About STEMAP

The STEM Ambassador Program (STEMAP) guides scientists to develop innovative public engagement activities, with an emphasis on reaching audiences who cannot or do not engage with science in conventional venues. Ambassadors design engagement activities in collaboration with and particular to community groups that share common ground with the scientist’s research or personal attributes.

Activities by STEMAP alumni include:

- an urban planner studying water conservation engaged inmates in a horticulture job training program in a discussion about xeriscaping;
- an ornithologist drew on her skills as a musician to write and perform music inspired by bird migrations; and
- a female scientist discussed careers in science with girls in a residential treatment center.

Why become an Ambassador?

- to promote increased public access to science;
- to interact with other scientists and build positive relationships in the local community;
- to design and carry out innovative engagement work that will make CVs and NSF Broader Impacts stand out.

Training

STEMAP requires a time commitment of 12 hours of training over 4 months plus additional time to implement engagement activities. The cohort training is from January – April 2020.

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Apply at www.stemap.org by December 9!