. Come get your family picture taken with the renowned Ramblin’ Wreck and cheer on the Yellow Jackets against the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This weekend was created for all of our families, so attend the sessions and events that interest you the most, spend time with your student, and create some special memories!

Our hope is that through your experience at Family Weekend you will embrace the Yellow Jacket spirit and gain insight into what campus life is like for your student. We recognize that support from parents and family is absolutely vital to the success of Tech students. By participating in Family Weekend with your student and getting a deeper understanding of all things Georgia Tech, you are demonstrating that support! Please do not hesitate to contact the Parents Program should you have any questions while your student is at Georgia Tech. We are here to support you as you support your student throughout his or her experience!

We hope you enjoy Family Weekend as much as we enjoy having you here!

With Yellow Jacket Pride,

Laci Weeden
Director, Georgia Tech Parents Program
Family Weekend 2015 Schedule of Events

The events noted in gold are included in your Family Weekend registration. All other events are ticketed or pre-registered events. Please note: space is available on a first come, first served basis for non-ticketed or pre-registered events.

Friday, October 2

11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
CAMPUS TOURS - SESSION ONE
Student Center, Outside of Tech Rec
If you or another member of your family have not had a campus tour, this is a perfect time to see our beautiful campus. We have several Student Ambassadors available to take families on a walking tour. Learn more about Georgia Tech, campus buildings, traditions, and campus life.

11:00 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.
YELLOW JACKET ED SESSION ONE
Select from various staff presentations to learn more about campus life at Georgia Tech. Please note: space is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

SUPPORTING FIRST-YEAR AND SECOND-YEAR STUDENT SUCCESS@GEORGIA TECH
Student Center Ballroom
The first two years at Tech establish the foundation for a successful undergraduate experience. This panel will include faculty and administrators from the Office of Undergraduate Education, Division of Student Life, College of Sciences, and College of Computing who will share insights and strategies for succeeding (and thriving) during this important period. Panelists will also highlight resources that help support student success.

Panelists:
• John Stein, Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students
• Dr. Steven Girardot, Associate Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education
• Dr. Carrie Shepler, Director of Freshman Chemistry, School of Chemistry and Biochemistry
• Dr. Ed Greco, Academic Professional, School of Physics
• Dr. Enid Steinbart, Director of Advising and Assessment, School of Mathematics
• Ms. Monica Sweat, Senior Lecturer, College of Computing

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GEORGIA TECH HISTORY 101
Student Center Theater

The Living History Program, led by the Alumni Association, strives to collect, preserve and present the rich history of Georgia Tech and its traditions and stories. Join this session to travel through time in order to learn more about how Georgia Tech came to be the great institution it is today.

Presented by: Marilyn Somers, Director, Georgia Tech Living History Program

CHOOSING A MAJOR AND CHOOSING A CAREER
Student Center, Peachtree Room

While many Georgia Tech students enter their first year knowing exactly what they want to be when they “grow up,” another large portion of students enter college as undecided or will reevaluate their major, field of study or pathway to their desired career along the way. This session will examine the various processes and resources a student might use to navigate their way to the educational path and career that fits them best.

Presented by: Shannon Dobranski, Ph.D., Director of Pre-Graduate and Pre-Professional Advising, Center for Career Discovery and Development and Elaine Damon, M.S., NCC, LPC, Senior Career Development, Center for Career Discovery and Development

CAMPUS MASTER PLAN OVERVIEW: MEETING TODAY’S CHALLENGES WHILE PLANNING FOR TOMORROW
Smithgall Student Services Building, Room 117

The Director of Capital Planning and Space Management for Georgia Tech will provide a brief overview of where we’ve been, where we are, and where we are going as an Institute.

Presented by: Howard S. Wertheimer, FAIA, LEED AP, Director, Capital Planning and Space Management

URBAN HONEY BEE CLASS
Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons, Room 102

The Georgia Tech Urban Honey Bee Project is an interdisciplinary education, research, and service program for undergraduates. We have an apiary on the roof of Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons as well as hives in urban farms and community gardens in West Atlanta. This class will introduce you to our project and the importance of honey bees. Participants will have the opportunity to view our beehives through a window.

Presented by: Jennifer Kraft Leavey, Ph.D., Integrated Science Curriculum Coordinator, College of Sciences

CREATING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVE-LEARN-SUSTAIN INITIATIVE AT GEORGIA TECH
Student Center, Piedmont Room

Come learn about Georgia Tech’s new academic initiative, Serve-Learn-Sustain, from its inaugural Director, applied anthropologist Dr. Jennifer Hirsch. Serve-Learn-Sustain is enhancing Georgia Tech’s undergraduate program by developing academic courses and experiences that combine community engagement with sustainability. Serve-Learn-Sustain will prepare students to contribute their disciplinary expertise to efforts aimed at creating sustainable communities where people and nature thrive, now and in the future, in Georgia, the United States, and around the globe.

Presented by: Dr. Jennifer Hirsch, Director, Center for Serve-Learn-Sustain

12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.
CAMPUS TOURS – SESSION TWO
Student Center, Outside of Tech Rec

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YELLOW JACKET ED SESSION TWO
Select from various staff presentations to learn more about campus life at Georgia Tech. Please note: space is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES AT TECH
Student Center Ballroom

You are invited to come learn about the global opportunities at Georgia Tech! Did you know that 52% of Tech undergraduates study abroad? But that’s not the only chance to be globally minded on-campus? GT students can study, research, or intern abroad, participate in service abroad, or get involved with many international activities on-campus while interacting with our diverse student body. The session will be informative and fun. We look forward to seeing you there!

