Together We Rise!

Connecting Our Cohorts

Miramontes Arts & Sciences Program
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Miramontes Arts & Sciences Program (MASP)

Academic Community for high-achieving, traditionally underrepresented students in the College of Arts & Sciences
Encouraging High Impact Practices

Defined by Association of American Colleges & Universities

- Research Experience
- Study Abroad
- Internships
- Capstone Courses
- Learning Communities
- Service, Community Learning
Connecting Cohorts around Research

GOALS

• Help students see “possible selves” and get inspired.
• Create an infrastructure to reflect how our program values research and other high impact practices.

PROJECTS

1. MASP research symposium
2. Student Spotlight videos
MASP Research Symposium

Held as our All Community Welcome Back Event - September 11, 2018

- Summer research projects
- Reaches students early in the semester

Nine students presented their research as a Three Minute Thesis (3MT®)

- Models graduate student competitions
- Serves as professional development
MASP Research Symposium Feedback

From comment cards and verbal feedback:

- Excited and inspired to do their own research.
- Less anxious to start the process of getting into research.
- Reassured that they didn’t need to know much before starting research.
- Happy to hear that other students’ projects didn’t always work either!
MASP Research Symposium Next Steps

Spotlight students in HIPs during All Community Welcome Backs

**3MT®**
Three Minute Thesis
2-3 students

**3MTR**
Three Minute Travels
2-3 students

**3MI**
Three Minute Internship
2-3 students
MASP Research Symposium Next Steps

Wrap symposia with a discussion of what students bring to research.

- Had this discussion with students in MASP research class

**What We Bring to Research**

- Experience working in teams
- Quick learner
- Tenacity
- Bilingual
- Artistic skills
- Interdisciplinary interests
- Cultural competence
- Programming skills
- Take initiative
- Writing skills
- Adaptability
- Stubborn
- Ability to ask questions
Student Spotlight Videos

Video created by Maryfher Villarreal

If you wait until you think you're ready to do research, then you're never going to do research.

https://youtu.be/8hPkyulQkus