

# Space Grant Student Opportunity Pilot

- **Background:** The Institute on Teaching and Mentoring (<http://www.instituteonteachingandmentoring.org/>), has become the largest gathering of minority Ph.D. scholars in the nation. The Institute is hosted by the SREB-State Doctoral Scholars Program. This powerful annual conference unites minority and underrepresented scholars, mentors, and faculty members from over 40 states and more than 230 institutions for four days of connecting, teaching, mentoring, knowledge and skill development, and opportunities. The Institute hosts students from other organizations such as Gates Millennium Program, the Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program, and the National Science Foundation's Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP). Dozens of intensive sessions motivate and prepare participants to earn doctoral degrees and become faculty members, researchers, and the academic leaders of tomorrow.

This year Space Grant is partnering with MUREP to sponsor (i.e., transportation, lodging and some meals) up to 10 graduate students competitively selected from the Space Grant Consortia. See details below.

- **Event:** Southern Regional Educational Board (SREB) Institute of Teaching and Mentoring Conference
- **Dates:** October 25-28, 2018
- **Location:** Arlington, VA at the Marriott Crystal Gateway
- **Eligibility:** Historically underrepresented and underserved graduate students in STEM and students from U.S. Dept. of Education identified MSIs; each Consortium can nominate up to 3 students
- **Nomination Criteria:** 1 single searchable PDF
  - CV of graduate student (max 3 pages) –
    - Should highlight NASA aligned research
    - Include contact information (Name, Email and Phone)
    - Identify the Consortium
  - Statement of interest (1 page) – A first person narrative written by the student applicant that addresses:
    - The student should identify the reasons why the student wants to attend this conference
    - The student should What the student hopes to gain from his/her attendance
    - The student should identify the techniques/best practices around mentoring that can be taken back to the
    - Explain how the Consortium benefits from his/her attendance
  - Send submission to [hq-space-grant@mail.nasa.gov](mailto:hq-space-grant@mail.nasa.gov) with a CC: to Erica Alston ([erica.j.alston@nasa.gov](mailto:erica.j.alston@nasa.gov)); subject line: Space Grant: SREB Nomination – State abbreviation
- **Due Date:** Monday, August 27, 2018 by 5pm EDT; confirmation of receipt will be sent
- **Selections:** Early September 2018