

TLSAMP News



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7th Annual TLSAMP Research Symposium November 12th & 13th

The 7th Annual TLSAMP Research Symposium is scheduled for **Thursday November 12th, and Friday, November 13th**.

This year's symposium is presented by Alliance Host Institution—Tennessee State University, and all events will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Nashville (located near the Airport).

Deluxe motor coach transportation and hotel accommodations are complementary as part of your TLSAMP membership.

Attendance at this conference is counted toward "*participation*", and you are strongly encouraged to attend.

If you want to attend please do the following things:

- (1) **Inform your professors** that you will be away on Thursday November 12th, and Friday, November 13th.
- (2) **Complete the Registration Form** (see page 3 of newsletter) and turn it in to Mimi Thomas before the deadline of October 14th.

You may also find copies of the Registration Form posted on the bulletin board outside of my office in Jones Hall 336.

Those of you who desire to present research will need to complete the abstract submission form. Please contact me and I will email the paperwork to you.

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Assistance Available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays!

There is no need to struggle with classes, especially mathematics based lessons in Calculus, Pre-Calculus, and / or Physics. A benefit of TLSAMP membership is the provision of academic assistance where you may be lacking. All TLSAMP students are strongly

encouraged to use the Tutoring Services NOW, do not wait until your situation is close to failure. Our student assistants are fun, friendly peers who have provided TLSAMP tutoring for 3 years or more. They know how to help. Please visit them soon!!!

Tutoring Schedule

**Wiser Patten Room
201**

Tuesdays 6pm—9pm

Wednesdays 6pm—8pm



Wednesday, October 7th

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Murphy Center Track Level

Professional dress required

MTSU CAREER FAIR — October 7th

Wednesday, October 10th the Career Development Center will host the annual Fall Career Fair. Attending will be 89 employers seeking to fill entry level positions and internships.

15 graduate and/or professional schools will also be present for those of you interested in higher education.

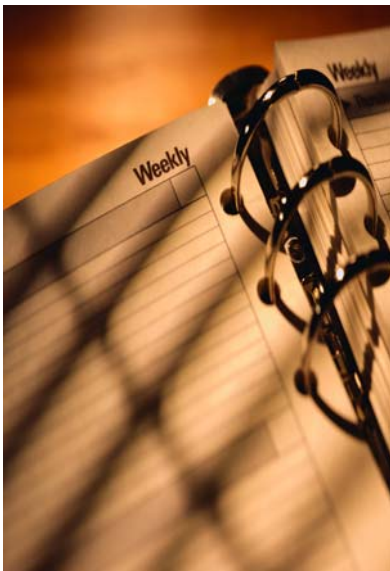
You may find a list of employers who have expressed an

interest in STEM candidate, by visiting the following link: <https://mtsu-csm.symplicity.com/events/> for a complete list of participants as well as the positions they are recruiting for.

Also, new this year, students may RSVP their attendance through Lightning JobSource and express your interest in meeting specific employers before the fair.

As always, make sure to dress professionally and carry your resume. If you need assistance compiling a resume, please visit Nicole Green, Career Coordinator to the College of Basis and Applied Sciences in JH 308.

Nicole can be reached directly at 494.8797 or via email at kngreen@mtsu.edu.



Advising Workshop: Tuesday, October 13th

Time is money in today's college climate. The purpose of the college advisor is to help you get IN and OUT of the university with expediency.

This workshop will present information that will assist you in understanding the necessity of regularly meeting with your advisor.

Too many students are choosing to "self-advise" and thus; coming

up short when graduation time arrives.

What grades MUST you have in both your major and minor to graduate?

How does failing a class, then retaking it over and over figure into your GPA?

What about the recent laws passed regarding the lottery scholarship---how do they affect you?

Can you calculate your GPA for the semester?

If you don't know the answers to these questions, then this workshop is for you.

Freshmen and sophomores are strongly encouraged to attend.

Karen Case and Jennifer Danylo, advisors for the College of Basic and Applied Sciences will facilitate.



Laptop & Calculator Checkout Service

TLSAMP offers a Laptop and Calculator checkout service to student participants free of charge.

Equipment may be checked out for academic related purposes 1 week at a time.

All computers are equipped with the latest Microsoft Office software and have full wireless capabilities.

If you desire to use the Laptop / Calculator service, please visit Mimi Thomas in Jones Hall 336.

You will need to complete an equipment checkout form. All laptops have an over the shoulder carrying case, and are very lightweight.

Feel free to call Mimi if you have any questions.

**7th Annual Tennessee Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (TLSAMP)
Undergraduate Research Conference**

“Pathways to Excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics”

November 12th & 13th, 2009

Alliance Host Institution: Tennessee State University

Site Location: Embassy Suites Hotel (Airport)

10 Century Boulevard

Nashville, Tennessee

TLSAMP Member Institution: [Middle Tennessee State University](#) Campus Principal Investigator : [Dr. Tom Cheatham](#)

Attendee Name: _____ Major : _____

Address : _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ E-mail _____

PLEASE PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION FOR REPORTING PURPOSES (check all appropriate categories):

Female _____ Black or African American _____ Hispanic or Latino _____ American Indian _____
Male _____ Alaska Native _____ Asian _____ White _____ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander _____

Class: (Please circle one): FR SO JR SR GRAD Summer Bridge Participant: (Please circle one): Yes No

I will attend (check all that apply): Opening Dinner Breakfast Luncheon Banquet

I will (check all that apply): attend, **but not present** make an oral presentation* make a poster presentation*

If applying to present, please check the appropriate category and refer to specific instructions for abstracts:

Engineering Computer Science Technology Mathematics Agricultural Science
 Chemistry Physics Biology other: _____

Title of Presentation: _____

Name of Research Mentor: _____

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DEADLINE TO RETURN ALL FORMS IS: Wednesday, October 14th 2009

Steadily increasing the number of underrepresented students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)

MTSU is a proud member of the **Tennessee Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (TLSAMP)**. Other alliance institutions include Lemonye-Owen College, University of Memphis, University of Tennessee at Knoxville, Tennessee State University, and Vanderbilt University. TLSAMP funding is underwritten by a grant from the National Science Foundation.

The program at MTSU is designed to give special attention to students' needs toward successful completion of the undergraduate STEM (science, technology, engineering or math) degree. Specific attention is given to underrepresented students majoring in (STEM). Some may even qualify to receive financial assistance. We provide resources in the following areas:

Supplemental Tutorials
Life Skill Workshops
Poster and Research Presentation

Research Opportunities
Regional & National Conferences
Financial Aid Assistance

www.mtsu.edu/tlsamp

Do not grow weary....

By now you know the pace of your classes and your professors' instructional style of teaching. Also, you have received a few tests back, and are aware of your grades to this point.

I want to encourage you to keep pressing on, and not get tired of doing your academic best. Make sure to use our tutoring services. Attend your class study group sessions. Meet up with other TLSAMP members and study.

Keep in mind that I am here to help. However, I cannot if you fail to keep me informed. Drop by for a chat!

-Mimi

Welcome Summer Bridge Participants!!!

This past summer, MTSU was pleased to send a total of 13 pre-enrolled students to the TLSAMP Summer Bridge Program held at Tennessee State University.

TLSAMP Welcomes YOU!



Jasmine Poindexter

Amber Quinn

Nakiedra Robinson

Jonathan Smith

Kayla Wilkins

Jamisha Wynn

As a result of participating in the 2009 Summer Bridge, each MTSU enrollee received a \$500 TLSAMP scholarship