Presented by: Casey Lang, Education Abroad Advisor & Allison Noffsinger, Global Internships Advisor

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PROJECT ONE: GARBOLOGY AND SUSTAINABILITY AT GEORGIA TECH
Student Center, Peachtree Room
This session will introduce families to Project One, Georgia Tech’s common reading program, and will highlight the various programs and projects associated with Garbology and sustainability at Georgia Tech. Presented by: Lacy Hodges, Ph.D., Center for Academic Enrichment

YOUNG ALUMNI PANEL
Student Center Theater
Recent Georgia Tech Alumni relay how their experiences at Georgia Tech have shaped their current pursuits and discuss what essential knowledge they gained from the Georgia Tech experience to increase their chances for success in the “real world.” Facilitated by: The Georgia Tech Alumni Association

THE GEORGIA TECH PIANO PROJECT: EXPLORING CREATIVE SUSTAINABILITY
Smithgall Student Services Building, Room 117
Come and learn more about the Piano Project! This unique initiative includes a co-curricular plan to connect civic engagement, the arts, mental health, and industrial design through fun, playable pianos located across campus. The project was inspired by British artist’s Play Me I’m Yours installation that encourages the public to engage with, activate, and take ownership of their urban environment. A small group of faculty and staff have taken this idea a few steps further with The Piano Project! The goal is to encourage student wellness and engagement in the arts by providing playable pianos for students to enjoy in select locations across campus, while also offering an Industrial Design learning experience in the process. The pianos will come to us from the Habitat for Humanity ReStore, allowing the Georgia Tech community to give new life to an old piano while connecting with a community service partner, the Habitat for Humanity. A select group of industrial design students will further explore how design can invigorate areas as they propose locations and graphic designs for more pianos on campus. Come learn more as we share our plan to merge civic engagement, the arts, mental health, and industrial design through pianos!
Presented by:
• Ann Gerondelis, Undergraduate Program Coordinator, School of Industrial Design
• Gerome Stephens, Ph.D., Director, Leadership & Civic Engagement, Division of Student Life
• Jennifer Kimball, Student & Artist Engagement Coordinator, Office of the Arts
• Lacy Currie, Ph.D., Coordinator of Suicide Prevention and Crisis Response, Counseling Center

1:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
CLIMB TIME! Campus Recreation Center
Fun for the entire family! The indoor rock wall on the first floor of the Campus Recreation Center (CRC) is a must see! The 39 foot wall is 2,000 sq. ft. of climbing space under a 100 ft. ceiling. Parents (not GT students or siblings) must be present when their children are at the climbing wall. Parents must sign a CRC waiver and a climbing wall specific waiver. If a young climber has their own youth-sized equipment, CRC will inspect their equipment for use. Adults must use the climbing equipment provided by the CRC. Minimum age is 8 years old to climb. New and experienced climbers welcome! Climbers (and their parents if they are under 18) should come directly to the wall to check in. Note: An estimated 20-25 climbers per hour may access the wall.

1:15 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
INSTITUTE UPDATE WITH PRESIDENT PETERSON
Ferst Center
Join us for a report from Dr. G.P. “Bud” Peterson, President of Georgia Institute of Technology, on the highlights of the past year and to learn Georgia Tech’s future plans and initiatives.

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2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.
GT HONORS PROGRAM OPEN HOUSE
Hefner/Armstrong Residence Halls,
West Campus
Parents of GT Honors Program students are invited to view the new home of the GT Honors Program Living Learning Community (LLC). Come meet the Honors Program staff, enjoy light refreshments and participate in various activities. The Hefner/Armstrong Residence Halls are located at the McMillian & 8th Street stop on the red & blue Stinger bus lines.

2:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.
FAMILY PHOTOS
Student Center, Tech Rec
SAY CHEESE! Get your family to take a fun picture together to capture the special memories of Georgia Tech’s Family Weekend. You will get a print to take with you and an electronic copy to share with others!

2:15 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
CLASSES WITHOUT QUIZZES
(Faculty Presentations)
Do you wish that you could enroll in a course or two at Georgia Tech? Do you wonder what your students are learning? Here is your opportunity to take class, but without having to take a test or quiz! Classes without Quizzes is your opportunity to participate in topical, entertaining and insightful talks by some of Georgia Tech’s leading faculty. Please note: space is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

SO YOU WANT TO BUILD A SATELLITE?
- DR. GLENN LIGHTSEY
Student Center Ballroom
Dr. Glenn Lightsey, a Professor in the Daniel Guggenheim School of Aerospace Engineering, will explore the economics of space flight, and how access to space has been fundamentally changed by the development of small satellites. He will present some of the space missions that Georgia Tech is currently working on and discuss how students can get involved.

Dr. Lightsey specializes in the dynamics and control of space vehicles using avionics sensors such as the Global Positioning System for navigation and attitude determination. Prior to Georgia Tech, he was the Founder and Director of the Texas Spacecraft Lab at The University of Texas, which designs, builds, and operates satellites with undergraduate and graduate students. His research program focuses on the technology of small satellites, including: guidance, navigation, and control systems; attitude determination and control; formation flying, satellite swarms, and satellite networks; cooperative control; proximity operations and unmanned spacecraft rendezvous; space based Global Positioning System receivers; radionavigation; visual navigation; propulsion; satellite operations; and space systems engineering.

