More than 75 Georgia Tech students, along with faculty and staff, participated Feb. 1 in the annual Georgia Tech Student Day at the Capitol. Organized by the Student Government Association with support from the Office of Government and Community Relations, this event provides a unique opportunity for students to get a firsthand look at state government during the legislative session and learn about how actions and events at the Capitol affect them as students and residents.

Joining us were legislators with an affiliation with Georgia Tech, together with Georgia Tech alumni and friends who work in and around the Capitol. Among those participating were Georgia Tech students participating in the Georgia Legislative Internship Program.

Georgia Tech has eight undergraduate interns from a variety of majors and backgrounds working in offices in and around the Gold Dome for the 2016 session.

Georgia Tech alumni Rep. Bert Reeves and Sen. P.K. Martin hosted resolutions in the House and Senate chambers to honor Georgia Tech’s student leaders.

Georgia Tech has a long track record of students working or making presentations at the Capitol. On Jan. 25, Aerospace Engineering Ph.D. student Jonathan Walker gave a three-minute thesis presentation on “Leaving Ancient Rocket Engines Behind” before the Senate Science and Technology Committee.

We are appreciative of the General Assembly’s support for Georgia Tech and higher education in the state.

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