Description of the *This is Research Sessions*

**Lightning Sessions**

The lightning sessions will focus on research topics that cut across disciplines. These sessions are designed to bring researchers and creative scholars with common interests together in order to initiate opportunities for further connection during the upcoming year. The format will feature 3-minute presentations by faculty on their research/scholarship (limited to 12 presenters, but all who are interested in the topic are welcome to attend). There also will be time for dialogue among the session participants. Click [here](#) to see descriptions of each of the sessions.

**Auburn Talks Presentations**

The Auburn Talks are 10-minute presentations addressing exciting, diverse areas of research. There will be opportunities to interact with the presenters during the break, poster session, and reception. Click [here](#) to see the list of presenters and the titles of their talks.

**Institutes/Centers/Initiatives Update**

Directors of Auburn University Institutes, Centers and Initiatives that foster research innovation in areas of *Health, Energy, Environment, Cyber and Technology* will be available to share the latest activities of their units. Click [here](#) to see a list of the participating institutes, centers and initiatives.

**Poster Session**

The poster session provides an opportunity for Auburn and Auburn at Montgomery researchers to share their latest research in areas of *Health, Energy, Environment, Cyber and Technology*.

**Keynote**

Lt. Gen. Steven L. Kwast is Commander and President, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. His address is entitled: "Leading the Transformation of America into the Information Age; the Role of Leaders in American Society." There will be time for questions after the presentation, which will be followed by a reception. Click [here](#) for more information on Lt. Gen. Kwast.

*The Research Advisory Board Creative Scholarship and Research Award will be presented to the 2015 recipient immediately prior to the keynote address.*