WHAT HAS WORKED IN INVESTING
- DR. BARRY MARCHMAN
Student Center Theater
Dr. Barry Marchman, a lecturer in the Scheller College of Business, will present several investment strategies that have historically delivered superior returns in relation to the general market. You will learn how to use simple metrics to identify good value stocks. But remember, past performance is no guarantee of future results!

Dr. Marchman has been teaching finance classes at Georgia Tech since 2007. He has taught Corporate Finance, Investments, Derivative Securities, Trading, and Institutions. Every summer he teaches a high school program called Wall Street on West Peachtree. Prior to joining Georgia Tech, Dr. Marchman was an electrical engineer in the telecommunications field. He is a gentleman farmer, an investor, a father of 7 and a husband to 1. He serves on the Fayette County School Board and he is a deacon in his church. He coaches youth basketball and volunteers as a Boy Scout leader. He earned his electrical engineering degree at Georgia Tech and his MBA and Ph.D. at Florida State University. His consulting work includes valuation services and fee based portfolio management.

THE SECRET LANGUAGE OF SCIENCE FICTION
- DR. LISA YASZEK
Hall Building, Room 102
This class will introduce you to science fiction as the premiere story form used by authors, artists, and even scientists themselves to communicate new ideas about science and technology across centuries, continents, and cultures. After briefly exploring the history of the phrase “science fiction” and the key characteristics of this wildly popular genre, Professor Yaszek will share the secret language that science fiction insiders use to rank different kinds of speculative storytelling. Please come prepared to talk, to listen, and to learn something new!

Lisa Yaszek is Professor and Associate Chair in the School of Literature, Media, and Communication at Georgia Tech as well as past president of the Science Fiction Research Association. Her areas of expertise include science fiction, cultural history, and science and technology studies. Professor Yaszek is the author of books including Galactic Suburbia: Recovering Women’s Science Fiction (Ohio State University Press 2008) and co-editor of collections including the Configurations special double issue on science fiction author Kim Stanley Robinson (Winter-Spring 2012). She is currently completing an edited anthology called Sisters of Tomorrow: The First Women of Science Fiction for Wesleyan Press and serving as associate producer for the independent science fiction film Rite of Passage.
FROM NANOS TO COSMOS: WRITING SF AT GEORGIA TECH
– DR. KATHLEEN ANN GOONAN
Smithgall Student Services Building, Room 117

Georgia Tech, with its mission of being the defining research university of the 21st century, and its vision of international outreach, is, in essence, a science fiction think tank. Increasingly, as they attempt to address the important issues that we face, government agencies, non-profit organizations, and multi-national corporations consult science fiction writers in order to imagine the future through a science fictional lens.

But writing science fiction is not difficult, serious work—far from it! It is, instead, play for those who enjoy imagining and exploring what the future will be, what culture will mean, how we may change, and how we may remain the same. LMC is the perfect place to write the fiction that dreams those futures, and many students take advantage of the opportunity to do so in our science fiction and creative writing courses.

Kathleen Ann Goonan will discuss how students write science fiction at Georgia Tech, and highlight some of their successes. She invites those who want to write science fiction to become a part of the growing community of writers who may change the world—or just find immense personal satisfaction—by learning to write a great story in LMC or, perhaps, in a summer mini-course that would combine students, parents, and alumni from all walks of life who have never stopped dreaming of writing, someday.

Kathleen Ann Goonan, a Professor of the Practice in the School of Literature, Media, and Communication, is an award-winning science fiction writer. She has published seven novels, about fifty short stories, and regularly writes academic pieces about science fictional issues. She has also been a participant in the ongoing think-tank conversation between government, industry, NGO’s, and science fiction about envisioning the future. Her web site is www.goonan.com.

CLIMATE CHANGE: REVERSE ENGINEERING THE PLANET
Student Center, Peachtree Room

Dr. Dana Hartley will be using classroom pedagogy to engage you in learning about the different components of the climate system. She will be giving you the tools to understand the scientific issues behind the debates.

Dr. Hartley is a faculty member in the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences (aka EAS). She teaches several different classes including “Physics of the Weather” and “Atmospheric Chemistry”. These two courses touch on her passions. Of course, she has also been stuck with “Thermodynamics of the Earth System” and “Quantitative Techniques” for which she takes on the challenge to make them more interesting for her students than they were when she took them. She is currently the Undergraduate Coordinator in EAS, as well as Georgia Tech’s liaison for foster and homeless student support. To read more about that effort see embark.gatech.edu. In 2015, Dr. Hartley was named “Friend of the Student” by the Student Leadership organization, ODK. And, in 2013 she was named GT1000 Instructor of the Year.

2:15 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.
SUSTAINABLE CAMPUS TOUR
Please meet at the Transit Hub between Skiles and the Student Center.
Note: This tour is limited to the first 25 people.
Come see how holistic, integrated architecture plays an important part of Georgia Tech’s sustainability plan. Learn the ways different architects use a simple palette of ordinary materials in extraordinary ways to create award-winning sustainable designs. Discover architecture’s critical integration with landscape, engineering, technology, ecology, and fiscal stewardship. The award-winning Landscape Master Plan will be a highlight of this tour, with its emphasis on performance landscape, including the uniquely conceived EcoCommons.

Sponsored by the College of Architecture and the Capital Planning and Space Management Office.

