Overview
As part of Institute Diversity’s Center for Student Diversity and Inclusion, OMED: Educational Services is charged with the retention and development of traditionally underrepresented students: African-American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American, and Multiracial. However, its programs and initiatives are open to all Georgia Tech students.

In the years ahead, we must continue to enhance a culture of collegiality, close collaboration, global perspective, intercultural sensitivity and respect, and thoughtful interaction among a diverse community.

— Georgia Tech’s Strategic Plan: Designing the Future
Mission
To successfully transform today’s gifted yet inexperienced student into tomorrow’s promising leader.

Vision
To create and maintain a culture of academic and inclusive excellence, empowering students to be proactive learners and problem-solvers.

Programs
OMED: Educational Services offers the following programs:

- **Academic Support** – Provides study sessions, guided group study, and concept classes to students year-round.
- **Challenge** – Helps prepare incoming freshmen for a successful college career, both academically and socially, during a five-week intensive summer program.
- **Edge** – Offers support from upperclassmen who serve as mentors to assist first-year students academically and socially.
- **GT-PRIME (African-American Male Initiative from the University System of Georgia)** – Provides academic resources, motivation, mentoring, and leadership training to increase the enrollment, retention, and graduation of black males at Georgia Tech.
- **Student Ambassadors** – Engages students to serve as strong OMED advocates for current and prospective students and their families, faculty, staff, alumni, and strategic partners and supporters.
- **Transitions** – Enables graduate students and dual-degree/transfer students to network with peers, faculty, and staff as they settle into Georgia Tech.

Georgia Tech is consistently ranked as one of the nation’s top schools for awarding bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in STEM fields to African-Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans.

— Diverse: Issues in Higher Education

“Because of the Challenge program, I met some of my closest friends and earned a 4.0 GPA during my first semester at Tech. I am successful today because of OMED and its staff.”

— Kyle Woumn, undergraduate student, School of Computer Science

Awards and Recognitions
The Tower Awards is an annual ceremony that celebrates the academic achievements of underrepresented students who have attained a 3.15 GPA or higher.

Campus Organizations
OMED: Educational Services works closely with Tech’s student organizations that serve underrepresented students. To view these organizations, visit omed.gatech.edu/CampusOrganizations.

“Thank you to OMED and Georgia Tech for helping educate the next generation of leaders, and we look forward to supporting your future initiatives.”

— Geoffrey P. Morris, scientific affairs manager, 3M, and alumnus, College of Engineering