

## Undergraduate Executive Branch Application 2016-2017

To our fellow Yellow Jackets:

Student Government association elections are underway and the immediate step is to select a competent and motivated team to comprise next year's Executive Branch. The current 2015-2016 executive cabinet is conducting the application process, however, the newly elected President and Vice President will be conducting interviews and selecting the 2016-2017 executive cabinet.

This team will work together to help progress campus initiatives and improve the student experience. Needless to say, a cohesive team that strives towards a common goal is a powerful force for positive change and we could not hope to make such a difference in the lives of Georgia Tech students without your support.

Thank you for your interest in being involved in this year's Executive Branch of the Undergraduate Student Government Association. We look forward to an excellent year of growth both within SGA and throughout the campus at large.

When writing your application, please be sure to look back at current campaign team's platforms as well as becoming well acquainted with existing campus issues. You can identify the initiatives in which you are personally interested and utilize this to better select committee chair or cabinet positions that align with your interests.

Again, we want to thank you for your passion to improve the student experience. If you apply and are not selected to be a cabinet member or committee chair, we hope you will still choose to stay involved in SGA. There are countless ways to direct your passion towards improving the campus, such as becoming a member of any one of our numerous committees.

In Progress and Service,
Student Government Association



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\*Due Friday, April 22nd at 11 PM to <a href="mailto:shanemudrinich@gmail.com">shanemudrinich@gmail.com</a>\*

## Position(s) Seeking

Indicate one or more and rank your preferences if applying for multiple positions. Please note: each individual selected to a Cabinet or Committee Chair position is required to attend a mandatory retreat during the month of September (tentative date is September 23-25). If you are selected and cannot attend the retreat, you risk forfeiting your position.

| Executive Cabinet                                      |   |
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| The Executive Cabinet will meet weekly on Mondays      | from 7-9 PM. They will also be expected to attend UHR   |
| Tuesdays at 7:30 PM.                                   |   |
| Joint Vice President of Finance                        |   |
| Joint Vice President of Campus Organizations           |   |
| Joint Vice President of Information Technology         |   |
| Vice President of Academic Affairs                     |   |
| Vice President of Student Life                         |   |
| Vice President of Campus Services                      |   |
| Vice President of External Affairs                     |   |
| Vice President of Communications                       |   |
| Vice President of Internal Affairs                     |   |
| Chief of Staff   |   |
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| Committee Chairs & Specialists                         |   |
| Committee Chairs & specialists will meet at the discre | etion of their Vice President in charge of their board. |
| President  | Campus Services Board                                   |
| Elections  | Sustainability  |
| Sexual Violence Advisory Board                         | Parking & Transportation                                |
|  | Auxiliary Services                                      |
| Information Technology Board                           | Campus Infrastructure                                   |
| Cyber Security and IT Policy                           |   |
| Internal Information Systems                           | Campus Organizations Board                              |
| New Projects and Initiatives                           | Joint Campus Organizations Committee (Co-Chair)         |
| Academic Affairs Board                                 | External Affairs Board                                  |
| Academic Support                                       | Institute Wide Committees Coordinator                   |
| Student-Faculty Development                            | Government Relations (Co-Chair)                         |
| Educational Enhancement                                | Community Relations (Co-Chair)                          |
| Curriculum & Institute Policies                        |   |
|  | Communications Board                                    |
| Student Life Board                                     | Photographer  |
| Cultural & Diversity Affairs (Co-Chair)                | Public Relations (Co-Chair)                             |
| Wellness (Co-Chair)                                    | Graphic Design  |
| Athletics (Co-Chair)                                   | Special Events (Co-Chair)                               |
| Internal Affairs B                                     | <u>Board</u>  |
| Leadership   | Development   |

Alumni Relations



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| Applicant information       |                         |                                |                 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Name:                       |                         |                                |                 |
| GT E-mail:                  |                         |                                |                 |
| Phone Number:               |                         | GT ID:                         |                 |
| Major:                      |                         | Year at Tech:                  |                 |
| Are you in Good Standing wi | th the Registrar? If so | , may SGA verify your Good Sta | nding? (circle) |
|                             | YES                     | NO                             |                 |
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| Time Commitments            |                         |                                |                 |

Please answer this section on a separate sheet of paper. Limit responses to 5 sentences per question.

- 1. What are your commitments (academic, extracurricular, and work) for the upcoming year?
- 2. How would this SGA position be ranked amongst your time commitments?
- 3. What are your plans for this semester?
- 4. Will you be available for a 30 minute interview between Saturday April 23 Friday April 29?

#### Short Answer

Please answer this section on a separate sheet of paper. Limit responses to 10 sentences per question. If applying for multiple positions, please answer questions 3 & 4 separately for each position.

