



**The Greater Alabama Black Belt Region (GABBR) Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Alliance**

**Making to Achieve Knowledge, Excellence and Recognition in STEM (MAKERS) S-STEM Alliance**

**1<sup>st</sup> Joint Annual Conference**

**April 15, 2018 – Tuskegee University Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center – 8:15 AM – 3:15 PM**



Time	Activity	Description	Location
8:15 – 8:45 AM	Registration	Registration	
8:45 – 9:00 AM	Introductions and Overview of LSAMP and MAKERS Programs	<b>Opening Session</b> Opening Remarks (Dr. Mohammed A. Qazi)	Ballroom
9:00 – 11:00 AM	Student Oral Presentations	<b>Research:</b> Shannon Williams (ASU), Felix S. Toussaint (AUM), Omoyemwen Obakpolor & Autumn Jones (AUM), Rakim Ali (UWA), Erin McGraw (AU), Megan Taylor (TU), Agnes Pope (AAMU), Donovan Ebersole (Troy), Christian Foster (TU)	Ballroom
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM	Poster Sessions & MAKERS Prototypes Showcase	<b>Posters:</b> Presented by Internship Recipients and other Students  <b>Showcase:</b> Community-Based STEM Prototypes (Dr. Michael Curry)	Hallways
12:25 PM	Group Photo	<b>Group Photo</b>	Booker T. Washington Monument
12:30 – 1:40 PM	LUNCH	<b>Luncheon Speaker: Dr. Edward Thomas, Jr.</b> Charles W. Barkley Endowed Professor of Physics and Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies, Auburn University (Dr. Carl Pettis)	Ballroom
1:50 – 2:50 PM	Breakout Sessions	<b>Freshmen &amp; Sophomores</b> Staying on Track for Graduation (Dr. Martha Escobar)	Room DE   Room FG
		<b>Juniors &amp; Seniors</b> Preparing to Write a Proposal under the Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) (Dr. Overtoun Jenda)	
3:00– 3:15 PM	Closing	<b>Evaluation</b> (Dr. David Shannon)	Ballroom
3:20 PM – 4:00 PM	Executive Committee Meeting	MAKERS S-STEM	Tele-Conference Room