

November 14, 2026
HAPS Southern Regional Schedule

7-3pm	Welcome Desk and Registration
8-4pm	Conversation Walls
7-8:30pm	Breakfast (Taylor grocery)
8:00-12:00pm	Vendors available
8:30-8:45pm	Welcome and Introductions (room 134)
8:45-9:45pm	Invited Speaker Dr. Katherine Pannel; room 134
9:45-10:00pm	Mid-morning break
10:00-10:50pm	Workshops
11:00-11:50pm	Workshops
12:00-1:30pm	Lunch (Taylor grocery)
12:30-1:30pm	Poster presenters at their posters
1:00-4:30pm	Vendors Available
1:30-2:20pm	Invited Speaker Dr. Eden Tanner; room 134
2:30-3:20pm	Workshops
3:20-3:40pm	Mid-afternoon break
3:40-4:30pm	Workshops
4:30pm	Group photo with Harry, our 20' tall inflatable skeleton



All conference activities will take place in the [Jim and Thomas Duff Center for Science and Technology Innovation](#), a state-of-the-art interdisciplinary teaching facility that opened in 2024. Designed with collaboration and accessibility in mind, the facility features:

- Technology-Enabled Active Learning (TEAL) classrooms

- Active learning auditoriums
- Flexible atrium spaces for posters, exhibits, and networking
- Modern laboratory and instructional spaces
- Free parking directly across the street
- ADA-accessible facilities, including multiple restroom options and a lactation room

Conference attendees will also have opportunities to tour the building, explore innovative teaching spaces, and discover creative classroom ideas, including a few of our favorite low-cost teaching hacks. Select the button below to learn more about the Duff Center!

Invited Speakers



Dr. Katherine Pannel, DO

Named the 2025 Mississippian of the Year by the Jackson Chapter of the Association of Information Technology Professionals, Dr. Pannel currently serves as President of the Mississippi Medical Association and President-Elect of the Mississippi Psychiatric Association. A leading advocate for expanding telemedicine access, she has played an important role in advancing legislation to improve psychiatric care for rural and underserved communities.

[Learn More About Dr. Pannel](#)

Dr. Eden Tanner, PhD

Recognized as a 2025 American Chemical Society Trailblazer, Dr. Tanner is nationally known for her work advancing accessibility in STEM education and research. She has intentionally designed accessible features throughout her laboratory at the University of Mississippi, ensuring that researchers of all abilities can fully participate in scientific discovery. As she explains, *"Being flexible and accessible means that no matter what happens to anyone at any given moment, you can still make sure that they're able to do what they want or need to do."*



[Learn More About Dr. Tanner](#)





More Than a Conference

While you're here, don't miss:

- Interactive teaching activities throughout the day
- Tours of the building, IT infrastructure, and A&P labs
- Collaborative teaching walls where attendees can share ideas and strategies
- Oxford's historic Town Square, beautifully decorated for the holiday season
- And... a photo with Harry, our 20-foot inflatable skeleton!