

# 2018 MANRRS Region IV Regional Cluster

## LEADing our **REGION** to the **4FRONT**



Oklahoma City, OK  
October 12-14, 2018

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*National Society for Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences*

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## Region IV Regional Cluster

### **General Information:**

Event: Cluster workshop  
Date: October 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Location: Embassy Suites Oklahoma City Downtown Medical Center  
741 North Phillips Avenue,  
Oklahoma City, OK, 73104  
Theme: “LEADing our **Region** to the **4Front**”  
Registration Fee: \$35.00 for Students, \$50 for Advisors, Exhibitor \$300 (additional Exhibitor \$75)  
\*No cost for National sponsors who are Gold level (\$25k) or above

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### **Workshop Overview**

MANRRS provides an excellent opportunity for individuals of all backgrounds to network with students and professionals across the nation. This allows for numerous opportunities ranging from personal experiences to internships as well as employment opportunities. The annual Region IV Regional Cluster meeting will be held in Oklahoma City, OK. This event has become a big tradition to assist students and advisors in preparing for the annual national conference. This workshop attracts students and professionals from five (5) states, including Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, and Louisiana. This workshop provides students from Universities in Region IV the rare chance to interact and network with students from other institutions on a social yet professional basis.

### **2018 Region IV Regional Cluster Goals & Objectives**

- To provide workshop participants with a valuable, educational, and inclusive regional meeting
- To increase chapter interaction while strengthening bonds between Region IV and the national organization
- To learn about and embrace the diversity inside of Region IV
- To exchange ideas on membership development
- To educate attendants on professional development

### **Workshop Staff, Administration, and Participants**

- Region IV Vice Presidents for the National MANRRS Society (Graduate and Undergraduate)
- National President-Elect
- National COO and Associate Program Coordinator
- Professional/ Industry Presenters/ Sponsors
- MANRRS Region IV Student Members
- Professional Region IV MANRRS Members
- National MANRRS Officers

**To register, please visit: <http://www.etches.com/region4okc18>**

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**Tentative Agenda**

**Friday, October 12**

- 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Registration Open
- 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Dinner (on your own)
- 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM - Welcome and Chapter Introduction
- 7:45 PM – 8:30 PM – Lincoln-Douglas Debates
- 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM - Ice Cream Social & Game Night

**Saturday, October 13**

- 8:00 AM - Breakfast Business Meeting
- 8:35 AM - Elevator Speech Contest
- 9:20 AM - Session 1: Professional Development — Back to the Basics – Hormel Foods
- 10:30 AM - Session 2: The Importance of Mentorship\*
- 12:00 PM Career Empowerment Lunch – Cargill
  - Panel Discussion Lead by Robert Stewart
- 1:00 PM - 2:40 PM Opportunity Fair
- 2:45 PM - 4:15 PM - Mock Interviews with Industry Professionals & Resume Critiques
- **2:45 PM – 4:15 PM Workshop Sessions**
  - 2:45 PM - 3:30 PM
    - How to Prepare and Get into Grad School Workshop\*
    - Life Outside of Academic Research — Land O'Lakes
    - Advisor Workshop – Ebony Webber
  - 3:40 PM - 4:25 PM
    - Getting LinkedIn and Social Media Branding – Karl Binns
    - Chapter Leadership Meeting – Region IV Student Vice Presidents
    - Advisor Meeting – Ebony Webber
- 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM - Impromptu contestant report
- 4:30 PM – 5:45 PM - Impromptu Speaking Contest
- 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM - Alumni Meeting (Seniors, Graduate Students, and Alumni)
- 7:00 PM - Closing Banquet Dinner & New Member Pinning Ceremony
  - Keynote Address from International Paper Company
- 8:30 PM - Alumni Mixer (GR & Alumni Meeting)

**Sunday, October 14**

- 7:00 AM – 8:15 AM - Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 AM -- 9:30 AM - MANRRS Serves

*\*This itinerary is tentative and subject to change*

# Hotel Accommodations

Hotel accommodations for our regional workshop have been arranged at the following location, and it is recommended that participants make reservations at:

Embassy Suites Oklahoma City Downtown Medical Center  
741 North Phillips Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73104  
Phone: (405) 239-3900

MANRRS room rate: \$129.00 per night per room + tax

\*Please request the MANRRS block and reserve the rooms by **September 12, 2018**



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