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Your abstract **must have the approval of your research mentor or advisor.**

Format of Abstract

TITLE OF PROJECT IN BOLD AND ALL CAPS

Author(s): Name of Authors with **OK-LSAMP Scholar's name in bold and underlined**

University of Scholar: Name of the University of the Scholar presenting

Location of Research: Location, City, State, Country

Funding: Name of funding source(s) including scholar sponsor(s) such as OK-LSAMP, McNair, etc. as well as project sponsor(s) such as EPSCoR, NSF, NIH, HHMI, etc.

Mentor(s): Name of Mentor(s) and their university, organization, or company

Sample Abstract

OK-LSAMP SCHOLARS TRAVEL TO THE 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH (NCUR)

Author(s): **Darlene Croci** and Brenda L. Morales

University of Scholar: Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK, USA

Location of Research: University of Memphis, Memphis, TN, USA

Funding: the National Science Foundation (NSF) and Oklahoma EPSCoR

Mentor(s): Dr. Jason Kirksey, Oklahoma State University

The Oklahoma Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (OK-LSAMP) program is a consortium of Oklahoma colleges and universities working together to develop programs aimed at increasing the number of scholars from underrepresented populations who receive degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. OK-LSAMP supports students with undergraduate research opportunities, international experiences, and graduate school preparation. OK-LSAMP also provides opportunities for scholars to travel to conferences in order to present their research. Requirements of OK-LSAMP include: being a full-time student majoring in a STEM field, being a US citizen or permanent resident, maintaining a 3.0 GPA, and being interested in research and/or graduate school. Nine OK-LSAMP Scholars were among 3700 students selected to present their research to students, faculty, and staff from across the nation. They traveled with two Oklahoma staff and other Oklahoma students to Memphis, Tennessee, for the National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR). In addition to the conference, they participated in excursion events such as local music and civil rights movement tours.