



SOUTH CENTRAL NEWSLETTER

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Our Region serves the following Institutions :

Tennessee

American Baptist College
Fisk University- **South Central Hub**
Lane College
LeMoyné Owen College
Meharry Medical College
Tennessee State University

Oklahoma

Langston University

Louisiana

Dillard University
Grambling State University
Southern University and A&M College
Southern University New Orleans
Southern University
Xavier University

Kentucky

Kentucky State University
Simmons College of Kentucky

Texas

Huston-Tillotson University
Jarvis Christian College
Paul Quinn College
Prairie View A&M University
Southwestern Christian College
St. Philip's College
Texas College
Texas Southern University
Wiley College

Arkansas

University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
Arkansas Baptist College
Philander Smith University
Shorter College

Missouri

Harris-Stowe State University
Lincoln University

National Data Science Alliance Workgroup Invitations: First and foremost, we are pleased to announce that invitations for our National Data Science Alliance Workgroups are now being sent out across the country! These workgroups serve as collaborative hubs where data scientists, researchers, and enthusiasts can come together to tackle complex challenges, share insights, and drive innovation in the field of data science. If you've received an invitation, we encourage you to join a workgroup and contribute to our growing data science community.

What to Expect:

- Each workgroup will consist of four institutional teams, each with three members.
- Individual participants are required to attend two live Friday 1-hour virtual sessions.
- Institutional teams will hold two additional monthly meetings.
- Together, your team will craft a proposal for a new data science academic program tailored to your institution's needs.

Outstanding News from the South Central Region: In the South Central Region of the NDSA, we have some fantastic news to share. We intend to host a total of 6 workshops throughout the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters. Please share any ideas, we would love to hear from you, for potential topics for workshops related to Data Science.



If you are interested in joining a future workgroup or learning more please scan here.

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NATIONAL DATA SCIENCE ALLIANCE

WHO WE ARE: A national network of HBCUs to expand data science discoveries and opportunities.

VISION: The National Data Science Alliance (NDSA) will increase the number of Blacks earning data science credentials (e.g., major, minor, certificate, or postbaccalaureate) by at least 20,000 and create equitable data science research, techniques, and models.

MISSION: Expand data science research and education at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and develop a national network of HBCUs with industry, government, and academic collaboration to transform data science discoveries into tangible societal benefits that advance equity for all.

SERVING: HBCU faculty and staff play a key role in developing new techniques, technologies, and methodologies that spur equitable innovations in data science for social good. This project will catalyze systemic change at scale by engaging HBCU faculty and staff in data science training, curriculum development, and research.

GOALS: (1) expand academic and research opportunities that engage HBCU undergraduate and graduate students in data science; (2) develop research in data science that reduces bias and promotes ethics, fairness, and validity (3) foster the growth of sustainable institutional capacity in data science at HBCUs; and (4) champion evidence-based inclusive practices and strategies that broaden the participation of HBCUs in data science.



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