

## LSAMP Meeting

April 14, 2022

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## LSAMP Meetings: Spring 2022

- February 10, 2022
- March 10, 2022
- April 14, 2022
- May 12, 2022
- All Meetings are on Thursdays-
- Time: 5:00-6:30 p.m.
- Location: Zoom (maybe in person in May?)

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## Tonight

- Sign in
  - <https://forms.gle/1RAZLzhnWSAoTRoP7>
- Announcements / Opportunities
- LSAMP Reminders
  - Textbook Reimbursement
  - GRE Reimbursement
  - Spring Hiring
  - Administrative support: Christi Jantz in CoS Dean's Office
- Surveys
  - Year end: will be sending survey soon
  - Survey from Statewide coming
  - Exit Interviews coming
- Panel: How to Finance Your Graduate Education

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## Opportunities

- Bridges to the Doctorate at Cal State LA
- International Opportunities
- PROUD Scholars – Call for Nominations Coming
- Summer Research with LSAMP – let me know
- Chemistry Career Club: Fridays at 2 pm
- SACNAS Submit research and travel scholarships – April 15
- Great Minds in STEM Scholarships and travel – April 30
- SERSCA Travel
- SERSCA Mini
- Summer Research Links

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## LSAMP Bridges to the Doctorate (BD) Program

Apply to the LSAMP-BD research fellowship  
Application now OPEN till **April 15, 2022**

LSAMP members,  
Are you planning to  
pursue a  
STEM Master Degree  
at Cal State LA  
starting Fall 2022?

Program Benefits:

- Full Graduate tuition & Fee
- \$32,000 yearly stipend + \$10,500 in tuition, fees, travel, supplies, & PD
- Mentorship Training
- Support in applying to STEM PhD programs

More info: <https://www.calstatela.edu/lsamp/graduate-lsamp>

The funding for this program is pending approval by the National Science Foundation.

Facebook: @LSAMP\_CALSTATELA | Email: LSAMP@CALSTATELA.EDU

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## SERSCA

- SERSCA Programs (<https://www.csustan.edu/office-research-sponsored-programs/sersca-program>)
- Graduate Student Assistantships: \$2000 (applications require faculty sponsor and proposal)
- Undergraduate Assistantships: \$1000 (applications require faculty sponsor and proposal)
- Mini-grants: up to \$300 (applications will undergo immediate review, and awards will be made until all funds are allocated)
- Travel grants: up to \$1000 for students presenting, and up to \$800 for students attending conferences (applications will undergo immediate review, and awards will be made until all funds are allocated)

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## Looking for Summer Research

- Pathways to Science
  - <https://www.pathwaystoscience.org/>
- NSF
  - <https://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/>
- LSAMP listserv

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## Summer Research and Internships

- What is the difference?
- Research Application Tips and Checklist:
  - <https://geosciencewomen.org/be-prepared/real-world-experience/reu-application-tips/>
- Internship Application Tips and Checklist
  - [https://career.caltech.edu/documents/4988/Internship\\_Checklist.pdf](https://career.caltech.edu/documents/4988/Internship_Checklist.pdf)

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## How to Finance Your Graduate Education

- Guest Speakers:
  - Christina Goodeill
    - Financial Aid Advisor
    - Graduate/Credential Student Aid Coordinator
  - Evelyn Ramos
    - Employer & Campus Engagement Lead
    - Career and Professional Development Center
    - CareerReadyU Initiative
  - Hayley Ye
    - Dean of Graduate Studies and Research

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## Travel

- Please let LSAMP know when you will be traveling and what department completed the paperwork, i.e., Travel Request/Claim. LSAMP is required to submit this information to the Statewide Department at the end of each year to maintain our Grant Funding.
- We have very limited **travel funds**, but we may be able to help you find money to travel. Please come talk to us if you plan to travel.

