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High Performance Research Computing



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Our Mission:

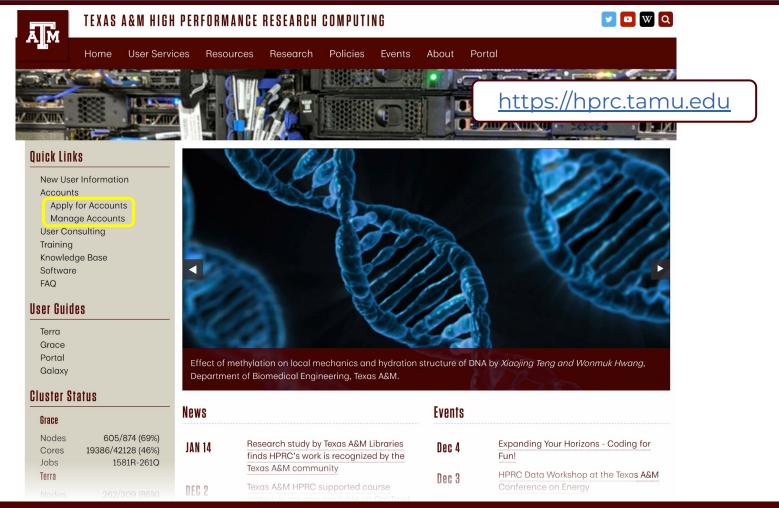
- Provide **computing** resources
- Provide consulting, technical guidance, and training to support researchers
- Collaborate on computational and data-enabled research



HPRC Services

- Free of charge to all faculty, postdocs, research staff, students and external collaborators
- Computing cycles for research campus, regional and national.
 Application is required for access
- User Services
 - Helpdesk: New user start-up assistance and general support
 - Training: Short Courses, Workshops, & <u>YouTube</u> videos
 - Advanced Support: Software and research consulting
 - Expertise in many science and engineering research domains
- Research collaborations around cyberinfrastructure technologies







High Performance Research Computing Clusters







Grace	

Terra

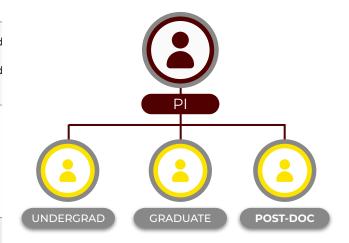
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Total Nodes (Cores)	925 (44,656)	307 (8,512)	24 (1,120)
General Nodes	48 cores 384GB	28 cores 64GB	40 cores 192 GB
Features	GPUs (A100, RTX 6000, T4) Large Memory Nodes	GPUs (K80, V100) KNL	Compliant Computing GPUs (V100) Large Memory Nodes
Interconnect	HDR100 InfiniBand	Omni-Path	40Gb Ethernet
Global Disk (raw)	8.9 PB	7.4 PB	2 PB
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HPRC Account Allocations

Allocation Type	Who can apply?	Minimum SUs per Allocation per Machine	Maximum SUs per Allocation per Machine	Maximum Total SUs per Machine	Maximum Number of Allocations per Machine	Allowed to spend more than allocation?	Reviewed and approved by
Basic	Faculty, Post-Docs*, Research Associates, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff, Students*, Visiting Scholars/Students*	5,000	5,000	5,000	1	No	HPRC Staff
Startup	Faculty, Research Associates, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	5,000	200,000	400,000	2	No	HPRC Director
Research (Terra)	Faculty, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	300,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	Determined by HPRC- RAC	No	HPRC- RAC
Research (Grace)	Faculty, Research Scientists, Qualified Staff	300,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	Determined by HPRC- RAC	No	HPRC- RAC

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Students & Postdoctoral researchers can apply for a Basic allocation.

PIs can apply for a Startup or Research allocation and sub-allocate SUs to their researchers.

HPRC Account: PI Eligibility

Only **active faculty** members and **permanent research staff** (subject to HPRC-RAC Chair review and approval) of Texas A&M System Members headquartered in Brazos County can serve as a Pl.

