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ADVANTAGES
- Academic research doctorate
- AACSB-accredited program
- Classes taught by well-published faculty
- Continue to work and study at the same time
- Program designed for three-year completion
- Cohort-based residency program
- Traditional research dissertation
- Multiple candidates selected to attend the ICIS and AMCIS doctoral consortiums

WHO CONSIDERS A KSU Ph.D.
- Academic professionals, such as lecturers and adjuncts, who wish to establish a stronger academic presence and pursue a tenure-track position
- Working professionals who wish to establish an academic presence, pursuing either faculty or administrative positions

STUDENT STATISTICS
- Average 17 years of professional experience
- Average three years of teaching experience for academic professionals
- Represent a balance of in-state, out-of-state, and international students

APPLYING TO THE PROGRAM
Information sessions are scheduled August through January. The application process includes a research workshop, submission of a Research Interest Overview, and an interview, by invitation only. Check coles.kennesaw.edu/phd for dates.

PROGRAM FACULTY
- Tridib Bandyopadhyay, Ph.D. - University of Texas at Dallas
- Pamila Dembla, Ph.D. - University of Memphis
- Saurabh Gupta, Ph.D. - University of Georgia
- Soloman Negash, Ph.D. - Claremont Graduate University
- Adriane Randolph, Ph.D. - Georgia State University
- Sweta Sneha, Ph.D. - Georgia State University
- Dominic Thomas, Ph.D. - University of Georgia
- Reza Vaezi, Ph.D. - University of Houston
- Amy Wosczynski, Ph.D. - Clemson University
- Humayun Zafar, Ph.D. - University of Texas at San Antonio


GLOBAL SCHOLARS INVOLVED
- Dr. Don Amoroso - Auburn University at Montgomery
- Dr. Robert Bostrom - University of Georgia
- Dr. Mike Gallivan - Retired Georgia State University
- Dr. Stacie Petter - Baylor University
- Dr. Anne Smith - University of Tennessee
- Dr. Detmar Straub - Georgia State University
- Dr. Merrill Warkentin - Mississippi State University
- Dr. Clay Williams - Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
- Dr. Donald Wynn, Jr. - University of Dayton
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GRADUATES, TOPICS, AND CURRENT PLACEMENTS

- Carole Hollingsworth Canedy - An Examination of Fit and The Use of Mobile Devices for Performing Tasks - at Kennesaw State University
- Lorraine Lamb - A Study on Information Technology Consumerization: Intentions to Use and Recognizing Use Behaviors - at DXC Technology
- Rebecca Quammen - Intuition and Its Impact on Information Systems Success - at Quammen Health Care Consultants
- Randy Colvin - Management and Organizational Influences on Compliance Behavior of Employees to Reduce Non-Malicious IT Misuse Intentions - at Texas A&M University - Kingsville
- Charles Flack - IS Success Model for Evaluating Cloud Computing for Small Business Benefit: A Quantitative Study - at IBM
- JD Rusk - Trust and Distrust Scale Development: Operationalization and Instrument Validation - at Kennesaw State University
- James Smith - The Challenges of Implementing Enterprise Resource Planning Systems Within Family Influenced Firms - at Augusta University
- Angela Jackson - An Exploratory Study of Organizational Security Risk Management for Improved Effectiveness - at US Coast Guard Academy
- Dennis Brown - Information Security Policy Quality & Enforcement: Is Compliance a Solution to Fraud? - A Forsyth County, Georgia, Commissioner
- Ash Mady - The Informed Human Firewall: The Impact of Knowledge Dimensions on Employees’ Secure Behavior - at University of North Georgia
- Bethany Niese - Making Good Decisions: Big Data Analytics’ Impact on Decision Quality - at University of North Georgia
- Jason Williams - Individual IT Uses and Their Antecedents: A Social Theory Perspective - at Augusta University

CURRENT STUDENTS

- Henry Torres - IS Security Training: The Misunderstood Link (fourth year student)
- Arpit Sharma (second year student)
- DeJarvis Oliver (second year student)
- Denise McWilliams (second year student)
- Michele Minetola (second year student)

PROGRAM RECOGNITION

- Established in 2008
- Graduated over 100 students
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