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## Travel

- **Defensive Driving-**
- Students must take and pass the campus online Defensive Driving Course in order to receive mileage reimbursement on Travel Claims.
- Test can be found on university website
  - <https://www.csustan.edu/training-development/defensive-driver-training>
  - Fill out form
  - Link for Test and Certificate will be emailed to you
  - LSAMP needs Original Certificate

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## After you fill out form

### Defensive Driver Training

Thank you for registering for the Defensive Driver Training.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY AS THE PROCESS HAS RECENTLY CHANGED:

FACULTY/STAFF/STUDENT ASSISTANTS - Once your Driver's License has been cleared through DMV you will receive an email with instructions on how to access the course(s). This email will come from the Training Administrator. You will then have 30 days to complete it. The course takes approximately two hours to complete and will allow you to stop and start.

ALL OTHER STUDENTS/VOLUNTEERS - Please click on the Department of General Services (DGS) link to complete the course: <http://www.dgs.ca.gov/form/Programs/DDTOnlineTraining.aspx>. It is strongly recommended that you check computer compatibility as instructed on the webpage to ensure that you are able to complete the course. The DGS course will take approximately two hours to complete will not allow you to stop and start, so please make sure to allow enough time. Please complete the course in the next 30 days and send the certificate of completion to Safety & Risk Management at [risk@csustan.edu](mailto:risk@csustan.edu).

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## Textbook Reimbursements

- LSAMP will pay up to \$200.00 per student per semester (as our budget allows) provided you attended at least half the meetings in the previous semester (exception for new admits)
- Must be required for a STEM class and you must pay for it
- Grant says TEXTBOOKS, this includes
  - Ebooks
  - Book rentals
  - Online materials bundled with the books
  - NOT other required equipment and supplies
- Please bring to LSAMP Office
  - A copy of syllabus
  - ORIGINAL RECEIPTS with your name and proof of payment

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## GRE Fee Reimbursements

- LSAMP will reimburse GRE test fees (as our budget allows) for one general exam and one subject exam. If funds are not sufficient we will prioritize by meeting attendance.
- To receive reimbursement we need proof of payment and proof you took it, so please bring to the LSAMP Office
  - A receipt showing you paid for the test
  - GRE Score Sheet
- We are not able to pay for standby fees or for additional attempts

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## Graduate School Application Fees

- We have a limited budget to pay for graduate school application fees. We cannot pay for fees that you could have had waived as an LSAMP participants, so please check on waivers before you pay. If the fee cannot be waived, we need proof that you paid the fee.

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## Gray Areas

- In general, it is best to submit the paperwork for things that might not be reimbursable, since sometimes we end the year with a little extra money and will look for student reimbursements to pay.
- Once you have officially graduated we will most likely not be able to process reimbursements to you.

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## Research Poster Printing

- We can pay to have research posters that you will be using to present your work printed through Reprographics. You can come to the LSAMP Office to pick up the form Reprographics needs to bill us.
- Posters are generally 3 ft. by 4 ft. in color on plain paper and cost about \$35.
- Everyone doing research should have a poster in the College of Science Poster Celebration in May.
- Your research mentor should be able to help you design a poster. Please contact us if you have any questions.

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## Research Interns

- We are just now selecting and hiring our research interns for Fall
- If we have more applicants than funds, priority goes to:
  - Continuing Interns who have complied with the requirements
  - LSAMP participation – e.g. meeting attendance
  - Distribution over majors and mentors
- Sometimes Interns graduate in the Fall, so if you applied and didn't receive it, try again in Spring
- We will keep your application open - depending on funds we may have one or two late hires
- Some expectations for Spring semester
  - Student Research Competition
  - College of Science Poster Session

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## Some work details

- Interns
  - Responsible Conduct of Research Training and Certificate of Completion (CITI) are required before Interns can start work.
- Timesheets for Interns
  - Please go into your MyCUSTAN timesheet around the middle of the month and make sure you are able to enter your hours. If there is a problem we need to know about it before the end of the month so we can fix it and you can get paid on time.
  - Pay attention to emails from us!!! And respond!!!