History and Sociology of Technology and Science

The School of History and Sociology (HSOC) at the Georgia Institute of Technology offers an M.S. and Ph.D. in the History and Sociology of Technology and Science (HSTS). This interdisciplinary degree program trains students in advanced scholarly research on the historical, social, and cultural dimensions of science and technology, past and present.

» FUNDING
Funding for students is awarded on a competitive basis, for both the M.S. and Ph.D. program. Most Ph.D. students receive more than four years of funding. Supplemental fellowships and summer funding opportunities are also available.

» SUPPORT
The school offers support for graduate students to attend conferences. HSTS graduate students regularly present at conferences for the Society for the History of Technology (SHOT), the American Sociological Association (ASA), the Society for the Social Study of Science (4-S).

» COMMUNITY
Graduate students participate in the HSOC Speakers Series, which brings visiting scholars from around the country. Graduate students also run their own Graduate Forum, which offers professionalization workshops on conference presentations, course and syllabi construction, and navigating the academic job market, among other topics.

» EXCITING GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH
HSTS students conduct interesting research on the History and Sociology of Technology and Science. Recent Ph.D. dissertation topics include:
- “Flying the Flag: Gender and the Projection of National Progress Through Global Air Travel, 1930 – 1960” (Emily Gibson)
- “One Space Age Development for the World: The American Landsat Civil Remote Sensing Program in Use, 1953 – 2003” (Brian Jirout)
- “Consuming Science: A History of Soft Drinks in Modern China” (Liang Yao)

» TEACHER PREP
HSOC has a Teaching Apprenticeship Program (TAP) that provides advanced Ph.D. students with an opportunity to teach with faculty, earn a certificate in teaching in higher education, and gain experience as a course instructor.

» APPLY
The application deadlines are February 1st for admission with funding and March 1st for admission without funding. www.gradadmiss.gatech.edu

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