

Mississippi IDeA/EPSCoR Conference 2025

July 24, 2025 | Ole Miss Student Union | Oxford, MS

7:30-8:15 AM Registration Lobby			
8:15-9 AM Welcome and Keynote Lecture <i>Focusing a sustainability lens on additive manufacturing: Asking more from science and engineering</i> Keynote Speaker: Dr. Timothy E. Long, ASU Ballroom			
9-10 AM Mississippi NASA EPSCoR Aerospace and Space Research Progress Chair: Dr. Han-Gyu Kim, MSU Room 321	9-10 AM Mississippi INBRE Developmental Research Project Core Chair: Dr. Jacques Kessl, USM Room 326	9-10 AM Glycoscience Center of Research Excellence I Chair: Dr. Thomas Werfel, Ole Miss Ballroom	9-10 AM NIEC Research Focus Area I Co-Chair: Dr. Nicholas Fitzkee, MSU Co-Chair: Dr. Eden Tanner, Ole Miss Auditorium
10-11 AM Poster Session A Room 323			
11 AM - 12 PM Mississippi Department of Defense EPSCoR Overview Chair: Dr. Shanti Bhushan, MSU Room 321	11 AM - 12 PM Mississippi INBRE Data Science Session Chair: Dr. Catherine Shi, MSU Room 326	11 AM - 12 PM Glycoscience Center of Research Excellence II Chair: Dr. Thomas Werfel, Ole Miss Ballroom	11 AM - 12 PM NIEC Research Focus Area II Co-Chair: Dr. Alex Flynt, Ole Miss Co-Chair: Dr. Debarshi Roy, Alcorn State Auditorium
12-1:30 PM Lunch and Industry-Academic Partnership Panel <i>Building Successful Partnerships</i> Moderator: Dr. Kelly Lucas, USM Ballroom			
1:30-2:30 PM Exploring STEM Awards and Opportunities Speaker: Dr. Whitney Woods, Ole Miss Room 321	1:30-2:30 PM Career Readiness Skills for the Modern Market Speaker: David Hamilton, Ole Miss Auditorium	1:30-2:30 PM Writing Grants That Get Funded: Lessons from the Mistakes We Have Made Co-Chair: Dr. Tristan Clemons, USM Co-Chair: Dr. Thomas Werfel, Ole Miss Ballroom	
2:30-3:30 PM Poster Session B Room 323			
3:30-4:30 PM Mississippi Emerging Research Institutions Chair: Dr. Victor Bii, MVSU Room 321	3:30-4:30 PM Mississippi INBRE Instrumentation & Services Core Chair: Dr. Michael Garrett, UMMC Room 326	3:30-4:30 PM Mississippi INBRE Community Engagement & Training Core Panel Moderator: Dr. Lashanda D. Brumfield, USM Ballroom	3:30-4:30 PM NIEC Research Focus Area III Co-Chair: Dr. Amol Janorkar, UMMC Co-Chair: Dr. Lauren Priddy, MSU Auditorium
4:30-5 PM Awards and Closing Remarks Ballroom			

Abbreviations Key:

- Alcorn State – Alcorn State University
- ASU – Arizona State University
- MBK, Inc. – My Brother's Keeper, Inc.
- MSU – Mississippi State University
- MVSU – Mississippi Valley State University
- Ole Miss – University of Mississippi
- UMMC – University of Mississippi Medical Center
- USM – The University of Southern Mississippi