Adjunct and Visiting professors can use HPRC resources as part of a sponsoring PI's group

Note that:

- A PI can have more than one allocation
- A researcher (student) can work on more than one project and with more than one PI

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Special Requests

https://hprc.tamu.edu/policies/allocations.html

- Dedicated Use
 - Requests for dedicated cluster use require the approval of the Director.
- Special case allocations
 - o 20% of common SUs are reserved for special case assignments
 - Example special case assignments
 - working with HPRC staff on new capabilities of general value to research communities
 - new faculty startup
 - operations that go beyond normal research projects
 - o Granted by the Director or the VPR.
- Committed Allocations
 - PIs can purchase dedicated HPRC infrastructure via the "condo" mechanism



HPRC Training Short Courses https://hprc.tamu.edu/training

Primers:

Linux HPRC Clusters Data Management SLURM Jupyter Notebook

Technology Lab:

Using AI Frameworks in Jupyter Notebook

Short Courses:

Python Scientific Python PyTorch TensorFlow MATLAB Scientific ML Julia CUDA Drug Docking Quantum Chemistry and more...

Short Courses:

OpenMP

MPI

NGS Analysis
NGS Metagenomics
NGS RADSeq/GBS
NGS Assembly
HPRC Galaxy
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Perl
Fortran





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HPRC OpenOnDemand Portal

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Project Account Management (AMS)

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Advanced Support Program

HPRC scientists can contribute expertise on computational research projects.

- Software development for research workflows
- Developing GUIs and apps for research projects
- Porting applications to HPRC clusters
- Code development, optimizing and analysis
- Leveraging mathematical libraries
- Workflow automation in scientific processes

Please send us an e-mail at help@hprc.tamu.edu.

Bring Your Own Genome

- Work one-on-one with Dr. Wesley Brashear!
- Wednesdays 3 PM to 4:30 PM
- In-person or via zoom
- It's for FREE!
- Register at

https://u.tamu.edu/byog

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Welcome to the TAMU HPRC Wiki

Grace Guide

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Terra Guide

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Announcements

· Grace Cluster Status: Cluster deployed, with service unit accounting.

Getting an Account

- Understanding HPRC: For a brief overview of what services HPRC offers, see this video & in our getting started series on YouTube.
- New to HPRC's resources? This page @ explains the HPRC resources available to the TAMU community. Also see the Policies Page @ to better understand the rules and etiquette of cluster usage.
- Accessing the clusters: All computer systems managed by the HPRC are available for use to TAMU faculty, staff, and students who require large-scale computing capabilities. The HPRC hosts the Terra, and Grace clusters at TAMU. To apply for or renew an HPRC account, please visit the Account Applications & page. For information on how to obtain an allocation to run jobs on one of our clusters, please visit the Allocations Policy & page. All accounts expire and must be renewed in September of each year.

Using the Clusters

- QuickStart Guides: For just the "need-to-know" information on getting started with our clusters, visit our QuickStart pages. Topics discussed include cluster access, file management, the batch system, setting up a software environment using modules, creating your own job files, and project account management. Grace Quickstart Guide &. Terra Quickstart Guide &.
- Batch Jobs: As a shared resource between many users, each cluster must employ a batch system to schedule a time for each user's job to run. Without such a system, one user could use a disproportionate amount of resources, and cause other users' work to stall. Grace's and Terra's batch system is called SLURM. Information relevant to each system can be found below.

Grace / SLURM Batch Pages

Complete Grace Batch Page Job Submission (sbatch) Grace Queue Structure Terra / SLURM Batch Pages Complete Terra Batch Page

Job Submission (sbatch)
Terra Queue Structure

Creating your own batch jobs: the tamubatch Page provides information on how to use tamubatch to create and submit jobs easily.

• Troubleshooting: While we cannot predict all bugs and errors, some issues on our clusters are common enough to catalog. See the Common Problems and Quick Solutions Page for a small collection of the most prevalent issues. For further assistance, users can contact help@hprc.tamu.edu to open a support ticket.

HPRC's YouTube Channel



HPRC NGS Documentation

https://hprc.tamu.edu/wiki/Bioinformatics

Bioinformatics Tool Categories

- Sequence QC
- Data Normalization, Clustering & Collapsing
- PacBio Tools
- Oxford Nanopore Tools
- Genome Assembly
- Metagenomics
- RNA-sea
- ChIP-seq
- Sequence Variants (SNPs and indels)
- CNV
- Methylation
- Sequence Alignments
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- Common Tools
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RNA-seq

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Trinity

GCATemplates available: grace ₽

module spider Trinity

Trinity homepage @

Trinity tutorial videos ₽

Trinity memory

requirements summary

Trinity performs *de novo* or reference guided genome assemblies of transcript sequences from Illumina RNA-Seq data.

