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# THE SMD-E SCOOP

*Southern Maryland Engineering Program Monthly Updates*



*Happy Holidays*

*"The holiday season is a perfect time  
to reflect on our blessings and seek out ways  
to make life better for those around us."*

*- Anonymous*

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# UPCOMING Events

**Booz Allen Hamilton Colloquium:**  
**Jamil Abo-Shaeer, Vector Atomic**

Friday, December 2 at 3:30pm

**MPEL Seminar:**

**Professor Matthias Preindl,**  
**Columbia University**

Wednesday, December 7 at 1:00pm

**The Distinguished Scholar-**  
**Teacher Lecture Series Presents:**

**Allen P. Davis**

Thursday, December 8 at 4:00pm

**CHBE Seminar: Dr. Fikile Brushett,**  
**Massachusetts Institute of**  
**Technology**

Friday, December 9 at 11:00am

**TPP/ANA Panel**

**with RADM Andrew Loiseau**

Wednesday, December 14 at 5:00pm

# Semester Updates

## Important Reminders

- **General USMSM Information**
  - Need USMSM wifi access? Click [here](#).
  - Need to print at USMSM? There is a print station on the first floor of the SMART building. See Markia Simmonds in the Building 2 office for print cards.
  - Click [here](#) for ME and EE schedules with room assignments.
- **Support**
  - Click [here](#) to access the 2022 SMD-E Survival Manual.

## Congratulations to an SMD-E Graduate

### Kyle Robinson-Jordan Wins BEYA Science Spectrum Trailblazer Award

The Black Engineer of the Year Awards (BEYA) Science Spectrum Trailblazer Award has been bestowed upon Kyle Robinson-Jordan, who works in the Special Communications Mission Solutions (SCMS) Division.

Trailblazers are “minority men and women actively creating new paths for others in science, research, technology, and development...they distinguish themselves by constantly setting their sights higher, striving to innovate and open doors for others.”

Kyle is the Lead Project Engineer for the Navy-wide National Enterprise Land Mobile Radio System (ELMR) project, which is the primary means of worldwide voice communication among military and public safety personnel. In just a short time in this role, he made many meaningful improvement to the system.

Kyle was recognized for not only his superior work, but for his active personal development and support of others' development through multiple teaching and outreach activities, such as assisting in NAVAIR's efforts on promoting STEM for grade school students, serving as a team advisor and mentor for the Weather Evaluation System intern challenge, and as a volunteer for the National Society of Black Engineers Junior at Thomas Stone High School.

Israel “Izzy” Jordan, WOLF's Technical Initiatives & Strategy Director, notes that, “Beyond Kyle's numerous improvements to the ELMR system, which have made a great difference to the warfighter, he has worked relentlessly for self-improvement, having completed multiple certifications and courses while also serving as the Mentoring Committee Chair for the WOLF Professional Developmental Committee.”

Kyle is currently awaiting confirmation from his applications to Naval Postgraduate School and University of Maryland for a Systems Engineering Master's Program.

He was nominated for this award by SCMS Division Director Doug Hosea and will be recognized during the 2023 BEYA STEM Conference at the Technology Recognition Event on 10 February 2023. Congratulations, Kyle!