2:15 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
FERST CENTER FOR THE ARTS BACKSTAGE TOUR
Please meet in the Ferst Center Lobby.
Note: This tour is limited to the first 30 people.
Join us for a backstage tour of the Ferst Center for the Arts, Georgia Tech’s theater and arts center. Learn how the magic of theatre happens from Production Manager and Technical Director Paul Cottongim, who will also talk about the show currently onstage, Huang Yi and KUKA, featuring Taiwanese artist Huang Yi and his company performing alongside a KUKA robot.

Visit the Barnes & Noble @ Georgia Tech Bookstore
Grab some Georgia Tech gear and show your Yellow Jacket Pride!
While you are in town this weekend, make sure to take your coupon located in your check-in folder and visit Burdell’s in the Student Center or the Barnes & Noble in Tech Square.

Barnes and Noble @ Georgia Tech:
Friday and Saturday, 8:00 A.M. – 10 P.M. and Sunday, 10:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.
Burdell’s:
Friday – 9:00 A.M – 5:00 P.M.

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**3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.**

**COLLEGE AND SCHOOL RECEPTIONS**

**Various Locations**

Enjoy getting to know Faculty and other school administrators in your student’s College or School. Staff will be available to answer your questions about specific programs.

**NEED DIRECTIONS?** Student Leaders will be escorting families from the Student Center to each reception. You may also get on the Family Weekend Shuttle that will be running a loop around campus to get to your location. Refer to the campus map on the program schedule or to your Guidebook App Map.

**COE: DANIEL GUGGENHEIM SCHOOL OF AEROSPACE ENGINEERING**

**Guggenheim Building, Room 442**  
www.ae.gatech.edu

Formal presentation will begin at 3:30 P.M. in the Guggenheim Building room 442. Students and faculty will conduct presentations. Light refreshments will be provided beginning at 3:00 p.m. Enter through the Montgomery Knight Building on 270 Ferst Drive and follow signs for Family Weekend reception.

Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center. Walking from the Student Center towards the Clough Building, walk across the right side of the green to Ferst Drive. Turn left when you get to Ferst Drive. Across the street, you will see a sign for the Montgomery Knight Building, 270 Ferst Drive.

**COE: WALLACE H. COULTER DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING**

**Whitaker Building, 1st Floor Student Lounge**  
www.bme.gatech.edu

Drop-in reception featuring student presentations from 3:30 P.M. - 4:15 P.M. A faculty lecture will begin at 4:15 P.M. in the Room 1103 of the Whitaker Building. Meet faculty, staff and students. Light refreshments will be served.

Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center or you may take the Family Weekend Shuttle to the corner of Ferst Drive/Atlantic Drive. Cross over Ferst Street and turn right. The Whitaker Building will be on your left. Guest may also take the Tech Trolley from the Student Center to the corner of Atlantic Drive.

**COE: SCHOOL OF CHEMICAL AND BIOMOLECULAR ENGINEERING**

**Ford Environmental Science and Technology Building, Main Atrium**  
www.chbe.gatech.edu

Drop-in reception with light refreshments will begin at 3:30 P.M. Faculty and advisors will be present to speak with parents.

Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center or you may take the Family Weekend Shuttle to the corner of Ferst Drive/Atlantic Drive. Cross over Ferst Street and turn right. The Ford Environmental Science and Technology Building will be down the street on your left.

**COE: SCHOOL OF ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING**

**Van Leer Building, 2nd floor**  
www.ece.gatech.edu

Drop-in reception with light refreshments. Student group presentations will begin promptly at 3:30 P.M. in the Van Leer Building 2nd floor west hall. An overview of the school will begin at 4:00 P.M. in room 240. The school Associate Chair along with faculty and students will be present to speak with parents. A Lab tour will start at 4:45PM. Participants will be escorted to the reception. The Van Leer Building is located on the other side of Tech Green from the Student Center.

**COE: H. MILTON STEWART SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING**

**School of Industrial and Systems Engineering Building (Main Building), ISyE Atrium**  
www.isye.gatech.edu

Drop-in reception with light refreshments. Reception and program will begin at 3:30 P.M. in the School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, Main Building, Atrium. The school chair and associate chair, along with faculty and advisors will be present to speak with parents. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center.

**COE: SCHOOL OF MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

**Love Building, 2nd floor Atrium**  
www.mse.gatech.edu

Drop by for an informal meet and greet and learn about all the interesting happenings in MSE. Faculty and advisors will be available to answer your questions and help guide MSE students in their career path. Light refreshments will be served. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center.
COE: GEORGE W. WOODRUFF SCHOOL OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
Manufacturing Related Disciplines Complex, 4th floor
www.me.gatech.edu
Drop-in reception with light refreshments, including an informational program by student advisors and displays by student organizations. ME faculty will be present to answer questions. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center.

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE
West Architecture Building, Atrium
www.coa.gatech.edu
Drop-in reception with light refreshments. The dean will welcome parents at 4:00 P.M. Student work from all undergraduate disciplines will be on display. The school chairs, faculty, staff and advisors will be present to speak with parents. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center.

COLLEGE OF COMPUTING
Klaus Advanced Computing Building, Atrium
www.cc.gatech.edu
Join members of the College of Computing as we celebrate our 25th year as a college and the 50th year of computer science education at Georgia Tech during our Family Weekend Reception. Learn about some of the most important moments in the College’s history, and team up with your family for a little computing trivia. Light refreshments will be served. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center or you make take the Family Weekend Shuttle to the stop in front of the Klaus Advanced Computing Building on Ferst Drive.