R Bioconductor libraries, such as qvalue, required by some Trinity analysis scripts are found in this R_tamu module

module load R_tamu/3.6.0-foss-2018b-recommended-mt

Trinity will create 100,000+ temporary files during an analysis run. A quota of 250,000 files (with about 225,000 available) should be enough for one Trinity run at a time. If you want to run multiple Trinity jobs at once, you can use run the analysis in \$TMPDIR and copy the results files to your \$SCRATCH working directory.

Trinity does have checkpoints. If your job times out and you run the same job script again, it should pick up where it left off unless you are using \$TMPDIR.

If you are using Galaxy then checkpoints will not work.

NOTE: Trinity 2.4.0+ utilizes seqtk for read normalization which requires read



3,300+ <u>Software</u> Modules!

SOFTWARE MODULES ON THE GRACE CLUSTER

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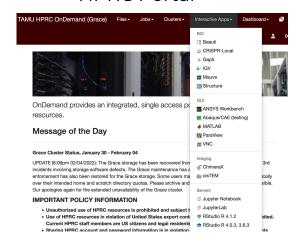
The available software for the Grace cluster is listed in the table. Click on any software package name to get more information such as the available versions, additional documentation if available, etc.

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Name 🔺	Description	
AAF	'AAF constructs phylogenies directly from unassembled genome sequence data, bypassing both genome assembly and alignment.'	
AGFusion	'AGFusion is a python package for annotating gene fusions from the human or mouse genomes.'	
AMOS	'The AMOS consortium is committed to the development of open-source whole genome assembly software'	
antiSMASH allows the rapid genome-wide identification, annotation and analysis of secondary metabolite biosyr clusters in bacterial and fungal genomes.'		
Bowtie Bowtie is an ultrafast, memory-efficient short read aligner. It aligns short DNA sequences (reads) to the human		
Bowtie 2 is an ultrafast and memory-efficient tool for aligning sequencing reads to long reference sequences good at aligning reads of about 50 up to 100s or 1,000s of characters, and particularly good at aligning mammalian) genomes. Bowtie 2 indexes the genome with an FM Index to keep its memory footprint sm genome, its memory footprint is typically around 3.2 GB. Bowtie 2 supports gapped, local, and paired-e		



Running Bioinformatics Toolkits

HPRC Portal



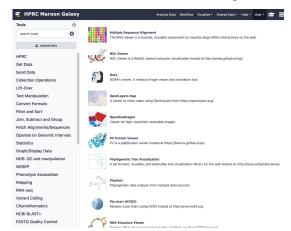
- Web-based
- Software tools usable as a GUI or linux command line
- Best for GUI apps:
 - o RStudio
 - > IGV

Linux command line



- Linux and slurm
- Bioinformatics template scripts
- Need SSH client on your computer

HPRC Maroon Galaxy



- Web-based
- Many software tools are available
- First <u>apply</u> for an HPRC account then request a Galaxy account



HPRC Portal

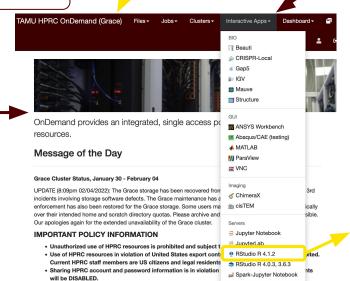


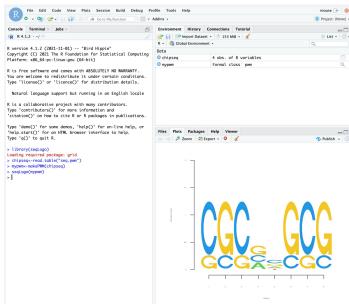
Interactive Apps: launch R and more right in your browser.