- 1. What leadership experience have you had that qualify you for this position?
- 2. How can Student Government improve next year?
- 3. Why are you applying for the position(s)?
- 4. What ideas or initiatives do you intend to pursue through this position? If there are parts of our platform that you have specific ideas on how to implement, please include that here.

Please send an application to <a href="mailto:shanemudrinich@gmail.com">shanemudrinich@gmail.com</a> AND turn in a paper copy of this application to Georgia Braxton in the SGA Office (across from Subway in the Student Center) at 11 PM. If the office is locked, please slide the application under the door. If selected for an interview, you will be contacted via email on April 23 to schedule your time slot. In order to be considered for an interview, you will need to respond by 7 PM on April 24. SGA reserves the right to reopen the application process at any time. Thank you for your application and best of luck!



## Description of Executive Cabinet Positions 2016-2017

### President, Jennifer Abrams (jenabrams12@gmail.com)

The Student Body President sets the guiding mission and vision for all 350+ SGA members. He or she must ensure that SGA works to effectively empower student organizations, embody student opinion, preserve student integrity, and enrich the undergraduate student experience. Primarily, the President serves as the formal student point of contact for news outlets, state legislature,, several Georgia Tech Boards of Trustees, and other high-level advisory groups.

## Executive Vice President, Jefferson Losse (<a href="mailto:jefflosse@gmail.com">jefflosse@gmail.com</a>)

The Executive Vice President leads the executive branch of SGA. He or she works to create a cohesive executive board, as well as develop them as leaders. He or she fills in for the President whenever he or she is unavailable.

### Joint Vice President of Finance, Decker Onken (<a href="mailto:decker.onken@gatech.edu">decker.onken@gatech.edu</a>)

The role of the Vice President of Finance is to serve as the chief financial advisor to the Undergraduate and Graduate Student Government Associations. VPF shall oversee the budget process and also serve as the chair of the Joint Finance Committee, which meets weekly. This position requires unbiased decisions in regards to policy to treat all organizations equally.

Joint Vice President of Campus Organizations, Justin Eisenberg (justin.eisenberg@gatech.edu) The role of the Vice President of Campus Organizations will be to serve as a resource for Campus Organizations. This position serves as a representative to SAC, a liaison to the Office of Leadership and Civic Engagement, and will be responsible for further developing JacketPages and fostering opportunities for organizational collaboration.

## Joint Vice President of Information Technology, Kunal Mehan (<a href="mailto:mehan@gatech.edu">mehan@gatech.edu</a>)

The VP of Information Technology will focus on developing the strategic plan for the future of academic and campus life resources at Georgia Tech. Considering the changes in the software industry and Institute policy, as well as the effects of these resources upon students, this person is responsible for the continuation and stability of all IT resources under the position. This position will head the think-tank for the development/implementation of new technologies, maintenance and restructuring of current IT resources, and interfacing with the Communications Board on SGA's website/digest oversight.

## Vice President of Academic Affairs, Adam Greenstein (adamdgreenstein@gmail.com)

The Vice President of Academic Affairs must have an extensive understanding of Institute policies and the organizations involved in order to lobby for student interests successfully. The Vice President of Academic Affairs should identify strategic campus-wide goals to promote in regular meetings with administrators and on Institute Wide Committees. The Vice President of Academic Affairs oversees the four academic committees and should be able to help them navigate the administration and plan events and initiatives successfully.



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## Vice President of Student Life, Nagela Nukuna (<a href="mailto:nukuna.nagela@gmail.com">nukuna.nagela@gmail.com</a>)

This position is purposed to assess and meet the needs to better student life on Georgia Tech's campus and be the voice to the administration as to how to fill the gaps of needs not being met on campus. The committees falling under this position include: Athletics & Recreation, Cultural & Diversity Affairs, and Wellness.

## Vice President of Campus Services, Anuraag Bahl (<a href="mailto:abahl@gatech.edu">abahl@gatech.edu</a>)

This position is purposed to address all needs of campus services provided to students. This position works closely with the entirety of the campus services department as well as various other departments effecting services provided to student to determine how the needs of the student body are being met and can be improved. The committees falling under this position are: Auxiliary Services, Parking & Transportation, Planning & Development, and the Sustainability committee.

### Vice President of External Affairs, Eric Johnston (ejohnstonks@gmail.com)

The Vice President of External Affairs will focus on increasing Georgia Tech's presence in the surrounding community through civic engagement, community service, and collaboration with students throughout Atlanta and Georgia. This person will be responsible for working with the Government Relations, Community Relations, and Institute-Wide Committees and will coordinate numerous events with Atlanta partners throughout the year.

