

# SAMPLE Opportunities for Scientists to Partner with NASA SMD Astrophysics Education/Outreach Programs

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Your scientific interests/ NASA Astrophysics Focus Areas	NASA Astrophysics E/PO Partner (+website); Contact Person (+email)	Target Audience	Your Role/Contribution	Approximate Time Commitment
<b>Big Bang</b>	NASA SMD Astrophysics Higher Education Collaboration ( <a href="http://smdepo.org">http://smdepo.org</a> ); Greg Schultz ( <a href="mailto:g Schultz@astrosociety.org">g Schultz@astrosociety.org</a> )	Instructors of undergraduate introductory astronomy (Astro 101) courses	Help us understand the teaching needs of Astro 101 instructors for cosmology topics.	1 hour total
<b>Black Holes / Stars</b>	Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope ( <a href="http://gtn.sonoma.edu">http://gtn.sonoma.edu</a> ); Kevin McLin ( <a href="mailto:mclin@universe.sonoma.edu">mclin@universe.sonoma.edu</a> )	High school or undergraduate students	Mentor students and/or teachers in observational projects with optical telescope. Provide a list of targets suitable for observing with a 14" CCD equipped telescope for their project.	1 hour per week over the duration of the project (3-4 months)
<b>Exoplanets</b>	Kepler ( <a href="http://kepler.nasa.gov/">http://kepler.nasa.gov/</a> ); Alan Gould ( <a href="mailto:agould@berkeley.edu">agould@berkeley.edu</a> ) or Edna DeVore ( <a href="mailto:e devore@seti.org">e devore@seti.org</a> )	Grades 5 through college graduate	Make presentations to classes.	2-4 hours per event, depending on number of classes
	Exoplanet Exploration Program-PlanetQuest E/PO Program ( <a href="http://planetquest.jpl.nasa.gov/">http://planetquest.jpl.nasa.gov/</a> ); Anya Biferno ( <a href="mailto:anya.a.biferno@jpl.nasa.gov">anya.a.biferno@jpl.nasa.gov</a> )	Middle and High School Students and Teachers	Help refine presentation materials through use of standardized presentations and materials, and evaluation efforts.	1-2 hours per classroom presentation
	Enhancing Public Participation in NASA's Search for Habitable Worlds; Sue Sunbury ( <a href="mailto:ssunbury@cfa.harvard.edu">ssunbury@cfa.harvard.edu</a> )	General public and informal educational professionals	Contribute to an online community of astronomy enthusiasts discovering exoplanets using the MicroObservatory online telescopes; answer questions or comment on ideas from the group and/or post information about your exoplanet projects.	2-3 hours per month
<b>Galaxies</b>	"Big Ideas" project + Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope ( <a href="http://grtep.com">http://grtep.com</a> ); Lynn Cominsky ( <a href="mailto:lynnc@universe.sonoma.edu">lynnc@universe.sonoma.edu</a> )	Undergraduate general education students	Help review the online curriculum for technical content. Field test modules as they are released (first module of 5 chapters is ready for field testing).	Technical review: 40 hours total. Field test: 20 hours per week for 5 weeks.
<b>Galaxies / Stars</b>	"Multiwavelength Astronomy" ( <a href="http://ecuip.lib.uchicago.edu/mwastromy/home.html">http://ecuip.lib.uchicago.edu/mwastromy/home.html</a> ); Julia Brazas ( <a href="mailto:julia@uchicago.edu">julia@uchicago.edu</a> )	Grades 9-12 students	Participate in an interview with E/PO staff focused on biographical and topical questions about your path into science, your current research and NASA mission involvement, etc, for a story-based lesson.	Interview: 0.5-1 hour (in person or by phone). Logistics+review of transcript:1 hour (on email).
<b>Multiple topics</b>	HEASARC E/PO Group ( <a href="http://imagine.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.html">http://imagine.gsfc.nasa.gov/index.html</a> ); Barb Mattson ( <a href="mailto:barb.mattson@nasa.gov">barb.mattson@nasa.gov</a> )	Grade 8-12 students and the public	Work with E/PO Professionals to review the Imagine the Universe! website for scientific accuracy and to update the information to reflect new and ongoing discoveries.	0.5-1 hour per webpage reviewed
	CosmoQuest ( <a href="http://CosmoQuest.org">http://CosmoQuest.org</a> ); Pamela Gay or Nicole Gugliucci ( <a href="mailto:cosmoquestx@gmail.com">cosmoquestx@gmail.com</a> )	Adults	Make presentations at our weekly seminar series (online, live via Google Hangouts on Air, archived on YouTube).	2 hours per event

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