

## Alabama Energy Transformation Initiative (AETI) University of Alabama (UA) - Energy Alabama



## Mission

- Establishing a clean energy education and empowerment program at educational institutes, especially for students underrepresented in STEM
- Just & equitable transition to a clean energy by
  - Diverse and inclusive workforce development
  - Energy efficiency assistance for small and medium sized businesses
- Building a regional network for inclusive energy education, including schools and industry in disadvantaged communities

## **Capacity and Experience**

- <u>NSF Alabama Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority</u> <u>Participation (LSAMP)</u>: recruited, educated, and graduated minority students in STEM at UA and partner institutions
- <u>Energy Alabama</u>: taught 12,000+ students energy technology and management since 2014
- <u>Alabama Industrial Assessment Center (IAC)</u>: trained 120+ students and conducted 280+ energy assessments since 2007

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## **Planned Activities**

- 1. Participatory Energy Education for Industry Energy Assessment
- 2. Energy in Action: Outreach for Energy Education & Workforce Training
- 3. Energy Entrepreneurship Seminars & Field Trips
  - For Alabama high school and college students underrepresented in STEM with disadvantaged backgrounds
  - Inclusive network and educational pipeline to support students' career opportunities and workforce development in clean energy fields



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