

LSAMP Meeting

October 11, 2018

LSAMP Meetings: Fall 2018

- September 13, 2018
- October 11, 2018
- November 8, 2018
- December 6, 2018
- All Meetings are on Thursdays-
- Time: 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Location: South Dining Hall

Tonight

- LSAMP Reminders
- Announcements
- Preparing for Graduate School
 - Iqbal Atwal
- UC Merced NSF-CREST Center for Cellular and Biomolecular Machines (CCBM)
 - Carrie Kouadio
- UC Merced nAnomaterials Center for Energy and Sensing (MACES)
 - Dr. Ghosh, Dr. Lu

LSAMP Reminders

- Travel
- Textbook: Sept. 20 will start review – submit now
- GRE
- Grad School Application Fees
- Research Posters
- Research Interns: Job is posted
 - Reviewing applications early next week

Travel

- Please let LSAMP (Suzanne) 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.

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

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/orim/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@caustan.edu.

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

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

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 participant, so please check on waivers before you pay. If the fee cannot be waived, we need proof that you paid the fee.

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.

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.

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

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!!!

Opportunities

- Chemistry Career Club: Fridays at 2 pm
- SERSCA Assistantships
- SERSCA Travel
- SERSCA Mini
- GRE Webinar Oct 17

VIRGINIA - NORTH CAROLINA LEADS ALLIANCE FOR MINORITY PARTICIPATION

BRIDGE TO THE DOCTORATE
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

ABOUT

- Starting Fall 2018
- \$12,000 stipend
- Cost of education allowance including:
 - Tuition and university fees
 - Health insurance
- Funding guaranteed for up to six years for students in good academic standing
- Three-week residential transition program
- Mentoring activities
- Support for writing fellowship applications

ELIGIBILITY

- Must have been a Level 1 LSAMP student as an undergraduate

PH.D. PROGRAMS

- Astronomy
- Biology
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biological Sciences
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Sciences
- Geophysics
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
- Physics
- Statistics
- Systems Engineering

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The Call for 2019 CSU Biotechnology Symposium Poster Abstracts is now open! Deadline - Monday, September 17, 2018, 5 pm pacific time

Calls for 2019 Eden and Nagel Student Research Award Nominations are now open! Deadline - Monday, September 17, 2018, 5 pm pacific time

This is the first announcement for the 31st Annual CSU Biotechnology Symposium (January 3-5, 2019, Hyatt Regency Orange County). See www.csuperb.org/symposium/ for more information.

POSTER ABSTRACTS:

The poster abstract submission system is now open. [Please read information at http://www.csuperb.org/symposium/poster-info/](http://www.csuperb.org/symposium/poster-info/) about selection criteria and submission information.

CSUPERB defines biotechnology as a fusion of biology and technology. CSUPERB welcomes and solicits abstracts from CSU faculty-led groups in all disciplines related to the current practice of biotechnology, including but not limited to life sciences, physical sciences, clinical sciences, math, computer science, agricultural science, engineering, and/or business.

SERSCA

- **SERSCA Programs** (<https://www.custan.edu/office-research-sponsored-programs/sersca-program>)
- Graduate Student Assistantships: \$2000 (applications due 9/24; requires faculty sponsor and proposal)
- Undergraduate Assistantships: \$1000 (applications due 9/24; requires 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)

GRE Webinar from Dr. Gerson

- I belong to the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Chapter on campus and in the monthly newsletter, I saw that the PKP on a different campus is hosting a Princeton Review GRE Strategy Webinar, live on Wednesday, Oct. 17, from 5-6:30 PDT. The webinar is FREE but you have to register to attend.

Princeton Review will undoubtedly collect your contact information and try to get you to sign up for one of their pay-for GRE prep workshops, but you might be interested in something like that anyways. Princeton Review is a reputable company, but keep in mind that they are a commercial enterprise.

If you are interested, here is the link to register for the GRE Strategy webinar:
<https://www.princetonreview.com/product/offerings/419967?z=92096>

Looking for Summer Research

- Science Education Equity at Sac State
- <http://www.csus.edu/nsm/see/Student%20Resources/Enrichment%20Programs.html>
 - Pathways to Science
 - NSF
- LSAMP listserv