





# **UEC Education and Public Engagement**

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## Volunteering opportunities mailing list

- A mailing list to communicate outreach, mentoring, volunteering opportunities
  - Coupled with activity and remodeling of our own EPE website
  - Circumventing barriers, reaching especially the users community
- Received support for the idea from the Offices of EPE and EDI
- Mailing list created!
  - outreach-mentoring@fnal.gov
- Had a first meeting with Fermilab EPE, EDI
  - They were supportive of our vision for its purpose and implementation
- UEC EPE chair will co-manage the mailing list with Fermilab offices
- After setting it up, the work begins to promote signup in the list
  - We will probably work for many months to develop this in-reach, and continuously after that; this could be a tool that will serve our users for many years
  - Drafting first promotional communication
  - We will need YOUR help to reach out to these communities and promote participation!



### **Users Meeting sessions**

- We will be focusing heavily on organizing UM sessions
  - Science Communication
  - Careers panel
  - Snowmass
- We want to learn from past experience, and provide usefulness to the community
- We are assigning individuals to be responsible for each session to ensure progress

### Users Meeting: SciComm session

- Organizing parallel session on science communication
  - Organizer: Alexx
- Last year workshop led by Becky Thompson
  - Limited participation, required pre-registration
  - Aimed for some interactivity
- About to contact Fermilab EPE to see if they can help us organize again
- Some other ideas here:
  - Manolis attended an Argonne-led SciComm workshop that was very good, interactive; maybe think about contacting that team
  - Bring in outside organizers? funds available?

### Users Meeting: Careers panel

- Organizer: Manolis
- Last year panel organized by David
  - 4 speakers representing faculty, postdoc, lab scientist, industry
- Considering also getting someone from DOE
  - to promote DOE grants/fellowships/opportunities, and the government path
  - though we should be mindful not to have too many people, difficult in just 1 hour
- Format concept:
  - ~few mins introduction per person to introduce their background
    - or some slides with resources/links/opportunities from the DOE person
  - have some prepared questions for each to maximize effectiveness
  - take also selected questions as they come in
- May contact directory for suggestions
  - Kevin Pitts had expressed interest/background in career development
  - Could use a contact for a DOE person
- Coordinate with FSPA for complementary sessions in UM and NP



### Users Meeting: Snowmass session

- Snowmass planning is about to resume in the summer
  - Good timing for a session in the UM, to get everyone re-engaged
- Manolis is among Snowmass early-career reps, can help with some resources
- Initial suggestion for panel, but...
  - Way too many people if we have a representative from each Frontier
  - Snowmass events that have tried to do something like that in the past have not been successful
- Better to have single speaker, with other representatives in backup to take questions
  - Speaker can go over the important information of Snowmass timing, restarting, resources, contacts, White Paper submission, etc
  - Can have some prepared questions for backup representatives
    - Can coordinate with them on that, ask them directly what they want to communicate to the community
- We can reach out to main Snowmass leadership for suggestions



### UEC Education and Public Engagement, summary

- Mailing list for outreach, mentoring, volunteering opportunities created
  - outreach-mentoring@fnal.gov
  - We are planning sustained push to promote participation, will need your help
- Focusing on planning Users Meeting sessions
  - Science Communication session/workshop
    - Alexx is organizing, connecting with Fermilab EPE
  - Careers panel
    - Manolis is organizing, connecting with directorate for suggestions and DOE contact
  - Snowmass session/event
    - Manolis can help with Snowmass resources, connecting with Snowmass leadership