

Coming to the CSGS Annual Meeting in 2020 - a full day of programming specifically for graduate students! On Friday, March 6 beginning at 10:00 a.m., industry and academic experts will lead interactive sessions around three key themes:

- 1) **Professionals in Preparation:** Addressing the importance of professional skill development for graduate students, this session will introduce interviewing skills for positions inside or outside the academy, business etiquette, networking, and LinkedIn.
- 2) **Mentor/Mentee Relationships:** Using interactive theater and humor, the renowned group “Theater Delta” will examine student and faculty roles and responsibilities in effective mentorship and conflict resolution.
- 3) **Building Resilience:** Focusing on student well-being, this session will spotlight the Eagle’s Nest Food Pantry, a campus/community partnership combatting food insecurity on a university campus; and mental health and mindfulness.

The day will conclude with the opportunity for graduate students to network with CSGS attendees at a poster session and reception at the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute.

Student Sessions Schedule (revised 12/18/19):

Time	Session	Presenter
10:00 – Noon	Theme: Professionals in Preparation	
10:00 – 11:00 am	Interviewing and Business Etiquette Panel Discussion	Panelists: business and academic leaders Moderator: Dr. Karen S. Coats, Dean of the Graduate School, The University of Southern Mississippi
11:00 – 11:15 am	Break	
11:15 – noon	Linked In/Networking Presentation	UAB faculty member
12:15 – 1:30 pm	Networking Lunch with all conference attendees	
1:30 – 3:15 pm	Theme: Mentor/Mentee Relationships	
1:30 – 3:00 pm	Theater Delta	
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Conflict Resolution Activity	Dr. Constina Charbonnette, Asst. Dean of Graduate Programs, John Chambers College of Business and Economics, West Virginia University
3:15 – 3:30 pm	Break	
3:30 – 5:00 pm	Theme: Building Resiliency	
3:30 – 4:15 pm	Eagle’s Nest Food Pantry at Southern Miss: Combatting Hunger on a University Campus	Dr. Tamara Hurst, Associate Professor, School of Social Work, The University of Southern Mississippi and Graduate Assistant Rickelia Hammett
4:15 – 5:00 pm	Mental Health/ Mindfulness Presentation	UAB Counseling Center
5:00 - 5:30 pm	Break/travel to reception	
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Poster session and networking reception at Birmingham Civil Rights Institute	

All sessions will be held in Cudworth Hall on the UAB campus.