

Alumni



MARITA AVIO-SANCHEZ completed BS degree requirements in Mechanical Design Engineering and Technology in 2002 at Oklahoma State University. She attended graduate school at the University of Nebraska. Currently, she is located in Chicago, Illinois, and works as a freelance Design Consultant.

KAROLE BLYTHE received her BS in Chemistry and Mathematics from Langston University in 2009. Currently she is completing PhD degree requirements at the University of Texas at Austin in Analytical Chemistry.



RACHEL CARSON – FELICE completed requirements for the BS degree in 2009. Currently, she is completing Master of Science degree requirements in Biosystems Engineering with an emphasis on Environment and Natural Resources at Oklahoma State University and is expected to graduate in May 2012. Rachel received the highest research award at OSU from the Women's Faculty Council for her undergraduate research and experiences in the aerospace industry. She has interned in the aerospace industry in the environment, health and safety area and will be working for the Army Corps of Engineer's Tulsa District following graduation.



JAMES ROCCO DiMAMBRO completed requirements for the BS degree in Physics from East Central University in 2009. Currently, he is employed by the Chickasaw Nation in Ada, Oklahoma.



FELICIA EKPO received her BS degree from Langston University. She is now at the Oklahoma State University School of Osteopathic Medicine.

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SAMUEL HENDERSON completed requirements for the BS degree in Biology from Langston University. He has conducted research on the treatment of night blindness in rhesus monkeys with genetic therapy via an adenovirus at the University of Alabama Birmingham. Currently, he is completing **Doctorate of Medicine** requirements at McHarry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee, with an anticipated graduation date of 2016. He hopes to work in Emergency Medicine.

If I could sum up how OK-LSAMP influenced me the most, I would say that it showed me that, while there weren't a lot of like-minded people that looked like me in my field, there were those type of people out there. It gave me a chance to network with them. I'm so thankful that Dr. Lewis identified me as a candidate for the program. She changed my mode of thinking from striving for adequacy to striving for excellence.

FRED LOVE received his BS degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering in 2009 from Oklahoma State University. Following graduation, he entered the workforce as an engineer with Triton Flight Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Currently, he is pursuing a MS degree in Computer Science.



SHABREE NICHOLS received her BS in Biology from Langston University in 2010. Currently, she is a second year optometry student at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

JENNIFER OGUNYOMI completed degree requirements for a BS in Chemical Engineering from Oklahoma State University in 2010. Following graduation, she was employed as a Chemical Engineer and Recruiter for Siemens Industries, Inc., in Houston, Texas.





CLAYTON PORTER received his BS degree in Life Sciences from Southeastern Oklahoma State University in 2009. Currently he is a fish biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services in Oklahoma. He is also enrolled in a MS program at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. *I was blessed to have such great support from everyone who is involved with OKAMP, I presented twice at the meetings in Stillwater and it was then when I heard other's stories that drove me to be the best in my field of study and encouraged me to get my Master's degree. I have set my goal to get a PhD within the next three years and then allow myself to spread knowledge to others who are passionate for the scientific community.*

JOSEPH ROSS attended East Central University receiving a BS degree in Medical Physics in 2009. Currently, he is employed as a Licensing Investigator with the Chickasaw Nation, Office of the Gaming Commissioner. He is in charge of safety and security of the gaming operation.



Although ECU is a small school, I feel that I received as good of an education as I could have at any of the bigger, more expensive schools. I had excellent instructors and a very inclusive student body. I would recommend ECU and the OK-LSAMP program to any college student.

JAMIE SAMPAYO received a BS degree in Petroleum Engineering from the University of Tulsa. The OK-LSAMP program provided opportunities for her to participate in three summer internships - one in the field side of rig management, and two in the production side. Currently, she is employed with the Williams Company (WPX) in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as a Production Engineer.



KRISTEN THOMPSON received her BS in Physics from East Central University in 2009. She is currently completing requirements for the degree of DVM at Oklahoma State University where she is ranked in the Top 15 percent of her class. Upon graduation, she will work with both large and small animals in her own veterinary clinic.

JENNIFER YOUNG received a BS degree in Physics from East Central University in 2009. Currently, she is a student at the University of Oklahoma where she is completing requirements to be a Physician's Assistant.



KENDRA VANN received her BS degree from Langston University in 2004. She is currently in graduate school at Vanderbilt University.

DERECE VANTERPOOL WILLIAMS, received her BS degree from Cameron University in 2009 in Multi-media Design. Currently she is completing requirements at the University of Oklahoma for a MS degree in Educational Psychology and Technology with a concentration in Interactive Learning Technology. She also works for the Postal Service at the National Center for Employee Development as an eLearning Specialist on the Multimedia Resources Publications team. She is accepted into a PhD program to begin in the Fall of 2013.



MONIQUE LASHAWN GAINES received her BS degree from the University of Oklahoma in 2010 majoring in Industrial Engineering. She will receive her M.S. degree in Industrial Engineering and Management from Oklahoma State University in May 2012. She is currently applying to graduate schools to complete the PhD.



PAIGE SAMUELS will receive her BS degree from the University of Tulsa in Petroleum Engineering and Mathematic in May 2012. She has accepted a position with Chevron as a Petroleum Engineer.



RENE' SAVAGE completed a BS degree in Biology from East Central University in May 2011. Currently she is completing requirements for the Clinical Laboratory Science degree in the Medical Technology Program.

