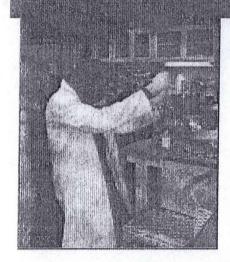


## PROMOTING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE THROUGH Systemic Mentoring



The Louis Stokes Louisiana Alliance for Minority Participation (LS-LAMP) began in 1995 with a five-year objective of doubling, by the end of 2000, the number of minority Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology (SMET) students receiving BS degrees from partner institutions and sending at least 20 percent of these graduates to enroll and succeed in SMET graduate programs in Louisiana and elsewhere. By the end of LS-LAMP's second phase, LS-LAMP proposes not only to maintain the gains of Phase I, but also to increase the number of high quality SMET BS degree production to 1,470 at a minimum, by 2005, while institutionalizing its entire operation.

Systemic and holistic mentoring provides the foundation for the successful matriculation of LS-LAMP scholars into SMET graduate programs and will remain at the forefront of LS-LAMP Phase II activities.

Student participation in academic year and summer research programs continues to be a vital component of LS-LAMP Phase II. For the past five (5) years, LS-LAMP and the Department of Energy's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) HRD program have jointly sponsored the Annual Research Conference. This year's conference attracted more than 300 students and faculty locally and nationally. LS-LAMP promotes its activities and scholars through the publication of the LAMP Journal, a quarterly newsletter mailed to more than 700 students, faculty, legislators and other LSAMP affiliates across the nation.

The integration of Research, Education and Mentoring has provided a strong foundation for the perpetuation of LS-LAMP and showcases a standard of academic excellence that is not only achieved by LS-LAMP scholars and affiliates, but also a standard that is nationally recognized as one of the foremost contributors to the education of underrepresented minorities pursuing SMET careers in the state of Louisiana.

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