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Georgia Tech - Role in Atlanta and Georgia, Now and in Future

You'll remember the headlines - Atlanta defeats Athens! 1990, right? The first time was 1886.

Over 100 years of shared history

The most recent victory was of course 1990 - sealed a deal that Atlanta would serve as host to Olympics and Georgia Tech to serve as Olympic Village. To return to this subject.

Characteristics of Georgia Tech

- **State School - but different from most. \$420M annual budget, \$130M from state. 7000 of our 13000 students from Ga. Out of staters mean more corporate focus on Atlanta and Tech.**
- **National Research University - Bring national recognition thru research. Ranked by US News and World Report as Tier 1. \$180M million in extramural research funding. Rank in top 30 in US in R&D expenditures - in SE, only Duke is in same category!**
- **Technological focus, entrepreneural spirit - means we are nimble and can be competitive in downsized government era.**
- **Quality students - Highest average SATs of publics, 12th in nation in nos of National Merit scholars (5th among publics) Yet still enroll 80% of Ga residents who apply. Also serve average kid from Ga with motivation. Largest voluntary coop program in US. Graduate largest no of women and African Americans with engineering degrees.**
- **Only Division IA collegiate sports in city - ACC sports.**

Role in Atlanta

Fill niche in diverse and rich higher ed community in city -

Talent Supplier -

Economic Development -

Community Service Source -

Specialty Collaboration with K-12 -

What Does Future Hold?

Olympics - \$250M construction; we OWE \$130M in state bonds, \$25M in bank loan; new environment at Tech. 3000 more students living on our campus - add to 2000 Ga Staters and large market concentration develops.

Plan to remain major force on national research scene; planning, gubernatorial and legislative support and GRA key factors; this year up \$35M in new contracts - it can be done. More joint activities with in-state and national partners.

Seek to bring more work "home," so high tech industry locates here. NSF EPRC, GCATT and biotech examples. Look to work with city and business to grow research facilities beyond our campus where appropriate.

Grow slowly in on-campus enrollment to absorb engineering demands in state and address needs in burgeoning nonengineering areas. Grow more rapidly in distance education area.

Increase private support (endowment) - must increase flexibility and have funding to compete with our level of competition.

Will seek to work with US of G in developing more efficient and responsive model for higher education.

Have a unique window of opportunity - want to look back in 10 years and see period of unique progress for Ga Tech and Atlanta. As Atlanta becomes international city, Ga Tech moves reputation from very good to one of the very best universities in US.