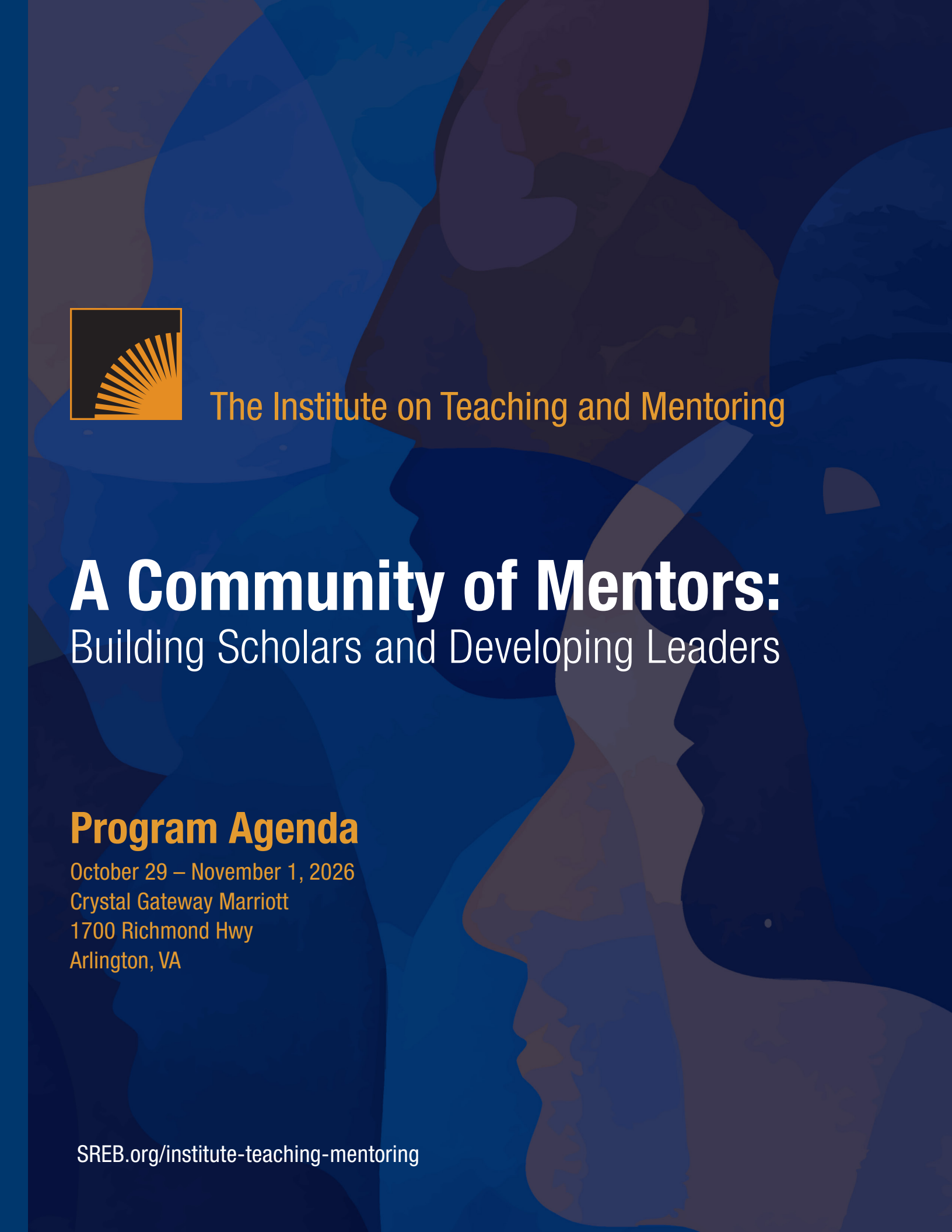


The Institute on Teaching and Mentoring

A Community of Mentors:
Building Scholars and Developing Leaders

Program Agenda

October 29 – November 1, 2026
Crystal Gateway Marriott
1700 Richmond Hwy
Arlington, VA

SREB.org/institute-teaching-mentoring

Welcome to the 2026 Institute on Teaching and Mentoring

Welcome to the 33rd annual Institute on Teaching and Mentoring. The Institute planning committee, staff, volunteers, institutions and longstanding supporting organizations are incredibly proud to present this convening to all who seek success at the highest levels of education. The Institute is intentionally designed to help scholars strengthen their professional growth, successfully complete their doctoral degree and prepare for faculty positions on college campuses.

The Institute is the nation's largest gathering of racial and ethnic minority Ph.D. scholars seeking faculty careers in academia. At the first Institute in 1994, there were only 107 attendees. This year, the Institute will once again have nearly a thousand participants, including hundreds of Ph.D. students currently matriculating through the academic pipeline. We would like to especially welcome all the faculty mentors who accompany the scholars and serve a critical role in the development of doctoral scholars. Faculty mentor participation is a unique component of the Institute that positively contributes to the experiences of scholars participating in the Institute.

Here at the Institute, you will find sessions for specific subjects and fields, sessions for scholar groups at different levels of academia, and sessions on other important topics that will contribute to your success in graduate school, the academy and beyond. These sessions are led by top experts and professionals with skill sets from a wide variety of academic fields. We encourage you to select the sessions that will be most helpful to you. Be sure to arrive at those sessions early, as they can fill up quickly.

The theme for this year is *A Community of Mentors: Building Scholars and Developing Leaders*.

As the Institute continues to embrace technological streamlining, please make sure to download the Institute on Teaching and Mentoring mobile app to stay up-to-date on sessions and speakers and to connect with other conference attendees. Our hope is that the app will help you to stay even more connected at this year's Institute.

Finally, we want to express our utmost gratitude and appreciation to the many organizations, agencies, institutions and staff members whose hard work makes this event possible. Please let us know how we can further improve the Institute for each of you, now and in the future.

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Introduction

The Issue

Scholars from non-dominant racial backgrounds attain graduate degrees and enter academia at far lower rates than hegemonic students. This means academic contributions by people of color on college campuses and the professoriate can be limited. This issue also has serious implications for students of all backgrounds whose educational experiences are enriched by academicians from a variety of disciplines and for whom faculty members serve as influential mentors and role models.

The Institute on Teaching and Mentoring

The Institute on Teaching and Mentoring addresses this issue by providing PhD scholars with information, encouragement and support to pursue doctoral degrees and become college professors. This convening is a comprehensive initiative that provides focus, community, and professional development to strengthen pathways to advanced careers in academia and industry, developing highly skilled professionals ready for research and leadership roles in high-demand areas. The Institute enables doctoral candidates to share insights and survival tips for success in graduate work, build community among themselves and faculty representatives, network and commune with scholars from across the country and enrich their research and teaching strategies for the postsecondary classroom. The Institute also benefits faculty members by helping them hone the mentoring skills that can assist them in creating supportive departmental environments for all students. Ultimately, the Institute fosters an environment that cultivates persistence, promotes retention, and ensures the success of doctoral students, preparing them for impactful careers in academia and industry.

Save the Date for the 34th Annual Institute

October 28 – 31, 2027
New Orleans, Louisiana
New Orleans Marriott

Download the Institute on Teaching and Mentoring App!

The app can be downloaded from both the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store by searching for **InstituteOnTeaching&Mentoring** or using one of the direct links below:

Apple App Store



Google Play Store



A **web version** is also available!
Use the app to:

- Access the schedule, session descriptions.
- See where the recruiter institutions are located.
- Plan your day in advance.
- Evaluate each session.

3 Steps for Success at the Institute!

1. **Always be ready for a job offer!**
    - Dress for success! Look like the academic professional you are.
    - Check the Institute app for messages from recruiters and attendees.
    - Have your pitch ready! Be ready to talk concisely about yourself and your interest.
    - Have your curriculum vitae handy. You never know when a recruiter will want to take the conversation further.
2. **Know the What, When and Where!**
    - Take note of the times of any mandatory meetings for your specific group.
3. **Use your voice to keep the Institute going!**
    - Complete evaluation forms. Your feedback helps us to make each Institute better than the last.
    - Introduce yourself to your local, state or program representatives in attendance. Your voice of appreciation goes a long way to show that the Institute is needed.

