

Alabama Goes to Space

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Get ready to travel to space right here in Alabama! This workshop will tell the story of Alabama's pivotal role in U.S. space history and explore connections between STEM and social studies. Participants will receive expert insight from UAH historian Christine Sears and hear firsthand tales of the space race from engineers and physicists who worked for NASA in Huntsville. UAH historian John Kvach will demonstrate the basics of conducting and recording oral histories. Teachers will also receive special tours of the U.S. Space and Rocket Center and Marshall Space Flight Center. Participants will leave with materials and activities to take back to the classroom and leave emboldened to celebrate Alabama's history in their own backyard.