IVAN ALLEN COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
Habersham Building, Nunn Conference Room and Habersham Courtyard
www.iac.gatech.edu
Please join the Ivan Allen College of Liberal Arts for a drop-in reception with light refreshments. Faculty and advisors will be present to speak with parents, families, and guests. A special welcome from the dean of Ivan Allen College begins at 3:45 p.m. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center or you make take the Family Weekend Shuttle to the stop in front of the Habersham building.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES
Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons, Room 325
www.cos.gatech.edu
Drop-in reception with light refreshments. Program and lab tours will begin promptly at 3:30 P.M. The dean along with faculty and advisors will be present to speak with parents. Participants will be escorted to the reception from the Student Center.

ERNEST J. SCHELLER JR. COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
Scheller College of Business
www.scheller.gatech.edu
Participants are invited to a causal drop-in reception. Light refreshments will be provided. College advisors, career staff, and faculty will be present to speak with parents. Program/building tours will also be available for any interested participants. Participants are encouraged to take the Family Weekend Shuttle to the corner of 5th Street and West Peachtree Street - Scheller College of Business will be on the right.

5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
DINNER ON YOUR OWN
Dinner is on your own Friday night. Check with your student to see if they have any recommendations or suggestions for dinner. We would suggest any of the restaurants in Atlantic Station or Tech Square!

7:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.
FAMILY FUN NIGHT!
Various locations
Check out the various activities below for options for your family’s Friday night entertainment. Enjoy a night of family fun – Yellow Jacket-Style!

7:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.
FAMILY FUN NIGHT SWEETS & TREATS
Smithgall Student Services Building, Atrium
We invite you to stop by and enjoy some delicious fall desserts and meet other Georgia Tech families! Stop by before you attend the performance at the Ferst Center or take a break from bowling at Family Fun Night! Note: Desserts will be served as available, so this event may end before 9:30 p.m.

7:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.
BOWLING, BILLIARDS, & GAMES!
Tech Rec
Bowl with your family, play a few games, and have some fun as we close our first day of Family Weekend at Georgia Tech. Don’t forget to take your family photo if you haven’t already done so!

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7:30 P.M.
**MOVIE: DISNEY PIXAR’S INSIDE OUT**
Student Center Theater

If you didn’t get a chance to catch *Inside Out* this summer, come relax tonight in our Student Center Theater and enjoy! The film is about Riley - a happy, hockey-loving 11-year-old Midwestern girl, but her world turns upside-down when she and her parents move to San Francisco. Riley’s emotions—led by Joy—try to guide her through this difficult, life-changing event. However, the stress of the move brings Sadness to the forefront. When Joy and Sadness are inadvertently swept into the far reaches of Riley’s mind, the only emotions left in Headquarters are Anger, Fear and Disgust.

7:00 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.
**PAINT-A-PUMPKIN**
Student Center, Room 303

Georgia Tech Student Center’s Paper & Clay art studio will host a free fall art project. Come paint-a-pumpkin with your family and take it with you once you are done. Session limited to 25 participants at a time.

**Facilitator:** Carly Bloomingdale, Associate Program Director, Student Center

8:00 P.M.
**HUANG YI & KUKA**
Ferst Center

Acclaimed Taiwanese choreographer and dancer Huang Yi and his robot companion KUKA bring razor sharp precision and stunning artistry to the stage, harmoniously weaving together the art of dance and the science of mechanical engineering. HUANG YI & KUKA is a poetic work that flawlessly intertwines modern dance and visual arts with the realm of robotics.

Saturday, October 3

12:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
**FAMILY WEEKEND CHECK-IN**
Tech Tower Lawn/Parents Program Tent at Tailgate

9:00 A.M. – NOON
**COMMUNITY SERVICE IN ATLANTA**
Depart from the Georgia Tech Hotel & Conference Center

50 Family Weekend volunteers will work with Trees Atlanta, a nationally recognized group of citizens protecting and improving Atlanta’s urban forest through planting, conserving, and educating. Volunteers will assist with two major tree plantings. All ages are welcome; volunteers under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please note: this is an outdoor project. Volunteers will be working in the Grant Park area. A bus will depart from the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center at 8:30 a.m. to meet the project coordinator at the corner of Cherokee Avenue and Kendrick Avenue. The bus will return when the project is completed around 12:30 p.m.

**Gloves and bottled water will be provided.**

11:00 A.M. **YOGA**
Campus Recreation Center, Studio C

Focus on balance, posture, and breathing as you move from one dynamic yoga posture to the next. This class is designed to train flexibility, strength, balance, and coordination. All levels welcome.

1:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
**FAMILY WEEKEND TAILGATE**
Tech Tower Lawn

It’s TAILGATE time! Join other Georgia Tech families on Saturday for barbecue, student performances, family photos with the Wreck, face-painting, classic tailgate games. Cheer on the Yellow Jackets with the cheerleaders before heading to the big game. Don’t forget to keep an eye out for Buzz, he make be buzzing by on his way to the game!

**Transportation Reminder!**
Make sure to catch the Family Weekend Shuttle, next to the Student Center on Ferst Drive, by 10:00 P.M. to catch a ride back to Georgia Tech Hotel/Tech Square, the Renaissance Atlanta Midtown Hotel or the Courtyard Atlanta Midtown Hotel. Check in with the Parents Program staff if you need any assistance.
1:00 P.M.  
THE WALK DOWN YELLOW JACKET ALLEY  
Brittain Drive and 4th Street  
Be the first to greet the team! Make your way over to Yellow Jacket Alley (Brittain Drive) to see your favorite players up close and cheer them on as they march into Bobby Dodd Stadium. Listen for the whistle to blow 15 minutes before the team is to arrive.

