May not think of Atlanta as a college town, but has one of the nation’s largest clusters of institutions of higher education, including nationally ranked GT and Emory. GT’s contribution: Atlanta second in the nation in producing engineers.

Atlanta also site of cutting-edge research
- GT among top 10 nationally in industry-driven research
- Emory – neurosciences center, CDC, biotech with GT

Atlanta also working to become an IT center
- From this rooftop, 3 gigapop sites: GT, Ga State, TBS
- GCATT
- Underground fiber

State gov’t/Governor investing in higher ed and research
- GRA
- Yamacraw
- ICAPP initiative to double GT computing majors

Strategic partnerships, among universities, between government, higher education and private sector, including Chamber.
- Industries of the Mind to educate and attract talent, high-tech firms