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Evaluation Instructions

We value your feedback! Receiving your completed evaluation form is the only way we can record and quantify your Institute experience. Providing feedback informs us of what works or does not work so that we are able to create a valuable overall Institute experience.

Please read through the instructions on completing individual workshop and overall evaluations.

Concurrent Sessions

In the mobile app, click on **Schedule** and choose the session you attended and open the **Session Details**. Look for the **Survey** tab at the bottom to give feedback on the session.

Evaluations

On the home page of the mobile app, please scroll down to the section that says **Share Your Thoughts** and click on the **Take survey** button. From there, please select the **General Event Feedback Survey**.

Scholar Directory

A Tool for Networking and Recruiting

The SREB-State Doctoral Scholars Program provides networking and recruiting opportunities through the Scholar Directory database. The database provides a platform for you to connect and network with other scholars who have participated in the Institute.

This tool is also useful for institutions to identify and recruit potential faculty. As an Institute attendee, you have been included in the database and have the opportunity to update and expand your profile with biographical, educational and employment information.

More than one hundred institutions have a one-year subscription to the Directory. This provides exposure for you and your doctoral peers to be recruited for positions on college and university campuses.

You never know when a career opportunity will arise. It is important for you to frequently update your Scholar Directory profile.

This is one of many ways that the Institute is assisting you and other Ph.D. scholars and graduates in attaining faculty careers.

Check out the Directory this weekend!

http://dspdirectory.sreb.org

The Institute on Teaching and Mentoring Acknowledges

Institute Partners

The goal of the Institute is to continue to increase the numbers of minority and underrepresented faculty in our nation's higher education academic institutions. The Institute strives to provide additional professional resources to Institute attendees that can assist them during their doctoral studies and as they transition into their academic professional careers. To meet this goal, SREB has a partnership with several organizations. These partnerships provide access to a wider network of professionals who can assist you as you grow and develop in your career.

SLOAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

630 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2200
New York, NY 10111
(212) 649-1649
www.sloan.org

Through its Sloan Scholarship programs (the University Centers of Exemplary Mentoring, the Sloan Centers for Systemic Change, and the Sloan Indigenous Graduate Partnership), the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation partners with select universities to transform STEM graduate education so that all students can thrive. Partner institutions strengthen mentoring, community, and departmental practices, and the Foundation funds scholarships for their graduate students, who are known as Sloan Scholars. Sloan Scholars have attended the Institute on Teaching and Mentoring since 1998.

RONALD E. MCNAIR POSTBACCALAUREATE ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

U.S. Department of Education Office of Postsecondary Education
1990 K Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006-8510
(202) 502-7600
www.ed.gov

The McNair Program seeks to increase the attainment of Ph.D.. Through a grant competition, funds are awarded to institutions of higher education to prepare eligible participants for doctoral studies through involvement in research and other scholarly activi¬ties. McNair scholars are given opportunities for research, summer internships, seminars, tutoring, academic counseling, and other activities that are meant to solidify their path to graduate school.

SREB-STATE DOCTORAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM (SREB)

592 10th St. N.W.
Atlanta, GA 30318-5776
(404) 875-9211
www.sreb.org

The SREB-State Doctoral Scholars Program provides multiple layers of support — not only financial assistance and research funding, but also career counseling, job postings and a scholar directory for networking and recruiting. Mentoring and advocating on behalf of scholars is crucial, and support continues into early careers as graduates become faculty members. The goal of the Doctoral Scholars Program is to increase the number of students who earn doctorates and choose to become faculty at colleges and universities. Since its founding in 1993, the program has supported more than 2,200 scholars who have attended 113 institutions in more than 30 states.

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Agenda at a Glance

DAY/ TIME	ACTIVITY
Thursday, October 29	
12:00 – 7:00 pm	**Registration and Check-In**
4:00 – 9:00 pm	Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits
5:30 – 6:30 pm	**Orientation by Group — REQUIRED for ALL scholars**
7:00 – 8:00 pm	**Welcome and Opening Reception**
Friday, October 30	
7:30 – 8:30 am	**Breakfast Group Meetings**
7:30 am – 12:15 pm	Registration and Check–In
8:45 – 10:15 am	**Opening Plenary: Kimberly Griffin — *Finding Joy on the Journey: Mentorship as a Site of Connection and Care***
10:30 – 11:00 am	Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits
11:00 am – 12:15 pm	**Concurrent Interest Group Sessions or CV Reviews**
12:30 – 2:00 pm	**Luncheon and Keynote Panel — *Passing the Torch: Mentor of the Year Alumni on Cultivating Scholarly Communities and Leadership Pipelines***
2:00 – 2:45 pm	Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits
2:45 – 4:00 pm	**Concurrent Interest Group Sessions or CV Reviews**
4:00 – 5:15 pm	Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits
5:15 – 5:30 pm	Recruiters Photos
5:30 – 7:30 pm	**Institute Graduates' Awards Banquet and Dinner**

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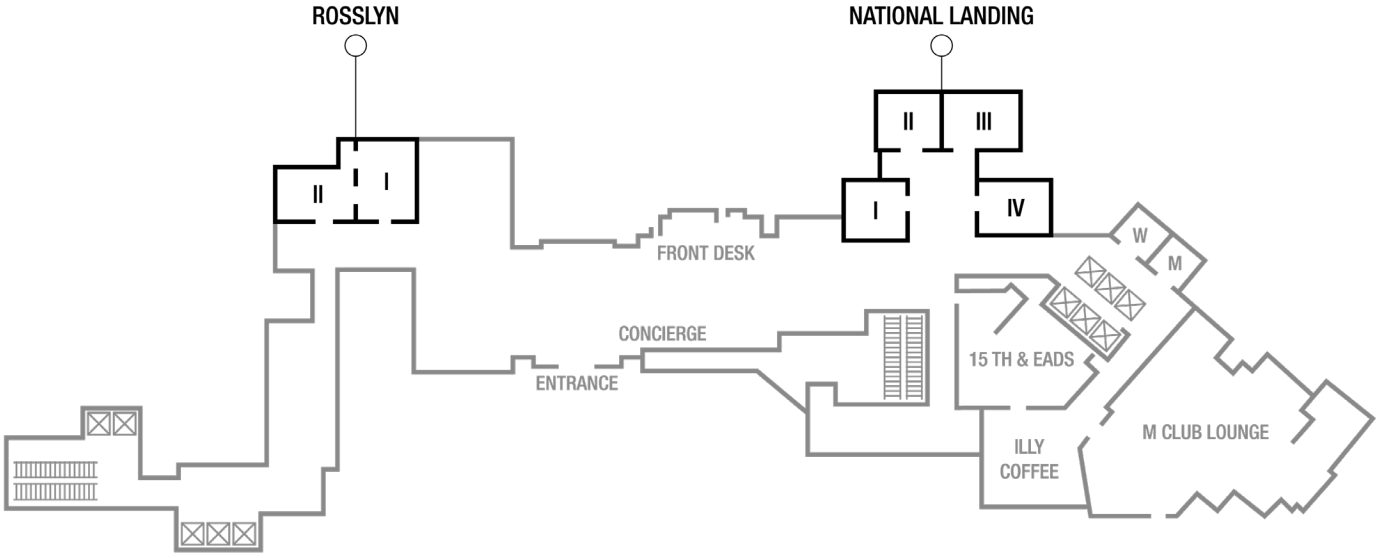
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DAY/ TIME	ACTIVITY
Saturday, October 31	
7:30 am – 12:30 pm	Registration and Check–In
8:00 – 9:30 am	**Breakfast and Plenary Session: Kecia Thomas — *Managing Relationships in Graduate School and at Work***
9:30 – 10:15 am	Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits
10:15 – 11:30 am	**Concurrent Interest Group Sessions or CV Reviews**
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	**Concurrent Interest Group Sessions or CV Reviews**
1:00 – 2:30 pm	**Luncheon and Awards Program**
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits
3:00 – 4:00 pm	**Group Photos**
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	**Scholar Exchange Networking Session**
5:30 pm	Free time (Dinner is on your own.)
9:00 pm – 12:00 am	Dessert Reception
Sunday, November 1	
9:45 – 11:30 am	**Brunch and Closing Session: Juan Gilbert — *Building Scholars and Developing Leaders while Solving Real World Problems***