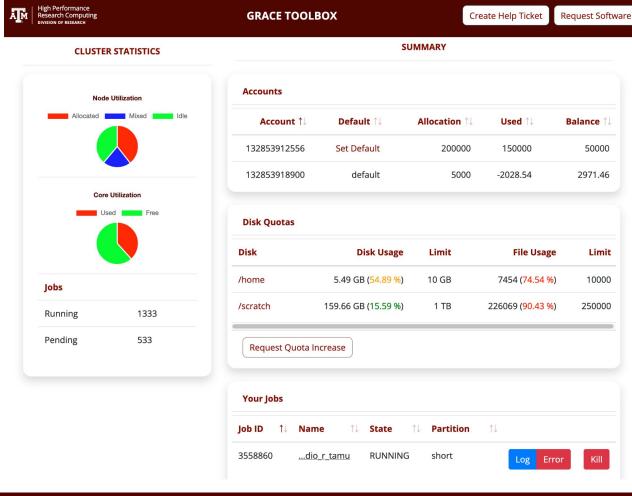
Open OnDemand (OOD) Portal is an advanced web-based graphical interface for

<u>HPRC Portal</u> YouTube tutorials

HPC users.



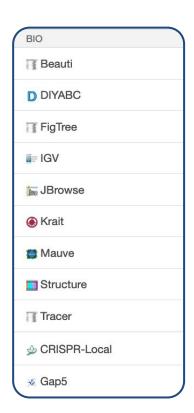




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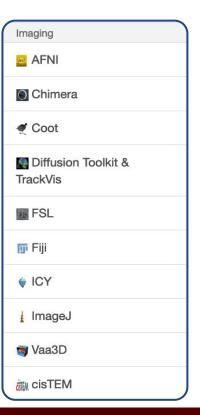
- Cluster statistics
- Allocations
- Disk quotas
- Jobs

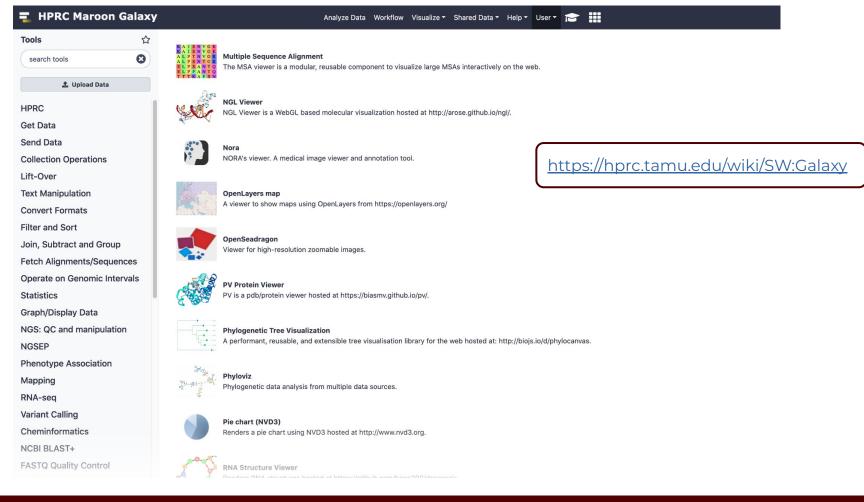
HPRC Portal - Interactive Apps











HPRC Genomic Computational Analysis Templates

- GCATemplates resource provides numerous template job scripts
- Template scripts connect to software modules
- Templates are configured with small sample datasets that you can run for testing

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CATEGORY

1. FASTA files
2. FASTQ files (QC, trim, SRA)
3. Genome assembly
4. Metagenomics
5. PacBio tools
6. Phylogenetics
7. Population genetics
8. Protein tools
9. RNA-seq
10. SNPs & indels
11. Sequence alignments
12. Simulate data
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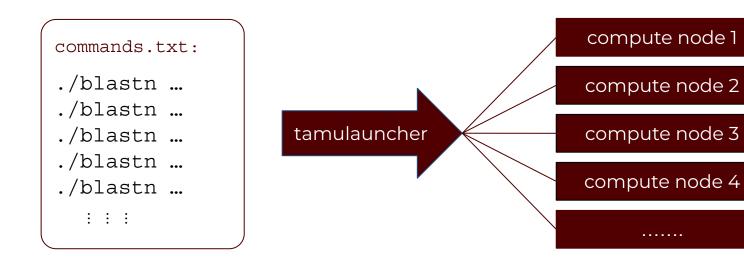
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HPRC TAMULauncher

tamulauncher provides a convenient way to run a large number of serial or multithreaded commands without the need to submit individual jobs or a Job array.