3:30 P.M. KICK-OFF  
GEORGIA TECH VS. THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL  
FOOTBALL GAME  
Bobby Dodd Stadium  
Cheer on the Yellow Jackets to victory against the UNC Tarheels! All tickets are located in sections reserved for Family Weekend guests. Make sure to read the list of prohibited items for Bobby Dodd Stadium.

PROHIBITED ITEMS  
- Beverages  
- Food  
- Alcoholic beverages  
- Cans  
- Sealed bottles (empty bottles are permitted—water fountains are available)  
- Coolers  
- Thermos bottles  
- TVs  
- Ice bags  
- Bags and Backpacks larger than 14” x 10” x 5”  
- Umbrellas  
- Horns or other noisemakers  
- Laser pointers  
- Video cameras  
- Cameras with lenses longer than 4”  
- Pets  
- Large flags, banners or signs  
- Weapons  
- Strollers  
- Stadium seats with arms  
- Any other items deemed dangerous or inappropriate by security or game management.  

Please note: In keeping with current Homeland Security restrictions, Georgia Tech does not allow strollers or umbrellas to be left inside the gate entrances. Holding pens for these items can be found adjacent to the entrances at Gates 4 and 9.

Sunday, October 4

9:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.  
COMMUNITY SERVICE ON CAMPUS  
Meet in front of Tech Tower  
100 volunteers will meet at Tech Tower to plant hundreds of daffodil bulbs in the ivy in the area. Gloves and trowels will be provided. Please wear long sleeves, long pants and closed toe shoes as there may be some poison ivy in the area. Gloves and water will be provided.

10:00 A.M. – NOON  
BUS TOUR OF ATLANTA  
Buses will depart outside the Student Center on Ferst Drive  
Would you like to learn more about Atlanta? We invite you to take a ride on Sunday morning and see Atlanta’s beautiful sites and historic places. Seating is limited, so please check-in with the staff at Check-in to sign up in advance.

10:30 A.M. – NOON  
JAZZ BRUNCH WITH DEAN STEIN  
Student Center Ballroom  
Wrap-Up Family Weekend with the Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students, John Stein and a jazz performance by Georgia Tech students. Enjoy a delicious brunch buffet, mingling with other Georgia Tech families and wrapping up the weekend with your Georgia Tech student before saying “see you soon” and buzzing home. Don’t miss out on this final event of Family Weekend, with a slide show of photos capturing the weekend’s events.  
Note: Pre-registration for this event is required. This event is SOLD OUT.

Grand Challenges

Established in 2012 as a part of the Leadership Education and Development Program within the Division of Student Life and in partnership with the College of Engineering, Grand Challenges Living Learning Community promotes student-driven cross-disciplinary teams that investigate societally relevant technological and sociological problems.

Friday, October 2, 2015
Grand Challenges Family Weekend Reception  
Brittain Rec Classroom, 6:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.  
Note: For Grand Challenges Families – Invitation Only

Saturday, October 3, 2015
Grand Challenges Family Weekend Tailgate  
Tech Tower Lawn, 2 ½ Hours prior to kick-off  
Grand Challenges students and parents are welcome to join Grand Challenges during the official Family Weekend Tailgate (must have Family Weekend Tailgate tickets).
GREEK EVENTS

ALPHA EPSILON PI
Friday, October 2nd, 6:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.
Shabbat Services and Dinner for Georgia Tech Jewish Community
Kessler Campanile and Student Center Peachtree Room
Friday, October 2nd, 8:45 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.
Light Dessert/Reception Meet and Greet for Families
AEPI house
Saturday, October 3rd, Time to be Determined
Grill-Out Tailgate for Friends and Families
AEPI House

ALPHA DELTA PI
Alpha Delta Pi Cocktail Party
As tradition, the sisters of Alpha Delta Pi invite our families to our Cocktail Party on Friday, October 2nd. The event will take place at Alma Cocina from 6:30-9:30pm, and all family members in town are encouraged to come. Cost is max $22 and a link to RSVP has been emailed to sisters.

Alpha Delta Pi Family Tailgate
The sisters of Alpha Delta Pi open their home to their families to enjoy a tailgate on Saturday, October 3rd. We are excited for our families to join us at the sorority house to socialize and eat before heading to the game to cheer on the Yellow Jackets against UNC. Cost is max $10 and a link to RSVP was emailed to sisters.

