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Brain Institute Hosts First ASCEND Program

The Brain Institute recently kicked off its ASCEND (Advancing STEM-Community Engagement Through Neuroscience Discovery) program series at STEM Studio in Downtown Abacoa. The events provided a unique opportunity for middle school students to learn more about the human brain. Graduate and post-doctoral students from FAU, Scripps Florida and Max Planck Florida Institute (MPFI) worked interactively with students to explore real brains, view florescent glowing microbrains and other STEM activities. The Brain Institute, in partnership with the Stiles-Nicholson Foundation, is addressing the national shortage in STEM career-oriented students with ASCEND, an innovative program targeting middle and high school students in Palm Beach County. [Learn More.](#)