



# The Whistle

Work and Life at Georgia Tech **Monday, Jan. 5, 2026**



## Find a Mentor During National Mentoring Month

January is National Mentoring Month, and employees are encouraged to join MentorTech to maximize their career development.



## Suggestions for Your Bookshelf

The Professional Education community shares books that challenged, inspired, and entertained them during the past year.



## From First-Years to Faculty, How Bras Cultivates Leadership

Rafael Bras is a renowned scholar and leading voice in the field of hydrology. These days, he is most passionate about sharing lessons on leadership to students of all ages.



## Getting to Know You



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## Human Resources Updates



### Culture Champion Academy Nominations Now Open

The program is open to people leaders and program managers and features content spanning multiple disciplines, focusing on neuroscience and practical leadership skills.



## Faculty/Staff Achievements



**Randall W. Engle**, professor in the School of Psychology, has received the 2026 Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Society for Intelligence Research. This award recognizes individuals who have made substantial, lifelong contributions to the scientific understanding of human intelligence.



**Thomas Gaylord**, Regents' Professor and Julius Brown Chair in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, has been honored with the IEEE-Eta Kappa Nu Distinguished Service Award.



3D Girls Inc. honored the **Institute for Leadership and Social Impact** and its managing director, Dori Pap, with a Community Impact Award, recognizing a partnership that has transformed the organization's strategic capacity and long-term vision.



**Margaret Loper**, a Regents' Researcher at the Georgia Tech Research Institute, has received the National Training and Simulation Association's Lifetime Achievement Award in Modeling and Simulation.



**Russell L. "Rusty" Roberts**, director of the Georgia Tech Research Institute's Aerospace, Transportation, and Advanced Systems Laboratory, was awarded the International Test and Evaluation Association's 2025 Allen R. Matthews Award, the association's lifetime achievement award.



**Eric Scott**, chief information security officer at the Georgia Tech Research Institute, has been named the 2025 GeorgiaCISO Public Sector CISO OF THE YEAR ORBiE Award winner.



## Upcoming Events

**Jan. 6**

### Men's Basketball vs. Syracuse

7 p.m.

McCamish Pavilion

**Jan. 8**

### Women's Basketball vs. Syracuse

7 p.m.

McCamish Pavilion

**Jan. 12**

Georgia Tech Campus

**Jan. 15**

**Staff Council Meeting**

2 – 3 p.m.

Online

**Jan. 19**

**MLK Holiday: Campus Closed**

Georgia Tech Campus

**MLK Day of Service**

8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Check-in at Walter G. Ehmer Theater, John Lewis Student Center

**More Events**



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