ALPHA PHI
Friday, October 2nd, 8:00pm - 11:00pm
Alpha Phi Red Dress Gala and Casino Night
The Historic Academy of Medicine at Georgia Tech - 875 West Peachtree Street NW
The sisters of Alpha Phi Iota Mu cordially invite you to the 7th Annual Red Dress Casino Night. The evening will consist of a silent auction, music, raffles, casino games, and more. All proceeds go to benefit the Alpha Phi Foundation and the quest for Heart Disease research. There will be a cash bar and light cocktail food served. Attire is black tie or formal. Red is admired but not required! Cost: $45.00
Learn more and purchase tickets to this event: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/alpha-phi-iota-mu-red-dress-casino-night-2015-tickets-17409733983

CHI PSI
Saturday, October 3rd, 10 A.M. – until?
Chi Psi Family Cookout
The Lodge - 150 4th Street NW, Atlanta
Family cookout and tailgate and cornhole tournament
Audience: Family of Chi Psi students and alumni
Cost: Covered by brotherhood funds

DELTA TAU DELTA
Saturday, October 3rd, 10 A.M. until the game begins.
Delta Tau Delta Family Brunch and Tailgate
The Delta Shelter: 227 4th ST NW, Atlanta
Friends and family of Delta Tau Delta, join us as we host our game day brunch and tailgate. Brunch is served until noon, then we switch to a traditional tailgate spread until the start of the game. Throughout the day, brothers will be giving house tours as well as presenting a slide show highlighting the great things we’ve accomplished over the past year. We can’t wait to see you! Go Jackets!! Cost: None.
Audience: Delta Tau Delta Brothers and their families

PHI KAPPA SIGMA
Saturday, October 3, 2015
Phi Kappa Sigma Family Weekend Tailgate and Evening Social
Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity House
783 Techwood Drive NW, Atlanta, GA 30313
The Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity–Alpha Nu Chapter invites all parents of Brothers attending Georgia Tech to a family-friendly tailgate before the Georgia Tech vs. North Carolina football game. Tailgating will begin 4 hours prior to kickoff at the Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity House. The Brothers will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks, and we would greatly appreciate if each family would bring a side.
After the game, parents are invited to an Evening Social, 7 P.M. - 10 P.M. at Manuel’s Tavern, 602 North Highland Avenue NE, Atlanta. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet the Brothers and their parents. Hors d’oeuvres will be provided.
Please RSVP to Zachary Meeks via email, zcm11@aol.com, or phone, (918) 515-0052 by September 26, 2015.

ZETA TAU ALPHA
Friday, October 2nd, 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Zeta Tau Alpha Family Cocktail Reception
Georgia Tech Hotel
Light food and drinks will be provided at the Georgia Tech Hotel, and the families of Zeta Tau Alpha will have the opportunity to meet each other and mingle. Intended Audience: Sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha and their families. No Cost.
Saturday, October 3rd, 11 A.M. - until the game begins
Georgia Tech UNC Tailgate, Zeta Tau Alpha
Food will be served at the Zeta Tau Alpha house as everyone prepares to go watch Georgia Tech play UNC at Bobby Dodd! Intended Audience: Sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha and their families. No Cost.
Religious Services

Georgia Tech Catholic Center celebrates 30 years on 4th Street
This year, the Catholic Center celebrates a big milestone: 30 years on 4th Street! Everyone is invited to join us for the festivities!

Gala and Silent Auction hosted by Coach Bobby Cremins and Fr. Josh Allen on Friday, October 2, at the Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center

Tailgate Party on Saturday, October 3, at the CC

Anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop David Talley on Sunday, October 4, at 11:30 a.m. at the CC.

For tickets and details about our 30th Anniversary Gala, please visit http://www.gtcatholic.org/gala/

Mishpacha in the Sukkah Shabbat Service
Kessler Campanile, 6:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.
Celebrate Shabbat with the Georgia Tech Jewish community! Join us Friday night for “Mishpacha in the Sukkah”, a pluralistic Shabbat service hosted by Hillel of Georgia Tech and Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity. Service from 6:00 - 7:00 P.M. immediately followed by dinner in the Student Center Peachtree Room. Please RSVP to Veronica@gthillel.org. We hope to see you there!

Rohr Chabad House Hosts Shabbat Dinner
471 10th Street, NW
Is your student missing that home-style Shabbat dinner? Chabad at Georgia Tech will be hosting a beautiful sushi-in-the-Sukkah Shabbat dinner on Friday, October 2, (during Family Weekend) in the sukkah. All parents and family are welcome to attend! For more information, contact info@chabadgtu.com. www.chabadgatech.com.

Wesley Foundation at Georgia Tech–Sunday Celebration/World Communion Day
189 4th Street, NW, 11:00 A.M.
“Sunday Celebration” is a traditional, yet informal, worship experience sponsored by the Wesley Foundation at Georgia Tech. All are welcome to worship and celebrate World Communion Sunday with us.

Throughout The Weekend
Enjoy all that Georgia Tech and Atlanta Have to Offer!

- Visit the Barnes & Noble @ Georgia Tech Bookstore located in Technology Square. Don't forget to use your coupon from your check-in folder! Store Hours – Friday and Saturday: 8 A.M. – 10 P.M. and Sunday: 10 A.M. – 6 P.M.
- Experience the world’s largest aquarium – the Georgia Aquarium
- Visit the College Football Hall of Fame
- Visit the High Museum of Art and check out all the cool exhibits
- Learn more about the world around you at the Center for Civil and Human Rights
- Visit the Campus Recreation Center with your weekend pass

Don't forget to tag your photos #GTFamilyWeekend15 to share your memories! GO JACKETS!
Discounts for Atlanta Attractions

Check out the discounted listed below to local attractions that are for your Georgia Tech parents and families! Have fun exploring Atlanta!

**Center for Civil and Human Rights**
The Center for Civil and Human Rights is Atlanta's newest, award-winning cultural gem. In 2014, The New York Times called The Center Atlanta's “main event" and Interior Design Magazine named us “Best of the Year.” Our must-see exhibitions connect the American Civil Rights Movement to the Global Human Rights Movements through dynamic touch-screen technology, powerful videos, original recordings and individual stories of courage. The Center serves as the exclusive public venue for the Morehouse College Martin Luther King, Jr. Collection, a rotating display of 13,000 artifacts that convey the profound impact of King’s life and legacy.

