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AVP Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI) Financial & Research Administration

Kimberly (Kim) Toatley currently serves as AVP Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI) Financial & Research Administration, where she also serves as Georgia Tech Applied Research Corporation (GTARC) Board Treasurer. GTARC is a cooperative organization that executes commercial transactions on behalf of the Georgia Tech applied research enterprise. She provides overall leadership and direction to the Financial Services and Research Administration organizations of GTRI and reports directly to the GTRI Director. She is responsible for Accounting, Procurement, Sponsored Project Administration, Subcontracting, Invoicing, Collections, Budget, Sponsored Property, Business Systems, Finance, Cost Accounting, Rates, Audits, Travel Expense, Lease Management, and Business Administration units. This encompasses 150 employees responsible for \$800M of revenue annually.

Kim's career path has spanned various positions at Georgia Tech and GTRI with increasing responsibilities. Kim began her career as an Accountant before becoming the Business Operations Manager of a Research Program Office (SENSIAC) and then a Research Business Unit (Laboratory). Kim was then selected as the inaugural Director of Business Operations for GTRI in 2014, became the GTRI Chief Financial Officer in 2018, and finally was appointed as AVP GTRI Financial & Research Administration in 2022.



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Kim was selected for the second cohort in the Leading Women of Georgia Tech program. She has received the 2013 Distinguished Performance Award for Outstanding Program Support, the 2015 Distinguished Mentor Award in Support Operations, and the 2017 Process Improvement Award. As the Executive Sponsor for the women's resource group at GTRI (HER@GTRI), Kim serves as a supporter and advocate for the group. She provides strategic guidance, mentorship, and serves as a liaison. Kim is also one of the Leads for GTRI's Strategic Plan-Impact Goal.

Kim has over 30 years of finance and accounting experience, along with over 33 years of experience in university operations. She has experience with both university government accounting principles (A-21), full Cost Accounting Standards (CAS), and commercial cost principles for government contractors (FAR 31.2).

In addition to her work accomplishments, Kim is a Georgia Institute of Technology graduate with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting. She later received her Master of Business Administration with a specialization in Strategic Management from Georgia State University.