Meeting Room Maps

Crystal Gateway Marriott

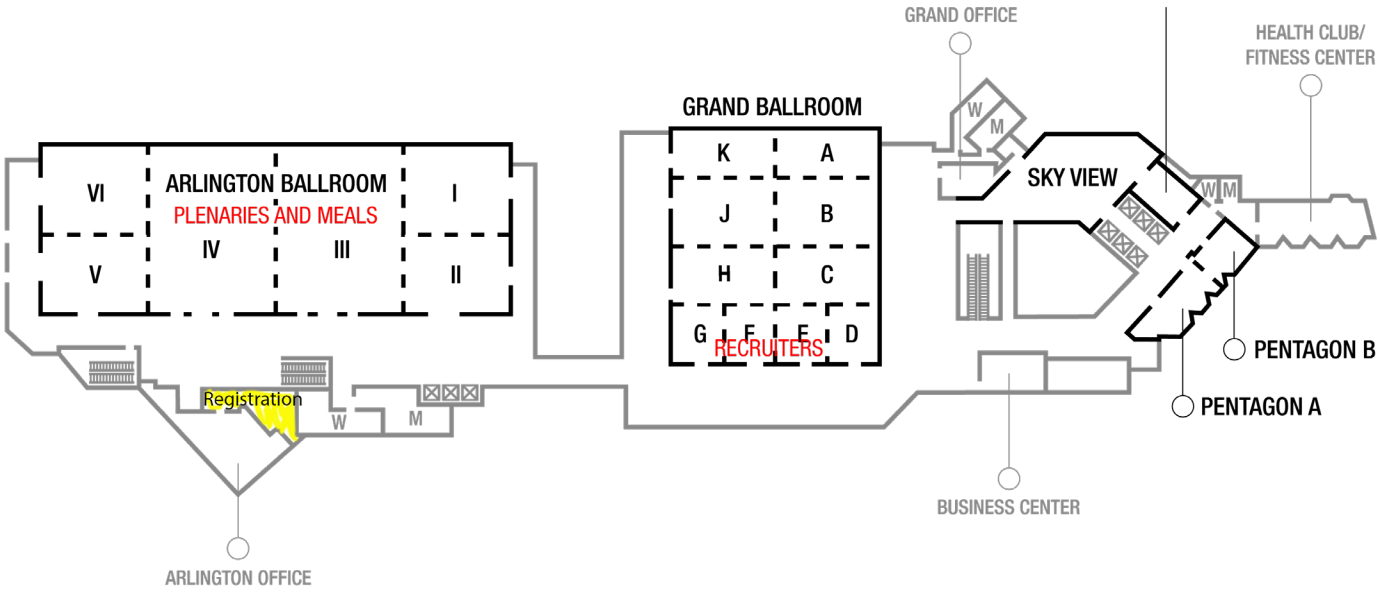
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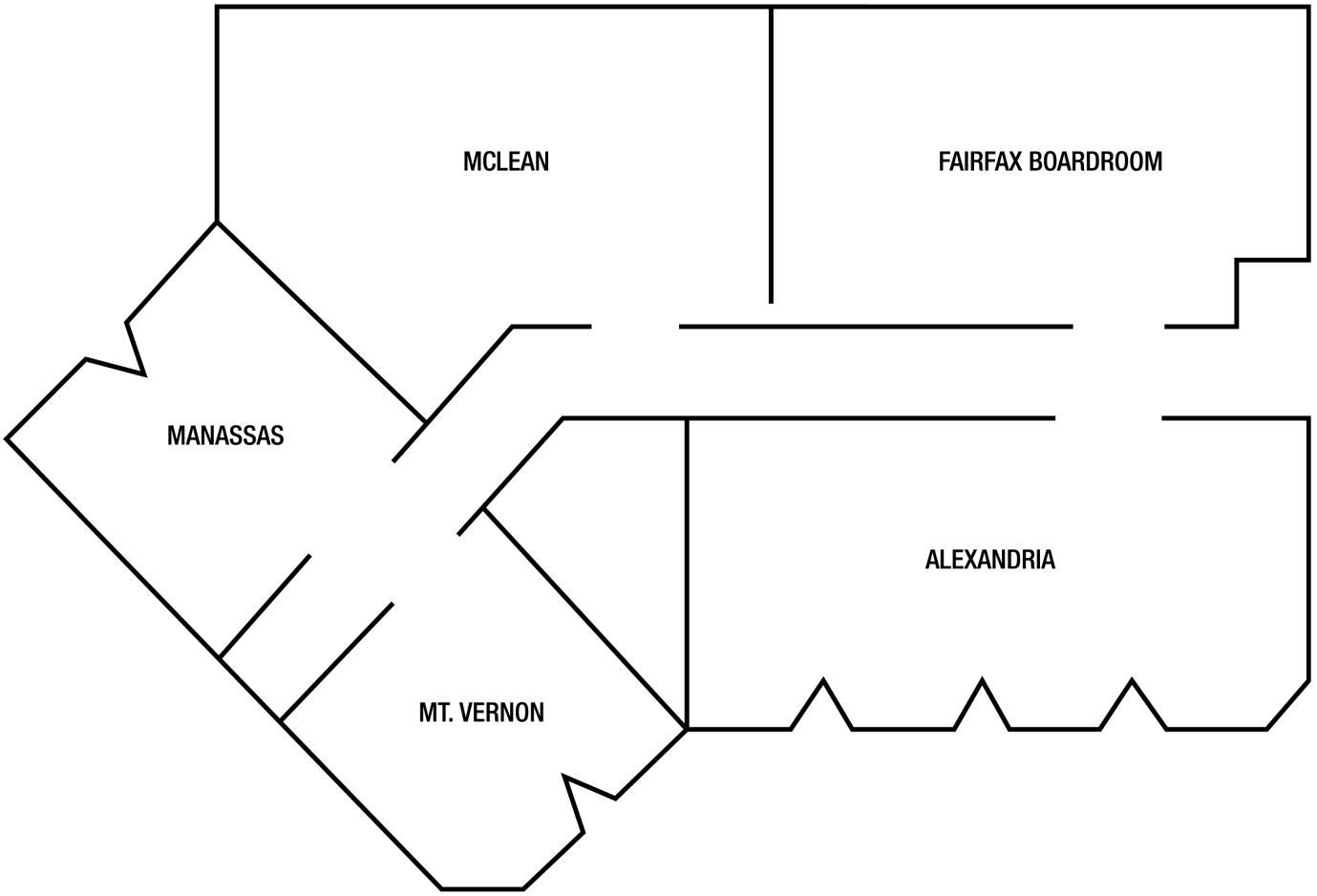
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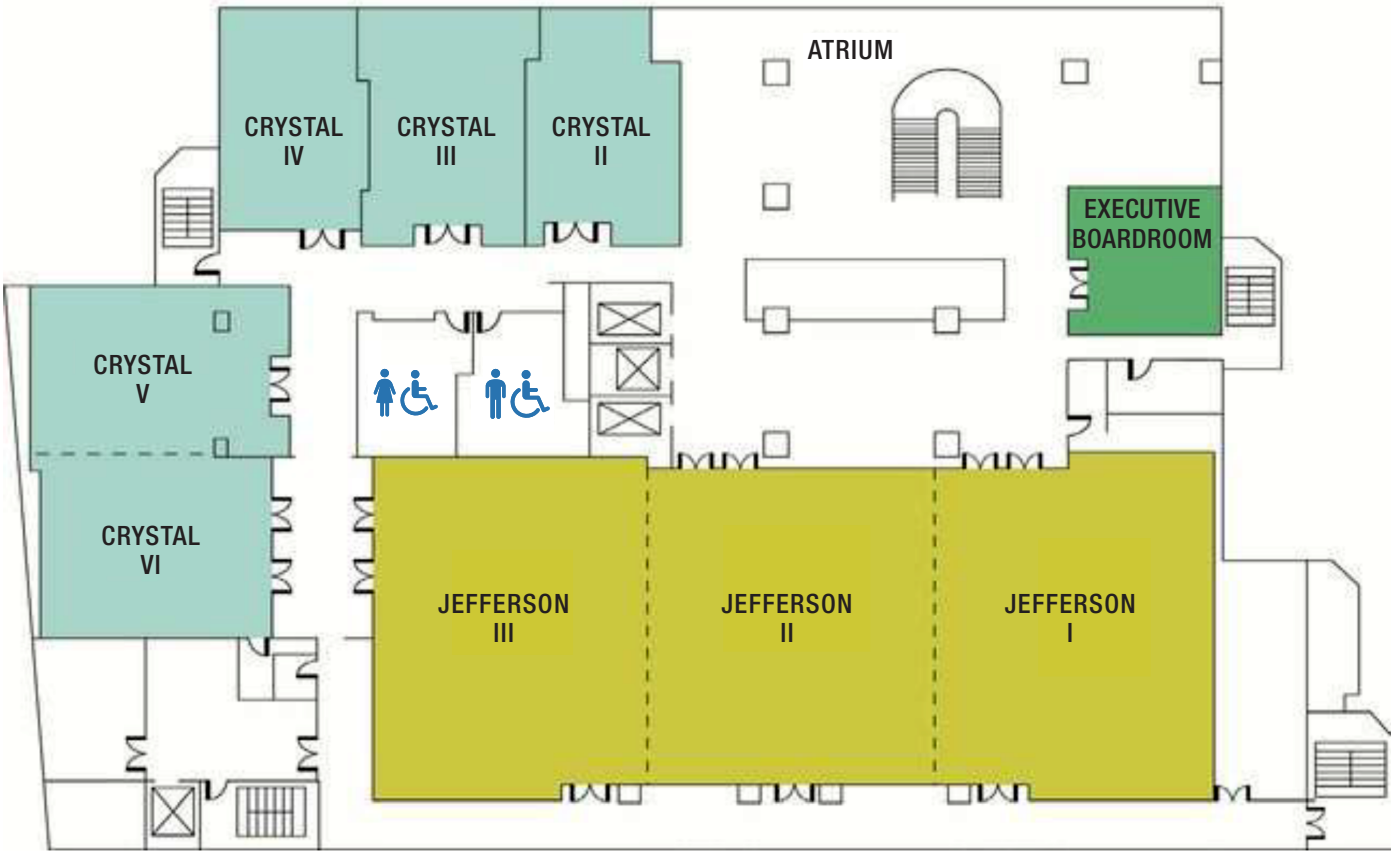
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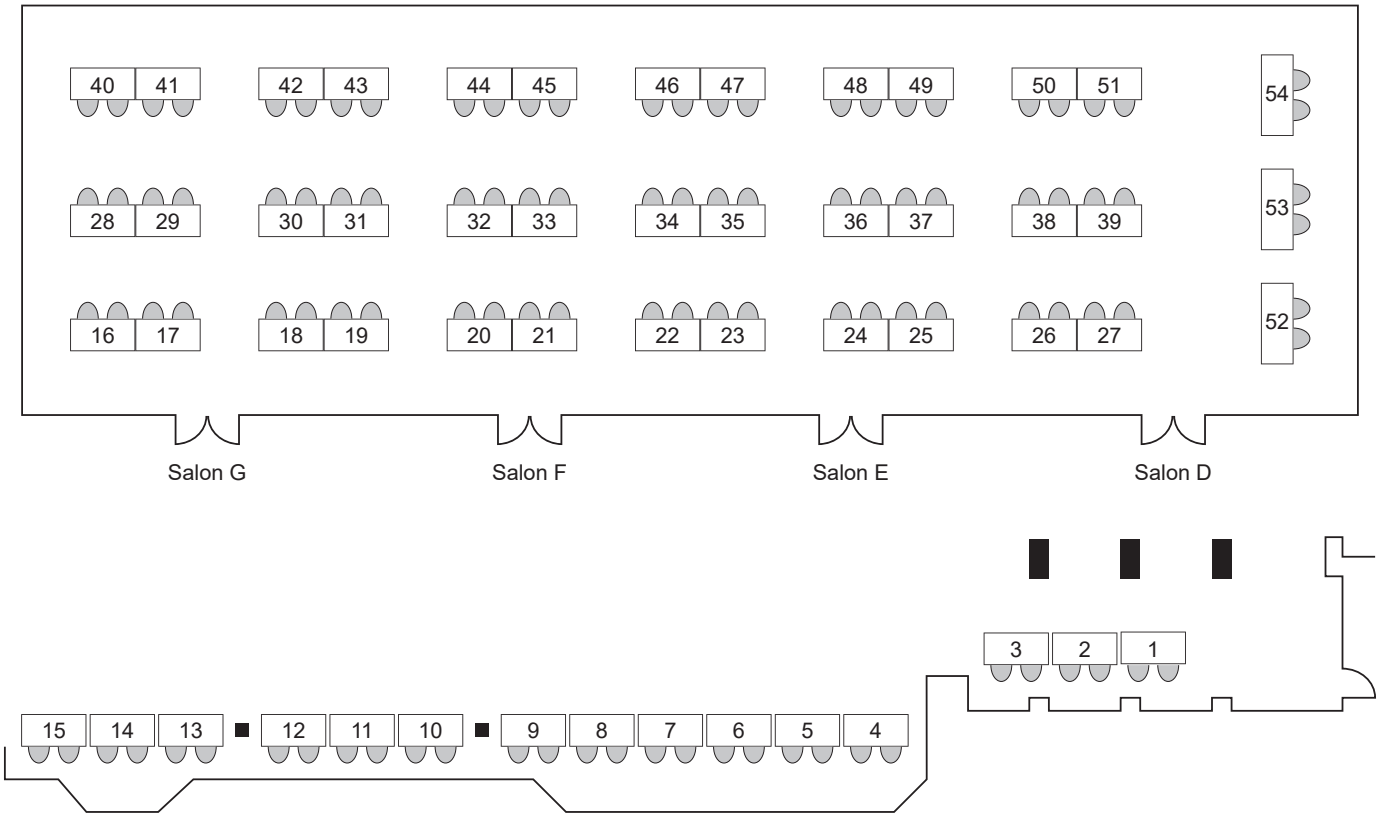
Meeting Room Maps

