



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
Meherriyyah 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

Greetings from The NDSA Community:

Happy New Year All! We hope this newsletter finds you in good health and high spirits. Here are some exciting updates from the National Data Science Alliance to kick off the new year.

Successful Completion of the Southcentral Region's First Faculty Workshop:

The Southcentral workshop series "Navigating the Data Science Landscape: The What, Why, and How?" was hosted by the esteemed Yvonne Phillips, an adjunct professor at Morehouse College with over 22 years of experience in the field of data science.

Professor Phillips provided valuable insights, shared practical knowledge and guided our faculty through the intricacies of the ever-evolving data science landscape. Our region heartily thanks Professor Phillips for her dedication and expertise.

We extend our gratitude to all the faculty members who participated in the two-day workshop series on January 11th and 12th. Your active engagement and enthusiasm contributed significantly to the event's success.

Completion of NDSA Post-Workshop Survey and Reflection Report:

As a reminder, all faculty participants are kindly requested to complete the NDSA Post-Workshop Survey and Reflection Report. Your feedback is crucial for us to continually enhance our programs and tailor future workshops to better meet your needs. Please take a few moments to share your thoughts and insights.

We look forward to a year filled with collaborative endeavors, knowledge sharing, and advancements in the NDSA's Southcentral region. Thank you for being a valuable part of the NDSA community.

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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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