



**MS PHD'S in Earth System Science
Professional Development Program
2010 Phase III Agenda
(Events Subject to Change)**

Friday, March 12, 2010

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm	MS PHD'S Staff & Mentors Arrive at The Virginian Suites 1500 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22209, 703.522.9600 www.virginiansuites.com □ Room Check-in
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7:00 pm	Dinner "on your own" at nearby restaurants
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Saturday, March 13, 2010

8:00 am - 8:00 pm	MS PHD'S Participants arrive at The Virginian Suites
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8:00 am - 9:00 am	Mentor & Staff Planning Meeting La'Tanya Turner's Staff Suite
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1:15 pm - 1:30 pm	Meet in lobby of Virginian Suites for group travel to museums Program mentors will provide guidance on using the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority System (WMATA)
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1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Travel to Marion Koshland Science Museum of The National Academy of Science and the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery 500 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001 (Koshland) 800 F Street Northwest, Washington, DC 20004 (Gallery) Travel via Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority System (WMATA) www.wmata.com
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2:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Tour the Marion Koshland Science Museum of The National Academy of Science and the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery http://www.koshland-science-museum.org/index.jsp http://www.npg.si.edu/
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*****	<i>Participants who arrive too late in the day to attend the guided tour at the Marion Koshland Science Museum may return any time later in the week for free admission and a self-guided tour. You must have your MS PHD'S badge to show at the front desk.</i>
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5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Travel to Adams Morgan Restaurants for "dinner on your own" Travel via WMATA
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6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	An International and Diverse Dining Experience in Adams Morgan http://washingtondc.menupages.com/restaurants/all-areas/adams-morgan/all-cuisines/
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8:00 pm	Travel to Hotel Travel via WMATA
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Sunday, March 14, 2010

8:00 am - 8:15 am	Phase III Orientation The Virginian Suites Hotel Conference Room
8:15 am - 12:00 pm	Oral presentations by <i>MS PHD'S</i> Student Participants The Virginian Suites Hotel Conference Room
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Travel to Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian Travel via WMATA
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch at the Mitsitam Café and Tour the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian http://www.nmai.si.edu/
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Tour Smithsonian National Museum of African Art and Museum of Natural History http://africa.si.edu/index2.html http://www.mnb.si.edu/
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Travel to Hotel Travel via WMATA
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm	<i>MS PHD'S</i> Cooking and Music Preparation
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Multi-cultural Food Festival Virginian Suites Potomac Room

Monday, March 15, 2010

9:00 am -10:00 am	Mentors and Mentees Review and Discuss Career Development Goals Facilitated by Dr. Vivian Williamson Whitney <i>Review of current resumes * finding opportunities * application and interview tips and techniques * follow-ups and thank-yous</i> Virginian Suites Conference Room
10:00 am - 11:30 pm	Environmental Protection Agency Presentation Facilitated by Dr. Brandon Jones, <i>MS PHD'S</i> Program Mentor Virginian Suites Conference Room http://www.epa.gov/
11:30 pm - 12:30 pm	Travel via Charter Bus to National Academy of Sciences for Group Picture 2101 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington D.C. Box lunch served on bus
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Travel to USDA / U.S. Forest Service Offices 1400 Independence Ave., S.W. , Washington, DC 20250 Travel via charter bus
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	USDA/U.S. Forest Service Presentation and Program Information Facilitated by Dr. Stacy Nelson, <i>MS PHD'S</i> Program Mentor USDA South Building Room 204 http://www.fs.fed.us/