Data Transfer Options

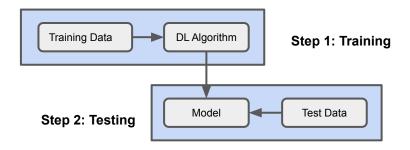
- Use HPRC's <u>fast transfer nodes</u> for high-speed transfers
- For small files of less than 2GB
 - Use <u>HPRC's web-portal</u>
 - HPRC Galaxy for bio-researchers
 - MobaXterm from your computer
 - <u>BaseMount</u> copy files from your Illumina BaseSpace account to Grace
- For large files sized hundreds of GB to greater than ITB
 - Globus Connect website
 - ftp transfer for <u>HPRC Galaxy</u>

For more details and options please visit https://hprc.tamu.edu/wiki/HPRC:File_Transfers



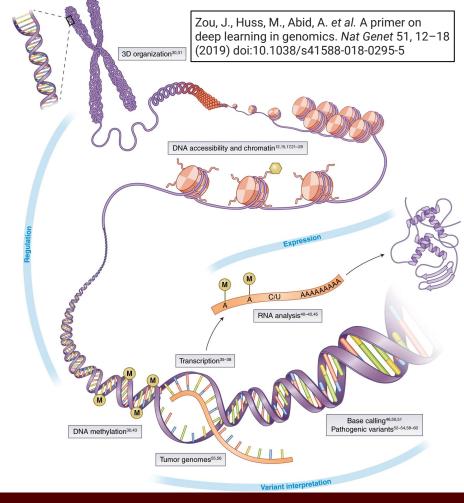
Deep Learning in Genomics

Deep Learning



• Deep Learning Libraries for Genomics

<u>DragoNN</u>	DragoNN provides a toolkit to learn how to model and interpret regulatory sequence data using deep learning.
<u>Kipoi</u>	Kipoi is an API and a repository of ready-to-use trained models for genomics.





Funded Grants Since 2017

- NSF: ACES (\$6M + \$1M/year for 5 years)
- NSF MRI: FASTER (\$3.09M + \$1.32M TAMU match)
- Texas Virtual Data Library (ViDaL, \$1.4M)
- NSF CyberSEES: Coastal Resilience Collaboratory (Subaward \$100K)
- NSF Frontera (Campus Bridging, Subaward \$500K)
- NSF CC*: Improve Campus Network at PVAMU (Subaward \$65K)
- NSF CC*: SWEETER (\$1.43M)
- NSF CC*: BRICCs (\$250K)
- NSA GenCyber Summer Camps (\$80K, 2019, 2020)
- Texas Workforce Commission (TWC, \$63K, 2019, 2021)
- NSF CyberTraining: CiSE-ProS (\$532K)
- NSF CyberTraining: CMS³ (\$499K)
- THECB (\$301K) & THECB with UTRGV (Subaward \$100K)
- Texas Workforce Commission (\$40.6K, 2022)





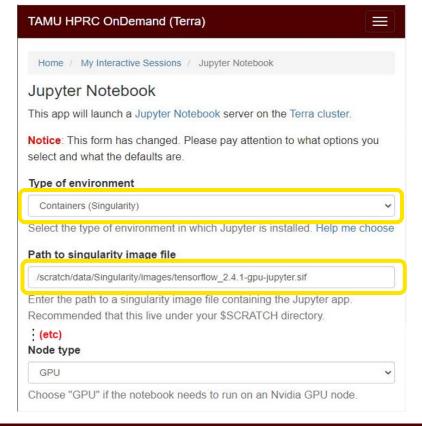




Containers and Cloud





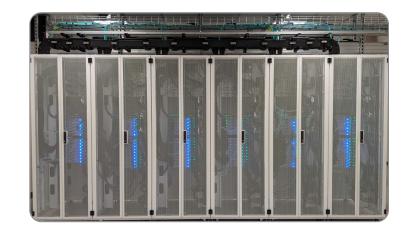




NSF MRI FASTER

Fostering Accelerated Scientific Transformations, Education, and Research

- **composable** software-hardware approach
- 184-Intel Ice Lake nodes (11,520-core) with InfiniBand. (64-core, 256GB memory, and 3.84TB NVMe disk per node)
- NVIDIA GPUs: 200x T4, 40x A100, 10x A10, 4x A30, and 8x A40 GPUs
- Each node can compose up to 20 GPUs.