The Westin Crystal City

(Level 2)



Recruiter Table Locations
Grand Ballroom Salons DEFG



Recruiter Institutions and Table Numbers

Bentley University (16)
Waltham, MA

Bridgewater State University (31)
Bridgewater, MA

Colgate University (26)
Hamilton, NY

Columbia Southern University (21)
Orange Beach, AL

Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth College (3)
Hanover, NH

Georgia Institute of Technology (48)
Atlanta, GA

Hamilton College (38)
Kirkland, NY

Hope College (7)
Holland, MI

James Madison University (10)
Harrisonburg, VA

Metropolitan State University of Denver (40)
Denver, CO

NCFDD (20)
Detroit, MI

Norfolk State University (27)
Norfolk, VA

Oregon State University (42)
Corvallis, OR

Otterbein University (41)
Westerville, OH

Pennsylvania State University — Eberly College of Science (17)
University Park, PA

PennWest University (25)
California, PA

Rochester Institute of Technology (18)
Rochester, NY

Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (02)
Slippery Rock, PA

Spelman College (43)
Atlanta, GA

Stony Brook University (4)
Stony Brook, NY

SUNY Brockport (12)
Brockport, NY

Texas Christian University (1)
Ft. Worth, TX

University of Idaho (32)
Moscow, ID

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (15)
Urbana, IL

University of Minnesota (23)
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN

