Fall Calendar

October 7th, Math Alliance Statistics Initiative Gathering
October 17th, Taking Our Place in Graduate School
October 24th; Virtual Graduate Fair and Virtual REU Fair
November 6th and 7th, Virtual Field of Dreams event

Brief descriptions:

Math Alliance Statistics Initiative Gathering (October 7, 3-4PM EDT for faculty): The Math Alliance has, since its inception, had a strong presence from and interest in promoting the statistical sciences community. This meeting will bring together our community of faculty and other professionals who are interested in learning more about the Math Alliance. We will provide guidance and best practices on effective mentoring of Math Alliance Scholars. We will also discuss how the Math Alliance can help your students and department, and provide details of upcoming events, including how to recruit during the Virtual Graduate Fair on October 24.

Taking Our Place in Graduate School (October 17, time TBA, for everyone): This will be a series of conversations focused on helping students prepare for, apply to, select, and thrive in a graduate program. This will include several breakout sessions in which students will meet with faculty from graduate programs to discuss important topics in small groups. There will also be current graduate students in attendance to provide their experience and perspectives. There will be a session on how to get the most out of the Graduate Fair which will occur the following week.
Virtual Graduate Fair and REU Fair (October 24, time TBA, for everyone): Our annual Graduate and REU fairs will take place on the virtual office platform Sococo. Graduate programs will host rooms where they can meet students and there will be designated social areas for students and mentors to meet with each other. Similarly, REU programs and students will be able to connect through the REU Fair event. We are excited by the possibilities this platform presents to facilitate connections.

Virtual Field of Dreams event (November 6&7, times TBA, for everyone): This free event takes place on the planned dates of our annual Field of Dreams conference. There will be about 3 hours of programming on each day, and we will attempt to transfer some of the sessions planned for this year’s conference to a virtual setting. We had great success working with IMA this summer to move our Career Paths workshop online, and we think we can leverage advantages of the virtual environment, while minimizing some of the things will lose by not being in the same place. Registration information will be coming soon. Registration and student nomination information will be available soon!