

Upcoming Events:

MAA MathFest

Portland, Oregon
August 6-9, 2014

ICERM IdeaLab

Brown University
August 11-15, 2014

MBI Undergraduate Capstone Conference

The Ohio State
University
August 11-15, 2014

SAMSI Bioinformatics Workshop

Research Triangle
Park, NC
September 8-12,
2014

Modern Math Workshop

Los Angeles, CA
October 15-16, 2014

SACNAS National Conference

Los Angeles, CA
October 16-18, 2014

Field of Dreams Conference

Phoenix, AZ
November 7-9, 2014

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We are Now Accepting Nominations for the 2014 Field of Dreams Conference!

Mentors— you can now nominate your scholars for the 2014 Field of Dreams Conference. Please use the link provided in the email sent to you on July 1st to fill out the nomination form. Contact us with any questions regarding the nomination process or conference.

Scholars— please talk to your mentor about being nominated. The Field of Dreams is great place to learn about academic and career opportunities, network with your peers, and even apply for a graduate program!

We hope to see you all in Phoenix this year, November 7-9!

“I thought the conference was an excellent experience as well as an *excellent networking tool*. I strongly suggest anyone that is thinking about continuing their studies in mathematics attend this conference because it definitely opened my eyes to the possibly. I am greatly appreciative of the opportunity.”



“I had such an *amazing experience*, learned so much new information that I can share with the math community on my campus, & made *friendships* that will last a long time.”

“This conference dramatically improved my *confidence*, and now I will definitely pursue a PhD! Thank you so much for this wonderful opportunity!”



**Click here for more photos from the
2013 Field of Dreams Conference**



Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Recognizes Alliance Programs & Mentors

We are proud to announce that Alliance Doctoral Mentors at the University of Iowa Department of Mathematics and the Arizona State University Simon A. Levin Mathematical, Computational, and Modeling Sciences Center have been awarded grants from the **Alfred P. Sloan Foundation**.

We would like to congratulate the University of Iowa of their selection as being named one of 5 schools nationally in becoming a University Center of Exemplary Mentoring by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. This new center spans 22 departments and graduate programs, including Mathematics, Statistics, and Biostatistics, at the UI. Each of the 174 UI Sloan Faculty in these programs is a senior faculty member who has made a commitment to work toward the academic success of underrepresented minority students pursuing PhDs.



Colleen Mitchell,
Director UI/Sloan Center
for Exemplary Mentoring
& Associate Professor of
Mathematics

Alliance Mentor and Associate Professor of Mathematics at the University of Iowa, Colleen Mitchell, has been named Director of the UI/Sloan Center. Dr. Mitchell is the current chair of the Department of Mathematics Committee on Diversity & Inclusion and is looking forward to increasing the number of minority PhDs in STEM education.

As a Center for Exemplary Mentoring, the UI is committed to student success by ensuring that a strong personalized mentoring plan is put in place for each of these Sloan Scholar. The UI will work closely with each department to make sure that students are receiving excellent mentoring throughout their studies. Visit <http://sloancenter.uiowa.edu/> to learn more!



Carlos Castillo-Chavez,
Director Simon A. Levin
Mathematical, Computa-
tional and Modeling
Sciences Center

We would like to congratulate Alliance Mentor Carlos Castillo-Chavez and the Arizona State University Simon A. Levin Mathematical, Computational, and Modeling Sciences Center, which was designated by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation as a Program of Exemplary Mentoring (PEM). Dr. Castillo-Chavez has played an important role in minority education, and serves as an Alliance Doctoral Mentor. We were pleased to have him give the keynote address at the 2013 Field of Dreams Conference.

This award recognizes an exemplary commitment to recruiting and mentoring minority students. The grant will help support recruitment, educational activities, mentor training and minority-focused workshops and seminars. "They are campus leaders that are demonstrating the creative, innovative role faculty can play in making sure minority graduate students succeed," Dr. Liz Boylan, Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Program Director.



MAA MATHFEST

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MAA MathFest is the largest annual summertime gathering of mathematicians. In 2014, MAA MathFest will offer all of the great sessions that you have come to expect from the conference: Invited Addresses, Invited Paper Sessions, Contributed Paper Sessions, Minicourses and more. [Click here to learn more.](#)