

Education and Community Outreach Committee
March 27, 2023 – 1:00 pm Central Time via Zoom
<https://utsa.zoom.us/j/9013659006>

Attendance Pedro Lomonaco (*Oregon State University—HWRL*), Matt Schoettler (*University of California, Berkeley—SimCenter*), Lelli Van Den Einde (*University of California, San Diego—LHPOST6*), Stephanie Paal (*Texas A&M University—User Forum*), Tricia Clayton (*Wake Forest University—UT Mobile Shakers*), Klarissa Alarcon (*University of California, Davis—CGM*), Kurt Gurley (*University of Florida—BLWT*), Eric Salna (*Florida International University—Wall of Wind*), Chad Kusko (*Lehigh University—RTMD*), Karina Vielma (*University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO*), Robin Nelson (*University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO*)

1. Approved February ECO Meeting Minutes.

2. ECO Updates

- **Thank you** so much for your help in selecting NHERI Summer Institute participants. While we know it is not specifically for your site, you are knowledgeable in the research areas that your site supports. Your feedback offers a chance to select participants who are interested in or would benefit from your site's resources, and it provides a pathway to recruit users and network with up-and-coming researchers.

3. Diversity Survey

- Thank you to UT Mobile Shakers, UCSD, UW, OSU, FIU, UF, and Lehigh for providing their lists.
- Launched NHERI Leadership Diversity Survey 3/20 and will launch the NHERI Facilities Diversity Survey as soon as we have participant information.
- Next year we plan to consider additional questions for the Facilities Diversity Survey: Add the following demographic questions in future surveys: Disability, Sexuality, Employment/ Income (or income level growing up?), Family & Dependents (are they parents), Religion, Age, International status.
- **ACTION ITEM:** Need list from each site of NSF paid NHERI employees (first name, last name, email) as soon as possible. Thank you to OSU, FIU, UF, and Lehigh for providing their lists.

4. NHERI REU Summer Program

Important 2023 Dates

- **April 3-7** — REU Meet & Greet (specific time determined by WhenIsGood poll)
- **June 5 - August 11** — Block 1
- **June 20 - August 24** — Block 2
- **August 10-11** — NHERI REU Research Symposium: August 10-11 hosted by OSU.

Report—

- 107 completed applications; 31 selected
- Gender — 64.5% URG
- Race/Ethnicity— 48% URM
- First-Generation in Family to Graduate 4-year University — 35%
- Native Language Other Than English — 42%
- Home University Research Classification — 42% non-R1 home universities
- Review dates and provide feedback on REU Syllabus and Career & Development topics.
- Robin will introduce all REU interns via social media and tag your site.
- Create Moodle for REU interns.
- Create Google Calendar for Mentors
- **ACTION ITEM:** Please share mentor names with Robin so she can schedule the mentor training.

Questions—

- We would like to introduce the mentors and REU participants before the program begins or at the latest during Orientation? Sometime during April 24-28 or during the Block I (June 6) & II (June 20) Orientations? *After discussion, it seems that Karina and I will be creating some programming for you to share with your REU students during your meet and greet before they arrive. We will also share some of this programming again during our Orientation and as we move through the program. This programming*

addresses feedback we received from REU participants about connecting with their mentors and projects quickly. As a group effort, we think this makes the most sense to help participants feel comfortable and plug-in as soon as possible. We will share the programming over the next few weeks. Thank you for helping us make the REU program such a positive experience for our participants!!!

5. NHERI Summer Institute

Important 2023 Dates

- May 15 —Deadline to register as presenter, in-person self-funded attend, or virtual participant https://bit.ly/2023NHERISI_Registration
- April ECO Meeting— Deadline to submit updated bios and headshots.
- May 15 —Deadline to register as presenter, in-person self-funded attend, or virtual participant https://bit.ly/2023NHERI_PresenterRegistration
- May 21 — Deadline to reserve room at Double Tree with NHERI group rate <https://group.doubletree.com/2rep6c>
- **June 1:** Please provide PPT, flyers, lesson plan, and any other material to be printed.
- **June 21-23:** *NHERI Summer Institute*

Report—

- 59 virtual registrations; 13 in-person registration is now open for self-funded attendees (https://bit.ly/2023NHERISI_Registration)
- 77 completed Early Career faculty applicants; 29 NHERI GSC applicants.
- We will email a Qualtrics link to all presenters for the NHERI Summer Institute this week with registration link (https://bit.ly/2023NHERI_PresenterRegistration), Media Release (https://bit.ly/2023NHERI_SIMediaRelease), hotel reservation link (<https://group.doubletree.com/2rep6c>).
- Excursion, Thursday, June 22 5:45-7:30pm tour of the Tower of Americas. Reserve your seats in presenters' registration form you will receive via email.

Questions—

- *How would you like to network with NHERI Summer Institute participants this year? Our discussion landed on hosting several table site discussions instead of scheduling individual site meetings. The plan is to offer table discussions each day with specific sites so that participants can meet and find out more and ask questions in a low-key informal atmosphere. We hope you will set up individual meeting times with participants on Zoom after the event to continue the conversation. This version of networking combines site speed dating and individual site meetings to accomplish the best of both. It allows participants to visit more and learn more in-depth information about sites they are interested in after learning the basics from the site presentations.*

6. NHERI Graduate Student Council

Important Dates

- **March 31 — NHERI GSC DEI Working Group Workshop with Dr. Wu at 11:00 am CT.**
- **April 7 — Executive Committee**
- **April 21 —General Meeting**
- **May 26 — NHERI GSC Mini-Conference**
- **June 9 — Academic Publishing Workshop with Graduate Student Panel and Dr. Jack Baker**

Report—

- NHERI GSC is also hosting the NHERI GSC Mini-Conference on May 26, 2023. If you would like to attend or graduate students you know would like to attend, please register here: https://bit.ly/2023NHERIGSC_MiniConfRegistration.
- Academic Publishing Workshop with Graduate Student Panel and Dr. Jack Baker: Graduate students interested in being part of the panel can apply here: https://bit.ly/NHERIGSC_PublishingPanelApplication.

7. New Business-

- *Please take a moment to share your availability for the next NHERI ECO Committee Meeting: <http://whenisgood.net/cr3c3re>.*

8. Adjourn