

## **L@S GANAS: LATIN@S GAINING ACCESS TO NETWORKS FOR ADVANCEMENT IN SCIENCE**

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National and regional data on undergraduate students demonstrates that both recruitment to STEM fields and retention of students in STEM fields towards graduation is substantially lower for underrepresented minority and low-income students compared to white students. The L@S GANAS program incorporates five components that have been demonstrated to be effective: undergraduate research, holistic supports for students, supportive communities of faculty and peers, active and collaborative learning opportunities in STEM courses, and financial support. This program and other student success initiatives will be presented.

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