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Atlanta Chapter

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ARCS Foundation advances science and technology in the United States by providing financial awards to academically outstanding U.S. citizens studying to complete degrees in science, engineering and medical research. Founded by Mary O'Connor, our Atlanta Chapter was incorporated in 1992.



## From the President's Desk: Leslie Petter

The vision of ARCS Atlanta is “Funding STEM scholars who will change the world.” It is awesome in its power and brevity. The power of our vision comes from the confidence that our scholars will change the world. How is it that we have this unwavering confidence? We have it because we see it – every day. ... [Read more](#)



## Start Your Morning on November 18th Celebrating Our ARCS Atlanta Scholars

ARCS Atlanta will host our annual Scholar Awards Celebration on Thursday, November 18, 2021. This will be our second virtual version of this exciting event. Building upon our success last year, we will host a fast-paced 30-minute recognition of our scholars, university partners, donors, and corporate sponsors.

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## A Natural Born Leader

Incoming ARCS National President Caron Ogg learned her work ethic and attention to detail from her father, a physician who worked every day of the year except for Christmas. Her mother's work schedule was the same. Her parents and all her grandparents earned college degrees, unusual in those decades. One grandmother earned her degree in chemistry as a Phi Beta Kappa... [Read more](#)





## ARCS Foundation Atlanta Introduces Four New Members at the Fête Française

The annual ARCS Atlanta Fall Party was held on October 17th at the lovely home of Leslie and Skip Petter. We enjoyed a cool, crisp evening in the Petter's gorgeous garden and around the pool...[Read more](#)

# THANK YOU, SHERRY!

Your dedication, leadership, and generosity is an inspiration to us all



## ARCS Atlanta Chapter is Dollar Amount Champion in National Chapter Challenge!

ARCS Atlanta Chapter was the dollar amount champion, raising the most funds for ARCS National during the 2020-2021 Chapter Challenge...[Read more](#)

## Kimberly Jacob Arriola Appointed Dean of Emory's Laney Graduate School

Kimberly Jacob Arriola, executive associate dean for academic affairs in the Rollins School of Public Health and Charles Howard Candler Professor of Behavioral, Social and Health Education Sciences, has been appointed dean of the Laney Graduate School and will assume her duties Sept. 1. She also will join the Office of the Provost leadership team as vice provost for graduate affairs.

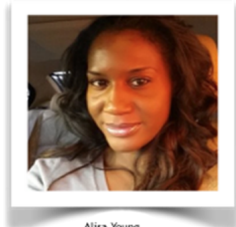
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## A Perfect Match

Check out the article in the Emory Magazine about the joint programs between Emory and Georgia Tech! The Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering is the source of some of our amazing scholars, and the home of our prominent scholar alums - Dr. Michael Davis and Dr. Manu Platt...[Read more](#)



Alisa Young

## Scholar Alumni Spotlight: Alisa Young, PhD

### Physical Scientist at NOAA's National Centers for Environmental Information

Alisa Young, the 2009-10 UPS ARCS Scholar, completed her PhD in Philosophy, Earth, and Atmospheric Science at Georgia Tech in 2011. During her PhD work and immediately after completion, Alisa worked as an Assistant Professor in the Environmental Science and Studies program at nearby Spelman College... [Read more](#)

## Scholar Alumni Spotlight: Kate Birdwhistell

### Dual DVM/PhD Candidate Pursuing Regenerative Orthopedic Research

Kate Birdwhistell, the 2017-19 UPS ARCS Scholar, is a PhD candidate in Comparative Biomedical Sciences at the University of Georgia. Kate is currently in a dual DVM/PhD program in UGA's College of Veterinary Medicine. She is a Graduate Student and Graduate Assistant in the Department of Large Animal Medicine... [Read more](#)



Kate Birdwhistell



## Garden Party

Many ARCS members celebrated being together in person after months of zoom calls when the Old Board/New Board members convened at Leslie and Skip Petter's home for a garden party on June 27th. Although we enjoyed the Space Age Soiree, the Scholars Awards Celebration, and the chapter meetings featuring Kantwon Rogers and Beth Cabrera ... [Read more](#)

## **The Alchemy of Pittsburgh: Steel to Digital Environments ARCS Atlanta Chapter Retreat**

**May 18-22, 2022**

The industrial face of Pittsburgh has TOTALLY changed over the past half-century, and YOU, members of the ARCS Atlanta Chapter, have been offered the opportunity to explore what no place in the nation can match.

Growing up in Pittsburgh during the 1950s, presented what was described in [...Read more](#)



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### **ARCS Atlanta Chapter Member: Shelley Woods Whiting**

Congratulations to Shelley Woods Whiting on her appointment to the Board of Advisors for the Tufts University School of Engineering.



### **A Note from Funds Development by Mary Dodson**

The virtual Scholar Awards Celebration on November 18th is our annual major event. Please join as it is a great way to learn more about ARCS Atlanta, regardless of how long you have been a member. Raising funds to support ARCS Scholars is why we are here. ARCS Foundation Atlanta

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### **Interested in Planned Giving?**

Leave a legacy for future scientists. Ask your lawyer to include a bequest to ARCS Atlanta in your estate plan. Questions? Email Mary Dodson, VP-Funds Development at [mary\\_dodson46@outlook.com](mailto:mary_dodson46@outlook.com).

### **Having Trouble Finding the Board Meeting Minutes?**

Just a reminder that the Board Meeting Minutes are available for review on the Atlanta Member's Website. To access just login to the website, then go to 'Operations' and then 'Meeting Minutes' (using the left-hand side menu).

## DATES TO REMEMBER

November 18, 2021	Scholar Awards Celebration
Thursday	8:30-9:00 AM
December 1, 2021	Board Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 AM
January 12, 2022	General Membership Meeting
Wednesday	10:30 AM
March 9, 2022	Board Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 AM
May 4, 2022	Annual Meeting
Wednesday	10:30 AM
May 18-22, 2022	Retreat to Pittsburgh! <a href="#">Brochure Link</a>
June 1, 2022	Old Board/New Board Meeting
Wednesday	5:30 PM

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