Get 20% off the adult general admission ticket at the window during Family Weekend only. http://bit.ly/1FpZ6oo

Parking: Parking is available at the World of Coca-Cola or Georgia Aquarium parking garages.

**College Football Hall of Fame**
Get in the game today at the College Football Hall of Fame and Chick-fil-A Fan Experience. Exceeding expectations at every turn, get ready for engaging and interactive fun from the moment you set foot in the building—whether you are a football fan or not! From the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl Skill Zone on our 45-yard playing field, to picking the winning team at the ESPN College GameDay Desk Built by The Home Depot and calling a legendary play in the AT&T Call the Play booth, guests will have a unique and personalized experience every time they visit the Hall. Located in the heart of downtown Atlanta near Centennial Olympic Park with easy access to parking, area restaurants and other amazing attractions, the College Football Hall of Fame and Chick-fil-A Fan Experience is a must-see attraction for the entire family!

Discount: To get 20% off your ticket price, visit this link http://bit.ly/1OM0ljG =and use the code 2015TECHFAMWKND

Hours: Friday: 10:00 am – 9:00 pm; Saturday & Sunday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm.

Parking: Convenient parking located in the Woodruff Arts Center parking garage located on Arts Center Way, in between 15th and 16th streets. Parking is $12.

Don’t forget, if your student has a Woodruff Arts Center Georgia Tech Season Pass, he or she gets in free! Just go to http://www.woodruffcenter.org/GATech.aspx for more information.

**Georgia Aquarium**
Georgia Aquarium is an entertaining, intriguing and educational experience for guests of all ages. While promoting a fun and enjoyable learning experience, the Aquarium instills in its guests a new appreciation for the world's aquatic biodiversity.

One of the Georgia Aquarium’s major goals is to be the leading facility for aquatic animal conservation and research. On a global scale, the Georgia Aquarium supports, conducts and leads research on environmental and conservation issues.

Discount: Save $7.00 per adult ticket by visiting http://bit.ly/1FpZumA

Hours: Friday and Sunday: 10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. and Saturday: 9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Parking: Parking is $10 per vehicle and the parking deck is located at 357 Luckie Street, NW Atlanta, GA.

**High Museum of Art**
This year the Georgia Tech Parents Program invites Family Weekend guests to visit the High Museum of Art from October 2-4th and explore one of nation's premiere art museums. Exhibits include: “American Encounters: The Simple Pleasures of Still Life,” “Los Trompos,” and over 14,000 pieces in our Permanent Collection.

Discount: Guests will receive a discounted price of $10 (regular price is $19.50) when they show their Family Weekend name tag at the sales desk. To purchase tickets in advance online, visit http://bit.ly/1j3DOCU

Once on this page, select the date you wish to visit, input “GTFW” promo code, click apply, and the $10 rate will appear.

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NEED ASSISTANCE?
Call the Parents Program office at 404-385-1396 throughout the weekend during scheduled events.
Questions & Answers

What happens if it rains?
Rain or shine, all events will occur.

How should we dress for the weather?
Please dress comfortably and casually. We recommend walking shoes for those who plan to walk around campus. We hope for good weather, but please be prepared in case of rain. Note: Umbrellas are not permitted in Bobby Dodd Stadium.

Where should we park?
Parking for Friday, October 2nd is included in your registration and families will be assigned various locations around campus to park as classes are still in session on Friday and parking is limited. Families will be assigned different lots around campus, so please check your email to learn more about parking that was assigned to your family.

Parking for Saturday, October 3rd for the Family Weekend Tailgate and football game is not included in the registration fee nor is the Parents Program able to sell parking vouchers for Saturday. Please note, all Georgia Tech parking areas are restricted on game days beginning 6 hours prior to game time. Game day parking is available at various pay lots around campus and in the Technology Square Parking Deck. Guests who are staying at hotels within walking distance to campus and Bobby Dodd stadium are encouraged to leave their cars at their hotels. Visit this link to purchase your parking pass in advance:
http://www.ramblinwreck.com/sports/m-footbl/spec-rel/parking.html
Single game handicap parking is available along Ferst Drive adjacent to the Student Center and may only be purchased the day of the game. A valid handicap permit is required and the cost is $30/game, cash only. Golf cart service will be available to those family members who are unable to walk the distance to the stadium.

Parking for Sunday, October 4th is located in the Student Center Parking Deck and is free for the day.

Transportation & Getting Around Campus

Friday, October 2: A Family Weekend Shuttle (Stinger buses) will be running a loop around campus from 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. to the following locations: Georgia Tech Hotel & Conference Center Renaissance Atlanta Midtown Hotel (Pick-up and Drop-off located across the street from the hotel) Courtyard Atlanta Midtown Hotel (on Techwood Drive) Georgia Tech Student Center located on 350 Ferst Drive
During the College & School Receptions additional routes will be added between 3 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. to take families to various academic buildings around campus. Consult your schedule for your specific College or Department for more information.

Saturday and Sunday, October 3–4: There will not be a Family Weekend Shuttle on Saturday or Sunday. Families are encouraged to walk, drive and park on campus, or take a cab.

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Please call the Parents Program office at 404-385-1396 throughout the weekend for assistance. The phone will be answered during scheduled events on each day.

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