University of Minnesota Morris (24)
Morris, MN

University of New Mexico (19)
Albuquerque, NM

University of Vermont (8)
Burlington, VT

Wake Forest University (44)
Winston-Salem, NC

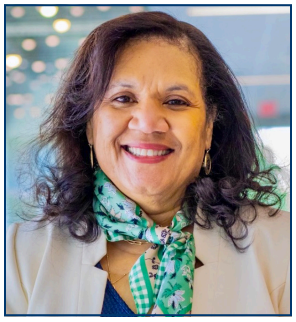
Plenary Speakers



Kimberly Griffin

Professor and Dean of the College of Education, University of Maryland

Dr. Kimberly Griffin is Dean of the College of Education and Professor of Higher Education, Student Affairs, and International Education Policy at the University of Maryland. She is an educator, researcher, and leader who aims to promote access, equity, and justice in higher education. She is driven by education's ability to make an impact in schools and communities and has worked throughout her career to maximize the connection between research and practice. Her most recent scholarship focuses on mentorship and increasing diversity and equity in graduate education and the faculty, and she is co-author of the 3rd edition of On Being a Mentor (with W. Brad Johnson). From 2019 to 2022, she served as the Editor of the Journal of Diversity in Higher Education. For the past five years, she has been named one of the 200 most influential education scholars by Education Week and is a fellow of the American Educational Research Association (AERA) and the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE).



Kecia Thomas

Professor of Psychology and former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Kecia M. Thomas, Ph.D., is a Trustee for Bucknell University and the former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She is Professor Emerita at the University of Georgia, where she spent 27 years as an Industrial-Organizational Psychology PhD faculty member. During that time, she successfully mentored 24 PhD students and held various leadership roles including Graduate Coordinator, Director of the Institute for African American Studies, Founding Director of the Center for Research and Engagement in Diversity, and Senior Associate Dean. An elected Fellow of the American Psychological Association and the Society for the Psychological Study of Culture, Ethnicity, and Identity, she was also the first Black woman elected Fellow of the Society for Industrial-Organizational Psychology. She has published 70+ articles/chapters, authored Diversity Dynamics in the Workplace, and edited six scholarly volumes, including editions 1 & 2 of Diversity Resistance in Organizations. Kecia is also the lead researcher of Pet to Threat, the groundbreaking framework that explains how high-potential women of color can go from being celebrated early in their careers to being perceived as threatening as their careers and leadership grow. This framework has reshaped how organizations think about retention, sponsorship, and bias at the top. Her expertise has been sought by diverse organizations, including Amazon, PepsiCo, Capital One, the National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine, and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, as well as universities, school districts, and healthcare organizations.

Plenary Speakers



Juan Gilbert

Andrew Banks Family Preeminence Endowed Professor, University of Florida

Dr. Juan E. Gilbert is the Andrew Banks Family Preeminence Endowed Professor and UF Distinguished Professor at the University of Florida where he leads the Computing for Social Good Lab. He is a Fellow of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM), a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a Fellow of the IEEE, a Fellow of the American Association of the Advancement of Science (AAAS), and a member of the National Academy of Inventors. In 2012, Dr. Gilbert received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring from President Barack Obama. In 2023, he was named a laureate of the National Medal of Technology and Innovation by President Joe Biden. President Biden also appointed Dr. Gilbert to the National Science Board in 2024.



Edwin Barea-Rodriguez

Blumberg Professor in Bioscience, Biology, Health, and the Environment, University of Texas, San Antonio

Edwin J. Barea-Rodriguez is a professor of neuroscience at the University of Texas at San Antonio. He attended Inter American University in San German, Puerto Rico, and majored in psychology. He obtained his Ph.D. in Biopsychology from Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Dr. Barea-Rodriguez has received numerous awards, including the Richard S. Howe Excellence in Service to Undergraduate Students Award (2006 and 2017), was named Sloan Mentor of the Year by the Southern Regional Education Board (2014), and was selected as one of 40 educators nationwide as a Vision and Change Leadership Fellow for the Partnership for Undergraduate Life Sciences Education (2012). For twenty years, he served as the Program Director of the National Institute of General Medical Sciences-funded programs, which provided financial support and mentorship for students from underrepresented groups to prepare them to pursue Ph.D. studies in biomedical and behavioral disciplines. His career has been dedicated to removing barriers and creating pathways for students to succeed in STEM fields.

Plenary Speakers



Stephanie Danette Preston

Associate Dean and Chief Diversity Officer for Graduate Education, Pennsylvania State University

Stephanie Danette Preston is the Associate Dean for Graduate Educational Engagement. Previously, Dr. Preston was the Senior Director of the Office of Graduate Educational Equity Programs where she spearheaded the Graduate School's efforts to increase diversity within the graduate student community across the University. Dr. Preston has administered, coordinated and evaluated comprehensive recruitment programs and retention activities which enhance the professional development of underrepresented graduate students. As Senior Director, and in her current role, Dr. Preston leads the Big Ten Academic Alliance Summer Research Opportunities Program and the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program. She has represented Penn State as a participant in programs such as the National Science Foundation's Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate, designed to broaden participation in science technology, engineering and mathematics disciplines. Additionally, she has coordinated the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Scholars Program. Dr. Preston completed her Ph.D. at Penn State in curriculum & instruction in science education. Her graduate research focused on the underrepresentation of ethnic minorities and women in STEM fields. She received her bachelor's degree in biology and her master's degree in curriculum & instruction (science education) at Xavier University of Louisiana. Dr. Preston taught high school biology, chemistry, and human anatomy & physiology in New Orleans.



Tabitha Hardy

Assistant Dean for Student Services and Instructional Support, Texas Southern University

Dr. Tabitha M. Hardy is a nationally recognized higher education leader, scientist, educator, and advocate for student success. She serves as Assistant Dean for Student Services and Instructional Support and Assistant Professor of Biology in the College of Science, Engineering and Technology at Texas Southern University, where she leads initiatives focused on student engagement, academic support, advising, retention, and instructional excellence.

A native of Meridian, Mississippi, Dr. Hardy is the youngest of ten children and the first in her family to earn a bachelor's degree. She earned degrees from Alcorn State University, Jackson State University, and Indiana University School of Medicine, followed by a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. She began her academic career as a biology professor and has since developed a distinguished record of leadership in higher education.

Plenary Speakers

Before joining Texas Southern, Dr. Hardy served in leadership roles at Indiana University Indianapolis, where she advanced graduate education, student development, and access initiatives. Throughout her career, she has championed recruitment, retention, mentoring, leadership development, and career readiness programs that support student success and expand educational opportunities.

Dr. Hardy's contributions have been recognized through numerous national awards. Driven by her own journey as a first-generation college graduate, Dr. Hardy is passionate about helping students overcome barriers, realize their potential, and achieve their aspirations. Through her leadership, teaching, and mentorship, she continues to advance student success, educational equity, and workforce preparation while developing the next generation of scholars, innovators, and leaders.