BD Fellows



RAIANNA ARSCOTT is a Cohort V Bridge to the Doctorate Fellow at Oklahoma State University majoring in Chemistry. She received her BS degree in Chemistry from Texas Southern University in 2011 at the age

of 18. Her career goal is to pursue a career in industry focused on Green Chemistry – to excel on both the national and global levels.

OK-LSAMP has been a very rewarding experience. It has placed me on an accelerated track to accomplishing my academic goals. Every aspect of the program promotes academic success. It levels the playing field for me and has given me access that I would not have. Without the support OK-LSAMP provides, the completion of my doctoral studies would become a daunting task.

JAMERE KING has been accepted into the Cohort V Bridge to the Doctorate program at Oklahoma State University. He will be completing degree requirements for a BS in Computer Engineering in May 2012



from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He, then, will work toward completing requirements for the MS/Ph.D. degree in Computer Engineering.

OK-LSAMP is an organization that will not only help get me to my ultimate position in my career, but it has also allowed me to receive all the education I will need along the way. I have only been a part of OK-LSAMP for one year, and I now have a clear vision on where I am and where I intend to be in the future. My career goal is to become a network/hardware engineer. Through research, I want to leave my imprint on computer technology as it is changing ever so rapidly. Ultimately, OK-LSAMP is a stepping stone to help me obtain my future endeavors.



JOSH MCLOUD has been accepted into the Cohort V Bridge to the Doctorate program at Oklahoma State University. Josh will receive his BS degree in Microbiology in May 2012 from Oklahoma State

University. He will pursue a MS/Ph.D. degree in Botany with a research emphasis in cell and molecular biology. His career goals include becoming a professor at a major university.

OK-LSAMP has given me inspiration as well as enlightenment about the diverse opportunities available. It is a great program for those who qualify. I suggest it to students regularly.

MARISSA RICE is a Cohort V Bridge to the Doctorate Fellow at Oklahoma State University completing requirements for the Ph.D. degree in Zoology. She received a BS degree in Biological Sciences from Virginia Tech in 2011.



Current Scholars



MILECIA MATTHEWS is a current scholar at Oklahoma State University majoring in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering. She is involved in the OKState Race Car Team, and is a member of the National Society of Black Engineers. She is also active in the Inclusion Leadership Program which mentors high school students.

ANA CHICAS - MOSIER, a freshman scholar at Oklahoma State University, attended the Oklahoma School of Science and Math. She is a double major in Psychology and Biology. Ana is currently conducting bee research with a faculty mentor.



KRISTEN ENYART, a current scholar at Oklahoma State University, is majoring in Microbiology / Cell and Molecular Biology with an option in Microbial Pathogenesis. She has established a Pre-Pharmacy Club on the OSU campus, volunteered for the Women in Science Conference (for middle school and high school girls) and attended the Women of Color STEM Conference in Dallas, TX. In addition, she serves as a TRiO Student Support Services mentor.

PHOEBE LEWIS, a senior at Langston University, will complete BS degree requirements in Biology. She plans to pursue a Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences at either Baylor University or Johns Hopkins University. Phoebe has been active in on-campus organizations and is a founding member of a Langston University women's organization entitled: College Women Opening Minds Ending Negativity (WOMEN). She served as a volunteer at the Women in Science Conference and attended the Women of Color STEM Conference. Phoebe has presented her research at numerous conferences and symposia including: the Kansas INBRE Symposium 2012, receiving First Place; the Beta Kappa Phi 2011 Annual Conference, receiving Second Place; and Langston Research Day, receiving First Place. Phoebe has interned at Johns Hopkins University



and received the Greater Research Opportunities Grant in the amount of \$50,000 for her research. She has also been accepted to present research at the Emerging Researchers National Conference in STEM in Atlanta, GA, February 2012.



LAMAR WILLIAMS will be completing requirements for the BS degree in Engineering Physics from the University of Central Oklahoma. After graduation, he plans to enter the work force before continuing with graduate school.

OK-LSAMP has allowed me to explore opportunities that I never knew were available, and I am glad to have been a scholar.

KYMBERLI WHAYNE is a Biology senior at Langston University. She has conducted research in West Africa for two summers. She was selected to present her research at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Kansas INBRE, the National Association of African American Studies. Kymberli is currently applying to graduate schools.



OK-LSAMP has given me the opportunity to present my international research experience and has also assisted me in applying to graduate schools to further my education. I am proud to be a Scholar and thankful for everything OK-LSAMP has assisted me with.



SHANEL BYRON, is currently completing requirements at Langston University for a BS degree in Biology. She was recently inducted into Who's Who Among College and University Students.

KEONDRA DOYLE is currently completing BS degree requirements at Langston University in Biology. She was one of five selected to present a research poster at the Kansas INBRE conference in January 2012.





CARI QUICK a Biology major at Langston University was selected to present her research as one of five at the January 2012 Kansas INBRE conference.



KODY JONES began as an LSAMP Scholar at Northwestern Oklahoma State University completing two years before transferring to OSU to complete a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering. Kody has maintained a 4.0 GPA during his entire college career.



TIFFANY GLOVER, is completing BS degree requirements at Langston University in Chemistry. She has also been accepted to present research as the Emerging Researchers National Conference in STEM in Atlanta, GA, February 2012.



RAJAH SINGH, is completing degree requirements for a BS in Chemistry from Langston University, he is one of ten to be accepted to present research as the Emerging Researchers National Conference in STEM in Atlanta, GA, February 2012.
