Here are some upcoming events and activities in the College of Science.

**Three Minute Thesis Competition**

Graduate students: Can you describe your work in three minutes or less? Clemson's Graduate Three Minute Thesis Competition is an opportunity to share your research with the world. This year's competition is split into graduate students and Ph.D. candidates, so you don't have to be about to graduate to compete. There are three prizes in each category.

PowerPoint presentation slides with no additional animation, videos, sounds or costumes. The contest is designed to challenge participants to distill their projects to a general audience in just three minutes. Each contestant must condense his or her research down to three minutes and provide a crisp yet creative explanation of their work. The competition will build skills you'll use for the rest of your career.

We would love to see SCIENCE students take the Clemson prize and go on to the regional and national competition. Participation will build skills you'll use for the rest of your career.

**Graduate to compete.** There are three prizes in each category.

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**Diversity in Science Seminar Series debuts**

Dr. Abel Bartley shared why students of color should learn about their culture as it relates to their chosen professions in the first Diversity in Science Seminar Series talk on Sept. 25 in Jordan Hall. During his dynamic presentation, Dr. Bartley also provided examples of scientists who have paved the way for others to follow.

Dr. Bartley’s talk focused on the idea that diversity is important. Too often, black students will not see themselves in the work of scientists, researchers, and other STEM professionals. In his presentation, Dr. Bartley shared his personal experiences with a lack of diversity in graduate studies and provided examples of scientists who have had success before them.

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While Dr. Bartley laid the foundation for why diversity is important, Urban Ecology — What this Means for Communities of Color — was the title of the second Diversity in Seminar Series talk on Oct. 23. The event was free and open to all Clemson students!

In Jordan Hall, guests were exposed to real/tangible role models in STEM fields who look like them. Guests will share personal examples of their journeys to attaining their education and career goals and provide guidance for students. These role models will show students what they can expect during their schooling for their future careers.

Drs. Robert Anholt and Trudy Mackay of Clemson University’s Center for Human Genetics have received $1.87 million from the National Institutes of Health to advance research aimed at significantly increasing our fundamental understanding of the complex roles molecular variations play in human disease.

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Dr. Trudy Mackay and the Center for Human Genetics.

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