Thank You

We would like to acknowledge and thank partnering institutions for their contribution and support of the

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29		
8:00 AM - 12:30 PM	**Changing Landscapes: Recruiter Professional Development Workshop** *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board ***Re-Thinking Mentoring: Building Communities of Support and Accountability*** *Presenter*: **Joy Gayles**, Department of Educational Leadership, Policy, and Human Development, North Carolina State University ***Don't Drop the Baton: Continuing Structured Mentoring After Doctoral Training*** *Presenters*: **Ivonne Vidal Pizarro**, Director of Postdoctoral Affairs & Research Training, University of Kentucky **Peter Myers**, Entrepreneur *Presenters*: ***Utilizing National Academic Pathway Programs for Institutional Recruitment & Retention*** **Curtis D. Byrd**, Executive Director, Graduate Pipeline & Outreach Programs, UC Davis **Rihana Mason**, Georgia State University; Co-Founders, Academic Pipeline Project **Michael Hunt**, Director, McNair Scholars Program, University of Maryland, Baltimore **Leislie Godo-Solo**, Education Programs Specialist, Institute for Recruitment of Teachers **Alfonzo Alexander**, President & CEO, The PhD Project **Karl Reid**, Executive Director, NOBCChE	**CGM-Alexandria (Second Level)**
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM	**Sloan MSI Graduate Recruitment & Research Engagement Initiative** *Presiding*: **Lisa R. Abston**, Assistant Provost for Graduate Access and Engagement, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and **Stephanie Danette Preston**, Associate Dean and Chief Diversity Officer for Graduate Education, Pennsylvania State University	**WCC-Jefferson I (Second Level)**
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	**Academic Job Market Boot Camp for Sloan Scholar Alumni** *Presiding*: **Veronica Zepeda**, Program Director, Sloan Scholars Mentoring Network, Social Science Research Council	**WCC-Crystal V-VI (Second Level)**

