



Incoming first-year students participate in the Challenge program to prepare for life at Tech.

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*

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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:

- » **African-American Male Initiative (AAMI)** – Provides academic resources, mentoring, and leadership training to support the enrollment, retention, graduation, and career placement of black males.
- » **Academic Support** – Provides study sessions, guided group study, and concept classes to students year-round.
- » **Challenge** – Assists incoming first-year students to prepare for a successful college career, academically, socially, and professionally, during a five-week intensive summer program.
- » **Edge** – Offers support from upperclassmen who serve as mentors to assist first-year students academically and socially.
- » **Transitions** – Enables graduate students and dual-degree/transfer students to network with peers, faculty, and staff as they settle into Georgia Tech.
- » **Women of Color Initiative (WOCI)** – Supports the professional and leadership development of women of color and enhances the advancement of women in industry, research, and higher education.

“Thank you to OMED and Georgia Tech for helping educate the next generation of leaders.”

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



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*



“I participated in Challenge 2018, and it really made all the difference in how well I have done at Georgia Tech.”

— *Challenge Program Participant*

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.