#### Vice President of Communications, Ben Nickel (bjnickel@gatech.edu)

The Vice President of Communications serves as the President's chief advisor on Student opinion. As chairperson of the Campus Communications Board, the Vice President of Communications is responsible for coordinating the various committees within the Communications Board, representing the Student Government's voice on key issues to both administrators and students, and ensuring that all stakeholders in the Undergraduate Student Government are informed of the issues most important to students.

#### Vice President of Internal Affairs, Anju Suresh (<a href="mailto:shilpa.anju.suresh@gmail.com">shilpa.anju.suresh@gmail.com</a>)

The Director of Internal Affairs is charged with fostering a more cohesive Student Government, so that each member, regardless of position, has options to become more integrally involved in the organization. Additionally, the Director will create leadership opportunities for members of SGA using the Leadership Endowment Fund. The director also reviews the Bylaws, the Constitution, and all other policies to ensure consistency and up-to-date versions. The director will be responsible for putting on the Fall SGA retreat and Spring Banquet and being the individual in charge of holding each position in the organization accountable.



## Description of Executive Committees 2016-2017

#### Under the President

### Elections Committee, Matthew Daigle (<a href="mailto:mdaigle6@gatech.edu">mdaigle6@gatech.edu</a>)

Vision: Continue to make elections fair and even by preserving the student's integrity with the new Elections code. Mission: Meet with the Student Body President, the Dean of Students, and the Elections committee to enforce the Elections Code.

#### Sexual Violence Student Advisory Board, Lucy Squires (<a href="mailto:squires22@gmail.com">squires22@gmail.com</a>)

Vision: Create a campus where all students, faculty, and staff are protected and supported on all matters related to sexual and domestic violence.

Mission: To ensure that both students and faculty are actively working to create a campus that is safe for all Tech students in matters relating to sexual and domestic violence.

#### Under the Executive Vice President

#### FreShGA (No application available)

Vision: To invest in a group of freshmen in hopes they become leaders on campus and within SGA.

Mission: To create an environment where freshmen can get to know each other, grow their leadership skills, and plan events.

#### Vice President of Finance

#### **Joint Finance Committee** (Chaired by Vice President Finance)

Vision: Promote fiscal responsibility in the use of Student Activities Fee.

Mission: To make recommendations to the House and the Senate based on and in regards to policy.

#### Vice President of Campus Organizations

Joint Campus Organizations Committee, D'Andre Waller (dandre.waller@gatech.edu)

Vision: To create a community filled with unique and purpose driven student organizations.

Mission: To provide an equitable experience for student organizations so they can succeed.

#### Information Technology Board

**CyberSecurity and IT Policy Committee:** Will be in charge of providing input and lobbying for student friendly Information Technology Policy at the institute. They will also work with OIT to secure institute resources and SGA IT Products.

**Internal Information Systems:** Will be in charge of managing and structuring the Student Government's internal information, promoting the development of effective tools that will assist in the functioning of the Student Government.

**New Projects and Initiatives:** Will be in charge of seeking student opinion on the developments on new web tools and projects that could be beneficial to the student body of the institute.

#### **Academic Affairs Board**

#### Teaching and Learning Services, Brenna Fromayan (brenna.fromayan@gatech.edu)

Vision: To assist in creating a healthy, challenging, and nurturing academic environment to produce "Helluva Engineers".

Mission: To help connect Georgia Tech students to the right resources, faculties and other avenues needed to successfully graduate from Tech.

### Student-Faculty Development, Lizzie Lisenby (<a href="mailto:lisenbylizzie@gmail.com">lisenbylizzie@gmail.com</a>)

Vision: Symbiotic relationships between students and faculty at the Institute.

Mission: To facilitate and improve communication between faculty and students.



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#### Academic Affairs Board (continued)

Educational Enhancement, Lauren Lucas (<u>llucas6@gatech.edu</u>)

Vision: To promote a more holistic educational program at Tech.

Mission: To provide academic opportunities for students beyond the typical classroom curriculum such as undergraduate research, international education, and coop/internship.

Curriculum & Institute Policies, Abhinav Jha (abhinavjha11@gmail.com)

Vision: To guarantee the promise of a great education at Georgia Tech.

Mission: To advocate for the students' interest on matters of curriculum and policy.

### Student LIfe Board

Cultural & Diversity Affairs, Morgan Foreman (morgan.foreman13@gmail.com)

Vision: To be not just an advocate, but a defender of all students, and to aid in advancing a culture of Inclusive Excellence within the Georgia Tech Community.

