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Four universities and nine community colleges unite to accelerate statewide development of leaders in science, technology, engineering, and math

Event

Thursday, February 3, 2011, 11a.m.–1p.m. at Dart Auditorium, [500 N. Capitol Ave.](#), Lansing Community College, Lansing MI

Four of Michigan's flagship universities and nine top community colleges, including Lansing Community College, kick off their newly expanded collaboration in [MI-LSAMP](#) (Michigan-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation).

Economists, business and government leaders agree: Michigan must have a diversified economy to succeed in the future. And that economy will require a diverse professional work corps. The newly expanded MI-LSAMP is positioned to accelerate the development of that workforce in Michigan.

Event Highlights

*Remarks by MI-LSAMP Board of Governors, includes President Mary Sue Coleman (U-M), President John Dunn (WMU), President Lou Anna Simon (MSU) and others.

*Hors d'oeuvres reception and exhibit of student project teams from Alliance partner schools, including these national and international award winners:

- . MSU's [Formula Racing Team](#) and their car
- . U-M [Robotics Team](#) and their robots
- . U-M [Solar Car Team](#) and eight-foot replica of the 2010 championship car
- . Research exhibits by current students

*More information available: <http://www.engin.umich.edu/students/mi-lsamp/milsampInvitation.pdf>

Public and media welcome, [RSVP](#) requested:

<http://www.formstack.com/forms/?1026252-XaSesD1o9p>

MI-LSAMP

The University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, and Wayne State University established the Michigan-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (MI-LSAMP) in 2005, with support from the National Science Foundation. They committed to significantly increase the number of under-represented minority students graduating with degrees in science, technology, engineering, and math.

During MI-LSAMP's Phase I (2005–2010), award of these baccalaureates increased by nearly 50 percent.

In Phase II, nine of Michigan's top community colleges are joining the Alliance to achieve a 100 percent increase, as we build tomorrow's expert workforce.

The MI-LSAMP community college partners are:

Grand Rapids Community College, represented at the event by President Steven C. Ender

Kalamazoo Valley Community College

Kellogg Community College, represented at the event by President Dennis Bona

Lake Michigan College

Lansing Community College, represented at the event by President Brent Knight

Macomb Community College

Muskegon Community College, represented at the event by President Dale Nesbary

Washtenaw Community College, represented at the event by President Larry Whitworth

Wayne County Community College District

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About Lansing Community College

Lansing Community College is Michigan's third largest community college with more than 30,000 students attending each year. The College has more than 280 degree and certificate programs. LCC offers courses in general education for those interested in transferring to a four-year institution, career and workforce development, developmental education and personal enrichment. To meet the professional development and training needs of regional employees, the college offers customized programs for credit, non-credit and continuing education. The University Center at LCC offers students the opportunity to earn bachelor's and master's degrees from six partner universities on the downtown LCC campus. For more information, visit lcc.edu.