

# Road M@P to Success

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Meet a Member of the M@P Team:

*Trinity Johnson*



Trinity Johnson is a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Sciences with an emphasis in Plant & Soil Sciences from Southern University and A&M College in three years. As a graduate student at Purdue University, Trinity worked as the evaluation coordinator and creative manager for the Mentoring@Purdue program. She also worked as a graduate research assistant on an NSF-funded project, which focused on enhancing elementary and middle school students' interest in STEM and agricultural life science disciplines. She served her local community by helping to plant community gardens, mentored elementary and middle school children through local after-school programs, and conducted a needs assessment with a local food bank to ensure the services were adequately reaching the targeted population. Trinity's future career plans include working in higher education to further enhance and expand STEM and agricultural opportunities for all.

*\*If you, or someone you know who also participated in the M@P-SSP, has done something you would like to share, please let us know! We would be happy to feature you in an upcoming issue. Simply email Liz at [alexan42@purdue.edu](mailto:alexan42@purdue.edu) for more information!\**

## Upcoming Events

**Welcome Back Social**  
August 29, 2018  
Noon - 1pm  
Pfundler Hall 241

**Recognizing & Addressing  
Implicit Bias**  
September 26, 2018  
Noon - 1pm  
Pfundler Hall 241

**Mentoring & Mental  
Health**  
October 24, 2018  
Noon - 1pm  
Pfundler Hall 241

**Mentoring in the  
Classroom**  
November 14, 2018  
Noon - 1pm  
Pfundler Hall 241

**Join us via Webex:**  
[https://purdue.webex.com/  
meet/alexan42](https://purdue.webex.com/meet/alexan42)



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[Facebook.com/MentoringatPurdue](https://www.facebook.com/MentoringatPurdue)



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## *We Can Help!*

Because you were a previous participant of the M@P-SSP, we can offer you a **FREE GRADUATE SCHOOL APPLICATION CONSULTATION!**

*"Show me a successful individual and I'll show you someone who had real positive influences in his or her life. I don't care what you do for a living— if you do it well I'm sure there was someone cheering you on or showing the way. A mentor.*

— Denzel Washington

Please send your graduate school application materials to [alexan42@purdue.edu](mailto:alexan42@purdue.edu) for feedback. We want to help you succeed!

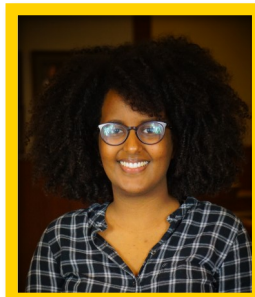
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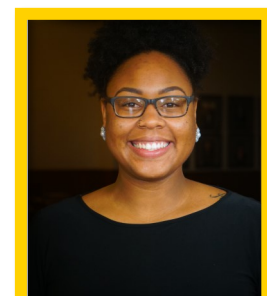
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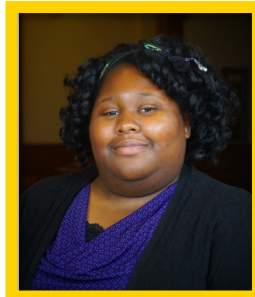
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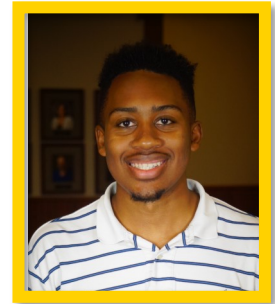
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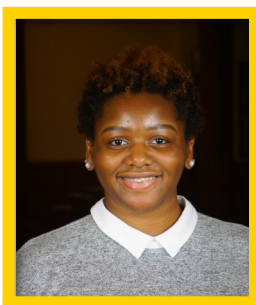
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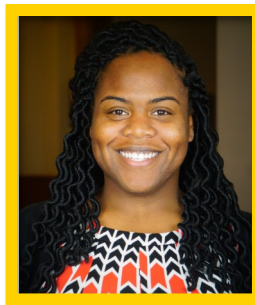
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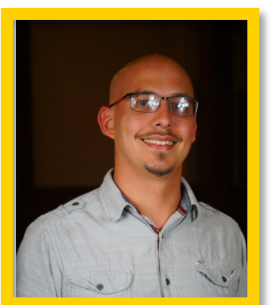
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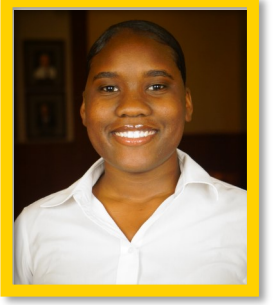
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## SSP Update!

On June 17 - June 22, 2018, Mentoring@Purdue (M@P) hosted its 5th annual Mentoring@Purdue Summer Scholars Program participants from seven 1890 Historically Black Land-Grant Universities. The students were selected through an application process that demonstrated evidence of their academic and research accomplishments as well as future scholastic pursuits. The students were provided with a scholarship that covered the cost of travel, hotel accommodations, and meals. The M@P-SSP consisted of activities including workshops on completing the graduate school application, obtaining internal and external funding, a résumé/CV workshop, and a workshop on the transition from a Minority Serving Institution to a Predominantly White Institution. The scholars visited research facilities, various graduate programs, Mackey Arena, France A. Córdova Recreational Sports Center, and the Black Cultural Center. Scholars also interacted with members of various affinity organizations and participated in extracurricular activities.

*"It met great expectations due to making connections, networking, engaging with other students and having an opportunity to know there are resources available for me to utilize and have a support system in higher education."*

- 2018 M@P SSP Participant

## Mentoring Tip!

Mentoring has the power to transform your life. Don't just take it from us—listen to Dr. Stacy Blake Beard, a Professor at Simmons College whose research focuses on the challenges and opportunities from mentoring relationships. In this Tedx Talk, Dr. Blake Beard opens up about her personal role models, and peer mentors, and how it's not all sunshine and roses!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fUIJmtfdVMM>