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Travel to NOAA Exploration Command Center SSMC#3 Room 10116, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 Meet in front of the "Hand" at Building 3 Travel via charter bus
3:00 pm - 4:15 pm	NOAA Exploration Command Center Facilitated by Dr. Catalina Martinez, <i>MS PHD'S</i> Program Mentor Presented by Fred Gorell, Public Affairs Officer http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov/welcome.html
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm	NOAA Exploration Command Center Presentations of Graduate Student Opportunities by NOAA Office of Education
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Travel to Hotel Travel via charter bus
6:30 pm - 7:15 pm	Dinner Catered in the Virginian Suites Conference Room
7:15 pm - 8:00 pm	Reflective Activities Discussion of preparation for Capitol Hill Visit Facilitated by Dr. Vivian Williamson Whitney, Program Administrator Virginian Suites Conference Room
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	MS PHD'S Men's Discussion Facilitated by Dr. Ambrose Jearld, <i>MS PHD'S</i> Program Mentor "Our Voices: Affirming and Empowering Brothers" Virginian Suites Board Room
8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	MS PHD'S Women's Discussion Facilitated by Dr. Vivian Williamson Whitney, Program Administrator "Women's Talking Circle" Virginian Suites Conference Room
Tuesday, March 16, 2010	
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Travel to NASA Goddard Space Flight Center Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD Travel via charter bus Bus departs promptly at 7:30 am Please do not be late!
8:30 am - 12:00 pm	NASA Goddard Space Flight Center Tour Organized by Terri Patterson and Jane Nall NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center http://www.nasa.gov/centers/goddard/home/
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Travel to Howard University Research Campus 7501 Muirkirk Road, Beltsville, MD 20705 Travel via charter bus

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4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Travel to Hotel Travel via charter bus
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Set up Poster Presentations by MS PHD'S Participants Virginian Suites Potomac Room
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Catered dinner and poster presentations Virginian Suites Potomac Room
Wednesday, March 17, 2010	
8:00 am - 8:15 am	Meet in lobby of Virginian Suites for group travel to National Academy of Sciences via the WMATA
8:15 am - 9:00 am	Travel to National Academies 500 5th Street, NW, Washington, DC Travel via WMATA
9:00 am - 9:15 am	National Academies Security Check-In
9:15 am - 10:00 am	Ford Foundation Fellowship Office Presentation at NAS Organized by Christine O'Brien, Program Supervisor Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship Programs Room 110 http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/fordfellowships/
10:00 am - 11:30 am	NAS Ocean Studies Board Presentation Organized by Dr. Susan Roberts, Ocean Studies Board Director Room 110 http://dels.nas.edu/osb/
11:30 pm - 12:30 pm	Lunch "on your own" at cafeteria located inside the National Academies
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Travel to the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center Travel via WMATA
1:00 pm - 1:40 pm	Meetings with Congressional Representatives
1:40 pm - 3:10 pm	Guided Tour of the U.S. Capitol www.visittbecapitol.gov
3:10 pm - 4:30 pm	Meetings with Congressional Representatives
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Travel to Hotel Travel via WMATA
5:30 pm	Dinner "on your own" at nearby restaurants

Thursday, March 18, 2010

8:00 am - 8:30 am	Travel to NSF Travel via charter bus 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Check-in through NSF security Main entrance - corner of Stuart and 9th - one block north of Wilson
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	NSF Visit Organized by Dr. Jill Karsten, Program Director, Diversity and Education Office of the Assistant Director Geosciences Directorate http://nsf.gov/geo/adgeo/education.jsp
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Travel to U.S. Geological Survey in Reston, VA 12201 Sunrise Valley Dr., Reston, VA 20191 Travel via charter bus Box lunch served on bus
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	U.S. Geological Survey National Research Program Visit Facilitated by Dr. Matthew Larsen, Associate Director for Water Presented by Jo Leslie Eimers, Chief of Staff http://water.usgs.gov/nrp
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Travel to Hotel Travel via charter bus
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Dinner Catered in The Virginian Suites Potomac Room <i>MS PHD'S PDP</i> Reflective Activities: Following up with Congressional Representatives * Thank-you notes * Review and analysis of programs and presentations * Future goals and objectives * Becoming alumni * Next generation Facilitated by Dr. Vivian Williamson Whitney
<h2 style="text-align: center;">Friday, March 19, 2010</h2>	
11:00 am - 10:00 pm	<i>MS PHD'S</i> Participants Depart