



## ODE at Georgia Tech

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The GT Chapter of ODE aims to provide students who want to pursue a graduate education or career in academia with research skills in the field of Economics and other related disciplines. To achieve this, members of the chapter will be exposed to three broad categories: projects, people, and perspectives. Every chapter event is designed to align with one of the above ideas:

- 1) Exposure to Projects: GT ODE will create opportunities for members to work in tandem with professors in the School of Economics, other GT departments and non-GT institutions, and participate in national academic competitions. More specifically:
  - a) Creating interactive mini-conferences, workshops, bootcamps, games (Econ Games and other hackathons), consulting competitions (FDIC Competition, Fed Challenge), summer data camps for two groups: (1) regional HS students, and (2) regional College students interested in pursuing PhD programs
  - b) Collaborating with School of Public Policy, and possibly other departments, for community development projects and research that address economic insecurity/inequity in Atlanta
  - c) Informational sessions on how to get involved in undergraduate research through the Office of Undergraduate Research, URA, PURA, and advisors in the Economics department
- 2) Exposure to People: Exposing members to people provides members with an opportunity to connect with students, advisors, and professors in their future field of interest.
  - a) PhD information sessions on the application process, academic careers, reasons for pursuing a PhD, pitfalls of PhD and academia and how to avoid/prepare for them, etc.
  - b) Information sessions with master students to discuss the efficacy of a Master's Degree in Economics, application process, etc.
  - c) Developing academic/research relationships, networking in academia, finding your academic tribe and allies, advisors, mentors and sponsors (a new term in career development)
- 3) Exposure to Perspectives: Exposure to perspective involves introducing students to both current trends in economic literature and bedrock ideas necessary for high-level research.
  - a) Current speakers for the Economics department 50-year anniversary
  - b) Highlighting current research at SOE: faculty and PhD student seminars in tandem with the Director of the Doctoral Programs
  - c) A number of employee groups, I.e. Advance Scholars, to speak to the issues of diversity and inclusion in academia; NTT faculty can talk about non-traditional academic posts/paths
  - d) Career Center events on potential academic pathways post grad

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