



Friday, March 19

TIME

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

SESSION

Opening Remarks and Keynote

Speakers:



Jean Andino, Ph.D., P.E.
Director, Western Alliance to
Expand Student Opportunities
(WAESO)



Astronaut Stephanie Wilson
Astronaut/Mission Support Crew
Branch Chief, National Aeronautics
and Space Administration (NASA)

Dr. Jean Andino, WAESO Program Director, will open the conference and welcome attendees followed by Astronaut Stephanie Wilson who will speak about her extraordinary career in the space program.

10:00 AM–11:00 AM

Student Research Conference Poster Presentations

Student poster presenters from multiple STEM fields will present their most current research and findings to fellow attendees and faculty poster judges.

11:00 AM–11:15 AM

Break

11:15 AM–12:15 PM

Why You Should Consider Doctoral Education or the Professoriate, Personal Testimonials, Part I

Speakers:



Gary F. Moore, Ph.D.
Associate Professor in the
School of Molecular Sciences,
Arizona State University



Emmanuel J. Morales Butler, Ph.D.
Associate Professor in the Department of
Natural Sciences, University of Puerto Rico,
Utuado Campus



Tammi Duncan, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor for Biology,
University of New Mexico-
Valencia

Presenters will speak about their own personal and educational experiences as they encourage and motivate students to pursue a Ph.D. and ultimately enter careers in the professoriate and beyond.

12:15 PM–1:00 PM

Lunch Break

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

How to Apply for Graduate School

Speaker:



Clayton J. Clark II, Ph.D., P.E.

Professor in Civil and Environmental
Engineering, Florida Agricultural &
Mechanical University

Students will receive advice and learn about specific strategies and techniques for submitting successful graduate school applications.

2:00 PM–3:00 PM

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3:00 PM–3:30PM

Closing Remarks

Saturday, March 20

TIME

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

SESSION

Opening Remarks and Keynote

Speakers:



Jean Andino, Ph.D., P.E.

Director, Western Alliance to Expand Student Opportunities



Erika Tatiana Camacho, Ph.D.

Program Director/Professor, National Science Foundation/Arizona State University

Dr. Jean Andino, WAESO Program Director, will welcome back conference attendees for day two of the WAESO Student Research Conference followed by Dr. Erika Camacho who will speak about her education, personal experiences and career in the professoriate.

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11:00 AM–11:15 AM

Break

11:15 AM–12:15 PM

Why You Should Consider Doctoral Education or the Professoriate, Personal Testimonials, Part II

Speakers:



Karina Montilla Edmonds, Ph.D.
Vice President, Global Lead, SAP, Academies and University Alliances



Otakuye Conroy-Ben, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor in the School of Sustainable Engineering and the Built Environment, Arizona State University



Edray Herber Goins, Ph.D.
Professor, Pomona Research in Mathematics Experience (PRiME)

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12:15 PM–1:00 PM

Lunch Break

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

How to Succeed in Graduate School

Speaker:



Mauro Rodriguez Jr., Ph.D.
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, California
Institute of Technology

Students will gain insightful tips and advice for pursuing a successful graduate education.

2:00 PM–3:00 PM

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3:00 PM–3:30PM

Closing Remarks