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29		
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM	**Regional Advisory Committee Meeting** *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board, and **Christian Ford**, Program Specialist, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board	**CGM-Alexandria (Second Level)**
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	**Sloan MSI Graduate Recruitment & Research Engagement Initiative Lunch**	**WCC-Jefferson II (Second Level)**
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	**Sloan Scholar Poster Presentations**	**WCC-Crystal II-IV (Second Level)**
4:00 PM - 9:00 PM	**Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Guest Scholars Orientation** *Presiding*: **Maurice Williams, Jr.** Assistant Professor of Education and Educational Leadership, Bridgewater State University, and **Lee Johnson, III**, Senior Fellow, Early Childhood Education, Southern Education Foundation	**CGM-Alexandria (Second Level)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Recruiter Orientation** *Presiding*: **Rana Johnson**, Independent Higher Education Consultant	**CGM-Pentagon (First Level)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Networking**	**WCC-Jefferson Ballroom (Second Level)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Sloan Scholar Networking Session** *Presiding*: **Veronica Zepeda**, Program Director, Sloan Scholars Mentoring Network, Social Science Research Council	**WCC-Atrium & Crystal V-VI (Second Level)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**SREB Scholars Orientation** **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board, and **Christian Ford**, Program Specialist, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board	**CGM-Grand ABJK (First Level)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Undergraduate Scholars Orientation** *Presiding*: **Lynn Curry**, Director, McNair Scholars Program, Central Michigan University	**CGM-McLean (Second Level)**
6:45 PM - 8:30 PM	**Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Welcome Reception for Sloan Scholars and Sloan Grantee Leadership** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	**WCC-Jefferson Ballroom (Second Level)**
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	**Welcome and Opening Reception** **Sponsored by Texas Christian University**	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30		
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	**Guest Scholars Breakfast Meeting** *Presiding*: **Maurice Williams, Jr.** Assistant Professor of Education and Educational Leadership, Bridgewater State University, and **Lee Johnson, III**, Senior Fellow, Early Childhood Education, Southern Education Foundation	**CGM-Alexandria (Second Level)**
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	**Recruiters Breakfast Meeting** *Presiding*: **Rana Johnson**, Independent Higher Education Consultant	**CGM-Rosslyn (Lobby Level)**
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	**Sloan Scholars**, **Graduates, and Grantee Leadership Breakfast** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	**WCC-Jefferson Ballroom (Second Level)**
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	**SREB Scholars Breakfast Meeting** **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board, and **Christian Ford**, Program Specialist, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board	**CGM-Grand ABJK (First Level)**
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	**Undergraduate Scholars Breakfast Meeting** *Presiding*: **Lynn Curry**, Director, McNair Scholars Program, Central Michigan University	**CGM-McLean (Second Level)**
8:45 AM - 10:15 AM	***Finding Joy on the Journey: Mentorship as a Site of Connection and Care*** Good mentorship can be an academic accelerator and professionally rewarding. But can it be joyful, too? Conversations about effective mentorship often center on skill development and achievement, but rarely acknowledge mentorship as a potential site of connection and care. Drawing on research, theory, and personal experience, this keynote explores how caring for ourselves and one another can transform academic relationships. Together, we will examine the practices and relational dynamics that cultivate trust, reciprocity, and joy, offering a vision of mentorship that not only supports professional success but also supports our ability to thrive. *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board *Plenary Speaker*: **Kimberly Griffin**, Professor and Dean of the College of Education, University of Maryland *Presenters*: **Brandon Beck**, Assistant Professor of Secondary Social Studies Education, University of Maryland, Baltimore County **Sayde King**, National Research Council Postdoctoral Research Associate, Air Force Research Laboratory	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30		
8:45 AM - 10:00 AM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting Session 1** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	**WCC-Crystal V-VI (Second Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	**Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
10:30 AM - 12:15 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting Session 2** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	**WCC-Jefferson III (Second Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**A Parent's Guide to Navigating a PhD** *Presiding*: **Thomas Snowden**, Professor of Biology, Prince George's Community College *Presenter*: **Nikia Pinson**, Graduate Research Assistant, Human Development and Family Science, University of Georgia	**CGM-Pentagon (First Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Describing your Research in Five Minutes or Less** *Presiding*: **Melanie Moseley**, University of Pittsburgh *Presenter*: **Antoinette Stroter**, Policy Analyst, Virginia Department of Education	**CGM-Grand C (First Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Developing your Curriculum Vitae** *Presiding*: **LaShaune Smith-Brisbon**, Associate Professor of Education, Voorhees University *Presenter*: **Ali Gordon**, Dean, College of Engineering, Wichita State University	**CGM-Grand K (First Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Navigating a Changing Landscape: An Analysis of Humanities Faculty in the United States** *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board *Presenters*: **Lyndsay Parks**, Director, Tuition Break, New England Board of Higher Education **Nicholas Fuselier**, Director of Academic Partnerships, Learning, and Development, Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education	**CGM-Grand H (First Level)**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30		
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Navigating the Graduate Journey: Tools for Creating Agency in Mentoring Relationships** *Presiding*: **Catherine Cotrupi**, Assistant Dean for Student Services and Strategic Partnerships, Virginia Tech *Presenter*: **Julie Harlin Wolf**, Associate Dean, Graduate and Professional School, Texas A&M University	**CGM-Rosslyn (Lobby Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Partnering with AI: Learning to Learn with AI in the Academic Landscape** *Presiding*: **Charris Gabaldon**, Physicist, Department of Defense *Presenter*: **Wes Fondren**, Associate Provost for Artificial Intelligence, Academic Technology, and Professional Development, Coastal Carolina University	**CGM-Grand A (First Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Presenting Research Effectively** *Presiding*: **Carrie Robison**, Deputy Commissioner for Research and Sponsored Initiatives, Louisiana Board of Regents *Presenters*: **Tammy McCoy**, Assistant Director for TA Development and Future Faculty Initiatives, Georgia Institute of Technology **Colleen McLinn**, Associate Dean for Professional Development, Cornell University	**CGM-Grand B (First Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Public Scholarship for Graduate Students and Early Career Researchers** *Presiding*: **Amalia Mallard**, Rutgers University — Newark *Presenter*: **Dakotah Tyler**, Planetarium Director and Physics Professor, Pomona College	**CGM-Grand J (First Level)**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**CV Reviews**	**CGM-Second Level**
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	**Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30		
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	**Passing the Torch: Mentor of the Year Alumni on Cultivating Scholarly Communities and Leadership Pipelines** This plenary panel brings together previous recipients of the Institute on Teaching and Mentoring's Mentor of the Year award to share their collective wisdom on fostering the next generation of academic leaders. Drawing from decades of experience mentoring doctoral scholars across diverse disciplines, these award-winning mentors will reflect on the evolution of mentoring practices and the critical role of intentional community-building in developing scholars who lead. Panelists will discuss strategies for creating sustainable mentoring ecosystems, navigating challenges in graduate student development, and translating individual mentoring success into institutional and disciplinary impact. *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board *Panelists*: **Edwin Barea-Rodriguez**, Blumberg Professor in Bioscience, Biology, Health, and the Environment, University of Texas, San Antonio **Stephanie Danette Preston**, Associate Dean and Chief Diversity Officer for Graduate Education, Pennsylvania State University **Tabitha Hardy**, Assistant Dean for Student Services and Instructional Support, Texas Southern University	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**
2:00 PM - 2:45 PM	**Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
2:15 PM - 5:15 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting Session 3** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	**WCC-Jefferson III (Second Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Cultivating Your Network of Mentors, Sponsors and Collaborators** *Presiding*: **Ana Esqueda**, Indiana University, Indianapolis *Presenter*: **Joy Gayles**, Head, Department of Educational Leadership, Policy, and Human Development, North Carolina State University	**CGM-Rosslyn (Lobby Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Everything a New Faculty Member Needs to Know about Becoming an Effective Advisor and Mentor** *Presiding*: **Jeff Wilson**, Associate Dean of the Graduate School, Virginia Commonwealth University *Presenter*: **Loretta McGregor**, Associate Dean, Arkansas State University	**CGM-Grand H (First Level)**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30		
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**First and Lasting Impressions: Organizing for the Interview** *Presiding*: **La Toya Smith**, LFW Clinical Counseling & Community Consulting *Presenter*: **Rana Johnson**, Independent Higher Education Consultant	**CGM-Grand C (First Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Getting Published: Strategies for Scholars** *Presiding*: **Catherine Cotrupi**, Assistant Dean for Student Services and Strategic Partnerships, Virginia Tech *Presenter*: **Stephanie Y. Evans**, Professor, Georgia State University	**CGM-Grand B (First Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Soft Skills: The Key to Success and Advancement** *Presiding*: **Amanda Sokan**, Associate Professor/Program Director, University of Arizona, Mel & Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health *Presenters*: **Donald Asher**, Managing Partner, Asher Associates	**CGM-Grand B (First Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Stuck at Crossroads: Assessing Career Decisions** *Presiding*: **Carrie Robison**, Deputy Commissioner for Research and Sponsored Initiatives, Louisiana Board of Regents *Presenter*: **Kimyata Valère**, Founder and CEO, Valère-Sammuel Consulting LLC	**CGM-Grand J (First Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Student Centered Teaching - Designing Your Course to Optimize Students' Opportunity to Learn** *Presiding*: **Gail McFarland**, Instructor, Georgia State University *Presenter*: **Edwin Barea-Rodriguez**, Blumberg Professor in Bioscience, Biology, Health, and the Environment, University of Texas, San Antonio	**CGM-Pentagon (First Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Taking Care of You: Strategies for Stress Management and Well-being** *Presiding*: **Thomas Snowden**, Professor of Biology, Prince George's Community College *Presenter*: **Lynn Curry**, Director, McNair Scholars Program, Central Michigan University	**CGM-Grand K (First Level)**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**CV Reviews**	**CGM-Second Level**
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	**Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30		
4:00 PM - 5:15 PM	**Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	**Institute Graduates' Award Banquet Dinner** *Presiding*: **Curtis Byrd**, Exec. Director, Graduate Pipeline & Outreach Program and CEO and Co-Founder, UC Davis & Academic Pipeline Project	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31		
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM	**Breakfast & Plenary Address: *Managing Relationships in Graduate School and at Work*** Graduate school is hard, and so is work. Yet some people move through their graduate and professional careers with hardly a scratch. What do they know? Organizational Psychology research will be shared to help attendees better understand the invisible culture of graduate school and the workplace, as well as strategies for how to successfully navigate both while maintaining well-being. *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board *Plenary Speaker*: **Kecia Thomas**, Professor of Psychology and former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Breakfast**	**WCC-Jefferson II (Second Level)**
9:30 AM - 10:15 AM	**Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
9:45 AM - 12:45 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting Session 4** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	**WCC-Jefferson III (Second Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**From Survival to Transformation: Implementing Holistic Critical Mentoring in Graduate Mentoring Relationships** *Presiding*: **Catherine Cotrupi**, Assistant Dean for Student Services and Strategic Partnerships, Virginia Tech *Presenter*: **Michael Hunt**, Director, McNair Scholars Program, University of Maryland, Baltimore County	**CGM-Pentagon (First Level)**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31		
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Landing Your First Job in Academia** *Presiding*: **Erica Doe**, Tulane University *Presenter*: **Darrius Stanley**, Carmen Starkson Campbell Endowed Fellow for Innovation in Teacher Development, University of Minnesota	**CGM-Grand A (First Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Navigating the Dissertation Journey: Strategies for Success in Academic Writing** *Presiding*: **Makeba Lindsay D'Abreu**, Virginia Commonwealth University *Presenter*: **Adéyemi Doss**, Assistant Professor, Saint Louis University	**CGM-Grand K (First Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Navigating the Storm: Addressing Microaggressions** *Presiding*: **Ashley Burge**, Associate Professor of English, Augustana College *Presenter*: **LaToya Roberts**, Assistant Clinical Professor, Northeastern University	**CGM-Grand B (First Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Own Your Next Step: A Strategic Workshop on the Postdoc** *Presiding*: **Rafael Alamilla**, Postdoctoral Fellow, Indiana University Bloomington *Presenters*: **Ivonne Vidal Pizarro**, Director of Postdoctoral Affairs & Research Training, University of Kentucky **Peter Myers**, Former Associate Director, Postdoctoral Education and Partnerships, Washington University in St. Louis	**CGM-Grand H (First Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Patenting Your Research Ideas and Building Your Intellectual Property Portfolio** *Presiding*: **Nelson Zounlomè**, Founder-CEO, Liberate The Block Presenters: **Karen Burg**, Harbor Lights Chair of Biomedical Research and Interim Chief Executive Office, NextGA, University of Georgia **Kyrie Wilson**, Postdoctoral Research Assisstant / Co-Founder, Medical University of South Carolina / MitoMend LLC	**CGM-Grand C (First Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Personal Branding for Graduate Students and Early Career Researchers** *Presiding*: **LaShaune Smith-Brisbon**, Associate Professor of Education, Voorhees University *Presenter*: **Ijeoma Kola**, Executive Director, Cohort Sistas	**CGM-Grand J (First Level)**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31		
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**They Say Your Net Worth is Your Network: Using the Graduate Student Experience to Enhance Your Net Worth** *Presiding*: **Thomas Snowden**, Professor of Biology, Prince George's Community College *Presenter*: **Omari Jackson**, Assistant Dean, College of Education, Towson University	**CGM-Rosslyn (Lobby Level)**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**CV Reviews**	**CGM-Second Level**
10:15 AM - 11:30 AM	**Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**Networking for Personal and Professional Development: Managing Your Future in a Social Networking World** *Presiding*: **LaShaune Smith-Brisbon**, Associate Professor of Education, Voorhees University *Presenter*: **Reggie Miller**, Chief Culture and Inclusion Officer, GE Vernova	**CGM-Grand C (First Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**Pathways to the Presidency** *Presiding*: **Rana Johnson**, Independent Higher Education Consultant *Panelists*: **T. Ramon Stuart**, President, West Virginia University Institute of Technology **Kimberly Moffitt**, Dean, Cathy Hughes School of Communications, Howard University **Thomas Rochon**, Former President, Ithaca College	**CGM-Grand K (First Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**Reimagining Mentoring: Supporting Scholars and Leaders in an AI-Shaped Academy** *Presiding*: **Nelson Zounlomè**, Founder-CEO, Liberate The Block *Presenter*: **Stacy Blake-Beard**, Clinical Professor, Tuck School of Business, Dartmouth College	**CGM-Grand H (First Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**Secrets From Behind the Scenes — Demystifying the Faculty Job Search Process** *Presiding*: **Kristopher Marshall**, Director of Saluki Student Success Initiatives, Southern Illinois University Carbondale *Presenter*: **Elizabeth Naranjo Hayes**, Assistant Professor of Spanish and French Linguistics, Truman State University	**CGM-Grand B (First Level)**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31		
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**The PhinisheD/FinishEdD #WhoGotNext Method: A Systematic Blueprint for Dissertation Completion and Career Launch** *Presiding*: **Gail McFarland**, Instructor, Georgia State University *Presenter*: **Daniel Jean**, Associate Provost, Montclair State University	**CGM-Grand A (First Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**Tips for Writing Grant Proposals** *Presiding*: **Catherine Cotrupi**, Assistant Dean for Student Services and Strategic Partnerships, Virginia Tech *Presenter*: **Sharon Smith**, Vice President, Education Outreach Partnership, DPC Dean of Students, Arizona State University	**CGM-Grand J (First Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**What is your Faculty Career Fit?** *Presiding*: **Thomas Snowden**, Professor of Biology, Prince George's Community College *Presenter*: **Omari Swinton**, Associate Professor and Chair, Economics Department, Howard University	**CGM-Pentagon (First Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**What to Do After You Apply to Graduate School to Ensure Admission and Funding** *Presiding*: **Jessica Gadsden**, Assistant Professor, Alabama A&M University *Presenter*: **Donald Asher**, Managing Partner, Asher Associates	**CGM-Rosslyn (Lobby Level)**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**CV Reviews**	**CGM-Second Level**
11:45 AM - 1:00 PM	**Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	**Luncheon and Awards Program** **Award Presentations: Mentor of the Year, Outstanding Institute Alumnus Award, Walt Jacobs Travel Award** *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	**Networking Break/Faculty Recruiting Station Visits**	**CGM-Grand Ballroom D-G (First Level)**
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	**Group Photos**	**CGM-Skyview (First Level)**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31		
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	**Scholar Exchange** The Scholar Exchange is an interactive networking session designed to help scholars share their research, connect across disciplines, and build relationships with peers and institutional recruiters. Brief structured activities will lead into an open networking reception focused on collaboration, career connections, and community. *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board	**CGM-Grand ABCHJK (First Level)**
9:00 PM - 12:00 AM	**Dessert Reception** Dance the night away with DJ Rhome Anderson!	**CGM-Grand Ballroom (First Level)**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1		
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	**Last Call with New SREB Scholars** **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board, and **Christian Ford**, Program Specialist, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board	**CGM-Grand A (First Level)**
9:45 AM - 11:30 AM	**Brunch and Closing: Building Scholars and Developing Leaders while Solving Real World Problems** Dr. Juan E. Gilbert leads the Computing for Social Good lab at the University of Florida. His research aims to use computing to solve real world problems by integrating people with technology, policy and culture. In this talk, Dr. Gilbert will discuss innovations from the lab while illustrating exceptional lab members. The primary focus of this keynote is to demonstrate building scholars and developing leaders while solving real world problems. *Presiding*: **Tiffany Harrison**, Director, Doctoral Scholars Program, Southern Regional Education Board *Plenary Speaker*: **Juan Gilbert**, Andrew Banks Family Preeminence Endowed Professor, University of Florida	**CGM-Arlington Ballroom (First Level)**