This project is supported by NSF award #2019129

NSF ACES - Accelerating Computing for Emerging Sciences (Spring 2022)



Component	Quantity	Description
Allocatable resources		Total cores: 11,520, 512 GB memory/node
<u>Graphcore IPU</u>	16	16 IPUs direct-attached to a server
Future <u>Intel Agilex FPGA</u> replacement	20	Agilex FPGA with a broad hierarchy of memory
<u>NextSilicon</u> coprocessor	20	Reconfigurable accelerator
NEC Vector Engine	24	Vector computing card and HBM2 memory
Intel Ponte Vecchio GPU	100	Intel GPU for HPC, DL Training, AI Inference
<u>Liqid Intel Optane PCIe SSDs</u>	6	3 TB PCIe SSD cards addressable as memory

This project is supported by NSF award #<u>2112356</u>





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Quad Chart for: SWEETER: South West Expertise in Expanding
Training, Education, and Research

Challenge Project Seeks to Address:

- Multi-disciplinary research will be strengthened by offering opportunities to researchers to collaborate
- There is a need for computing research support at institutions at all levels of learning
- Research projects need more than enablement to succeed

Deliverables:

- Research exchange supports 20+ fields of science
- A boots-on-the-ground approach using existing CI resources is adopted
- All institutions are providers and consumers of research CI
- Site ambassadors support campuses
- Educational resources developed
- · Engage community colleges
- Rotating annual conference and annual site activities



Scientific Impact:

- Holistic vision for researcher success envisioned
- Uses CI as the means for researcher engagement and collaborations
- Enablement is reimagined
- Regional MSI, emergent MSIs nonprofits and industry learn together
- · Several CI projects implemented

Team:

Texas A&M, UT Austin, New Mexico State, West Texas A&M, UT San Antonio, Texas A&M San Antonio, University of Arizona, Prairie View A&M, UT Rio Grade Valley, University of Alabama (B), LEARN, and the National Center for Genome Research

Project Updates:

- Stay tuned for updates at hprc.tamu.edu/sweeter/
- Lots of faculty and student programs
- Need more funds to support programs at other regional MSIs!





NSF VIRTUAL CAMPUS CI INFRASTRUCTURE PI WORKSHOP **SEPTEMBER 14 – 15 & 21-22, 2021**

Quad Chart for: BRICCs: Building Research Innovation at **Community Colleges**

Challenge Project Seeks to Address:

- Expand research cyberinfrastructure adoption at smaller institutions and community colleges
- Develop a communication mechanism to identify and ameliorate local issues
- Offer (local) campus CI expertise for researchers

Deliverables:

- Developed a CI adoption plan for twovear institutions
- Targeted technical, policy and learning resources are offered on our website: https://hprc.tamu.edu/briccs/
- Engage with CIO, faculty and administration at smaller institutions
- Rotating annual workshop and site activities
- Assist institutions and groups working on CC* proposals

CI Technologies

Research



















Scientific Impact:

- Building support mechanisms for curricular and research involving CI
- Engaged with the science team in CC* SWEETER Cyberteam
- Engaged community volunteers are CIOs and senior faculty members
- Assisting in faculty-engagement at smaller schools

Upcoming Community Workshop:

- Join us in mid-October for our BRICCs workshop virtually or at South Plains College in Levelland, TX.
- Workshop collocated with Texas Association of Community Colleges CIO group

Project Updates:

- Stay tuned for updates on twitter and the HPRC YouTube channel
- Resources available for faculty and student CI programs



Partnering on Outreach

Leverage our programs to strengthen your broader impacts

- Teach a short course on computing to the TAMU community
- Participate as an instructor in the Summer Computing
 Academy program camps for middle and high school students
- Join the the NSF SWEETER CyberTeam to explore computing-driven research and educational partnerships with universities in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona
- Participate in our NSF BRICCs community to support research computing at smaller institutions and community colleges
- Make your computing products available on the NSF ACES, NSF FASTER, and NSF Frontera machines











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