

Mrs. LaKeshia Darden, a member of Cohort 21 Doctoral Program in the Educational Leadership – Higher Education on the campus of Fayetteville State University, was one of the award recipients in the 2019 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Undergraduate and Graduate Research Symposium held on Fayetteville State University April 5, 2019. She received an award for **Best Oral Presentation**. The title of her presentation is *“Avoiding the Single Story: University Professionals Explore Narratives of the Black Experience through Coretta Scott King Book Award Titles.”*

The annual symposium celebrates the diversity of student research and creative activities. Whether you are a freshman, senior or a graduate student looking for a venue to share the results of your scholarship and research, you'll find events of interest to you at the Symposium. Open to all students, the symposium provides the opportunity for students to present their work in a professional setting. It also provides students with practical experience in public speaking and presentation skills. Additionally, it serves as a forum for our community to engage in student research.



In recognition of the 2019 Undergraduate and Graduate Research Symposium Award Recipients for  
**Best Oral and Best Poster Presentations**

### Award Recipients

**SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**Alfie Fredenck (FSU) | Senior, Major: Geography**  
*“Understanding the Impact of Urban Expansions on Accessibility through Network Analysis of Historical Road Data since 1825 in the City of Fayetteville”*  
**Kirsryn McLeod (NC A&T State) | Major: Psychology**  
*“The Impact of Racial Trauma on Academic Success”*

**EDUCATION**  
**LaKeshia Darden (FSU) | Doctoral Student, Educational Leadership – Higher Education**  
*“Avoiding the Single Story: University Professionals Explore Narratives of the Black Experience through Coretta Scott King Book Award Titles”*  
**Breanna Hill (FSU) | Senior, Elementary Education**  
*“Using Curriculum Nights to Enhance Parental Involvement”*  
**Alyssa Puetz (FSU) | Major: Elementary Education**  
*“Celebrating Multiculturalism in the Elementary Classroom”*

**STEM**  
**Chastity Ward (FSU) | Senior, Major: Biology**  
*“Behavioral and Environmental Determinants of Parasite Transmission in a Butterfly Host”*  
**Eulim Kang (FSU) | Senior, Major: Biology**  
*“Efficacy of Hemp Seed Formulations for the Control of Darkling beetles (Alphitobius diaperinus) with No Observed Toxicity in Hens following Surface Treatment of Bedding”*

**BUSINESS**  
**Adrian Davis (FSU) | Senior, Major: Business Administration & Emelin Martinez | Senior, Major: Healthcare Administration**  
*“The Financial Performance of Adaptive Strategy Adoption during Economic Recession”*

**PERFORMING ARTS**  
**Ryan Smith (FSU) | Senior, Major: Music Education**  
*“The Blue and Gold Collaboration Concert”*



*\*LaKeishia is second from the left.*