Mission: CDAC stands as a committee of dreamers and doers who consistently strive to foster an inclusive intellectual environment by increasing Georgia Tech's multicultural competence and appreciation for our diverse student body and cultural/diversity organizations.

Wellness, Ryan Dunn (rdunn30@gatech.edu) and Alec Kaye (akaye3@gatech.edu)

Vision: To make Georgia Tech the healthiest campus in the nation.

Mission: To empower students to take control of their physical, mental, emotional, and spirtiual well being.

Athletics & Recreation, Amy Hart (ahart8@gatech.edu) & Carson Kelley (ckelley30@gatech.edu)

Vision: Bring together the student body through playing and observing athletics.

Mission: To educate the student body on the varsity and recreational sports the institution has to offer, advocate for an active campus, and create the atmosphere for students to enjoy attending Georgia Tech sporting events.

#### Campus Servicess Board

Parking & Transportation, Dev Mandavia (<a href="mailto:ddmandavia@gmail.com">ddmandavia@gmail.com</a>)

Vision: Create hassle-free and responsive transportation options to help students move throughout GT.

Mission: To provide safe, reliable, and customer friendly parking and transportation option with PTSs.

Auxiliary Services, Tanuj Maheshwari (tmaheshwari3@gatech.edu)

Vision: Continue to serve for the betterment of Georgia Tech.

Mission: We improve student life by advocating for their needs.

Campus Infrastructure, Darryl Terry (<a href="mailto:darrylterry2@gatech.edu">darrylterry2@gatech.edu</a>)

Vision: Bridge between students & administration to develop a world leading and accommodating institute.

Mission: Ensuring the constant communication between students and administration, on all types of campus development matters.

Sustainability, Ben Ibach (bibach3@gatech.edu) & Brian Schmatz (bschmatz@gatech.edu)

Vision: To make Georgia Tech the country's exemplar urban university for environmental sustainability using student voices, student initiatives, and student leadership.

Mission: To facilitate cooperation between faculty, staff and student sustainability movements and present a united front for Georgia Tech Sustainability efforts in our interactions with the City of Atlanta and larger global community, and further to be direct advocates for students' sustainability concerns in SGA.



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#### **External Affairs Board**

**Government Relations**, Renee Dodson (<u>1reneed@comcast.net</u>)

Vision: To empower, educate, and advocate for the Georgia Tech student body. The Student Lobby Board provides opportunities for education and builds relationships between the student body and local, state, and national governments.

Mission:To have a politically empowered and educated campus

Community Relations, Fisher Wright (<a href="mailto:fwright8@gatech.edu">fwright8@gatech.edu</a>)

Vision: To inspire students to see both Georgia Tech and Atlanta as their home.

Mission: CR creates opportunities for students to learn about and engage in Atlanta's development.

Institute Wide Committees Coordinator, Matteo Valles (<a href="mailto:matteovalles@gmail.com">matteovalles@gmail.com</a>)

Vision: To actively represent student opinion directly to faculty and administrators, and enact policy changes to improve student life.

Mission: To engage students to be able to affect developments in specific campus issue as representatives in IWC's.

#### **Communications Board**

Public Relations, Tim Park (timjpark11@gmail.com)

Vision: Serve as a link between members of SGA and its constituents

Mission: To communicate initiatives, policy changes, and money allocations to the students and conversely serve as a platform for students and organizations to communicate their ideas, concerns, and questions back to SGA

Graphic Design, Brian Seo (<a href="mailto:seobrian30@gmail.com">seobrian30@gmail.com</a>)

Vision: To create a cohesive brand for SGA and the events we endorse.

Mission: To make eye-catching graphics that inform students about what is going on in SGA and on campus.

Special Events, Kelly Albano (kalbano@gatech.edu)

Vision: To facilitate opportunities for students to fuse a stronger connection with our University

Mission: To inspire and reinvigorate in students a true love and passion for our University through giving back to the students and showing our appreciation for them. To help students form a strong connection with our school.

Photographer, Brian Seo (<a href="mailto:seobrian30@gmail.com">seobrian30@gmail.com</a>)

Vision: To document for years to come what SGA is working on, and help communicate that story to the rest of campus.

Mission: To take beautiful pictures of SGA events.

## **Internal Affairs Board**

Leadership Development, Neeki Memarzadeh (nmemarzadeh@gatech.edu)

Vision: To equip students with a variety of leadership skills which will serve them in their daily lives.

Mission: To create and improve leaders around campus

Alumni Relations, Leanne Francis (<a href="mailto:lfrancis7@gatech.edu">lfrancis7@gatech.edu</a>)

Vision: Establish an endowment fund to which alumni can directly donate.

Mission: To provide SGA with continued direct funding to accomplish our goals.