ALFRED P. SLOAN FOUNDATION

Sloan Agenda

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

7:30 AM - 4:35 PM	**Sloan Scholars Academic Job Market Bootcamp** (for Sloan alumni by invitation only) *Presiding*: **Veronica Zepeda**, Program Director, Sloan Scholars Network	**Westin Crystal City** **Crystal V - VI (2nd Floor)**
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM	**Sloan MSI Graduate Recruitment and Research Engagement Initiative** (UCEM/SCSC/MSI institutions by invitation only) *Presiding*: **Stephanie Danette Preston**, The Pennsylvania State University **Lisa R. Abston**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	**Westin Crystal City** **Jefferson I (2nd Floor)**
2:00 PM - 3:15 PM	Break	
3:15 PM - 5:30 PM	**Sloan Scholar Poster Presentations** (all Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates, MSIs and Grantee Leadership)	**Westin Crystal City** **Crystal II - IV (2nd Floor)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Networking** (all UCEM, SCSC, MSI institutions leadership only) *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education	**Westin Crystal City** **Jefferson I - III (2nd Floor)**
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	**Sloan Scholar Meet & Greet** (all Sloan Scholars and UCEM affiliates) *Presiding*: **Veronica Zepeda**, Program Director, Sloan Scholars Network	**Westin Crystal City** **Crystal V - VI (2nd Floor)**
6:45 PM - 8:30 PM	**Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Welcome Reception** (all Sloan Scholars, UCEM Affiliates, Grantee Leadership, invited Friends of Sloan) *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education	**Westin Crystal City** **Jefferson I - III (2nd Floor)**

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7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	**Sloan Scholars, Graduates, and Grantee Leadership and invited MSI Leadership Breakfast**	**Westin Crystal City** **Jefferson I - III (2nd Floor)**
8:45 AM - 10:15 AM	**Opening Plenary** (all Sloan Scholars and UCEM affiliates) Finding Joy on the Journey: Mentorship as a Site of Connection and Care	**Crystal Gateway Marriott** **Arlington Ballroom** **(1st Level)**
10:15 AM - 5:15 PM	**Sloan Scholars and UCEM affiliates attend SREB professional development sessions/faculty recruiting stations**	**Crystal Gateway Marriott** See Institute app for sessions and location
8:45 AM - 10:20 AM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting** **Reimagining the Future of Graduate Education** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education **Nicole Jolly**, Equivolve	**Westin Crystal City** **Crystal V - VI (2nd Floor)**
10:20 AM - 10:35 AM	Break	
10:35 AM - 12:15 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting** **Reimagining the Future of Graduate Education** *Presiding*: Lorelle Espinosa, Program Director, Higher Education **Nicole Jolly**, Equivolve	**Westin Crystal City** **Jefferson III (2nd Floor)**
12:30 - 2:00 PM	**Lunch Plenary: Passing the Torch: Mentor of the Year Alumni on Cultivating Scholarly Communities and Leadership Pipeline** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott** **Arlington Ballroom** **(1st Level)**
2:15 PM - 5:15 PM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting** **Reimagining the Future of Graduate Education** *Presiding*: **Lorelle Espinosa**, Program Director, Higher Education **Nicole Jolly**, Equivolve	**Westin Crystal City** **Jefferson III (2nd Floor)**
5:30 PM -7:30 PM	**Institute Graduates' Award Banquet Dinner** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott** **Arlington Ballroom** **(1st Level)**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31		
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM	**Breakfast & Plenary Address: Managing Relationships in Graduate School and Work** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott Arlington Ballroom (1st Level)**
9:30 AM - 1:00 PM	**Sloan Scholars and UCEM affiliates attend SREB professional development sessions/faculty recruiting stations**	**Crystal Gateway Marriott** See Institute app for sessions and location
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	**Sloan Grantee Leadership *Continental* Breakfast** (for late risers only)	**Westin Crystal City Jefferson II (2nd Floor)**
9:45 AM - 12:45 PM	**Option 1: Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting** (for SCSC implementation grantees only)	**Westin Crystal City Jefferson III (2nd Floor)**
9:45 AM - 12:45 PM	**Option 2: Sloan Grantee Leadership Meeting** (for SIGP grantee leadership only)	**Westin Crystal City Executive Boardroom (2nd Floor)**
9:45 AM - 12:45 PM	**Option 3: Free networking time for Sloan UCEM Grantee Leadership**	
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	**Luncheon and Awards Program** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott Arlington Ballroom (1st Level)**
3:00PM - 4:00 PM	**Group Photos** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott Skyview (1st Level)**
4:00PM - 5:00 PM	**Scholar Networking** (Sloan Scholars and UCEM affiliates)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott Grand Ballroom (1st Level)**
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	***Dinner on your own***	
9:00 PM – 11:59 PM	**Dessert Reception** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership)	**Crystal Gateway Marriott Grand Ballroom (1st Level)**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1		
9:45 AM - 11:30 AM	**Brunch and Closing Session** (Sloan Scholars, UCEM affiliates and Grantee Leadership) **Building Scholars and Developing Leaders while Solving Real World Problems** *Keynote Speaker*: **Juan Gilbert**	**Crystal Gateway Marriott Arlington Ballroom (1st Level)**



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