

EBSSE Program Schedule

Sunday, June 1, 2014

Attendees may check in at the Talaris Center. Volunteers will be on hand to orient attendees to the property.

Attendees will arrive throughout the day. Meet and greet/free time until dinner.

- 6:30 P.M. Boxed dinners in the conference room lobby
- 7:30 P.M. Introductions: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 8:30 P.M. Free Time

Monday, June 2, 2014

- 7:30 A.M.: Breakfast in the conference room lobby. Volunteers will be on hand to orient attendees to the property.
- 8:30 A.M. Welcome and Introductions: Richard Ladner, Professor in Computer Science and Engineering, University of Washington and Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 9:15 A.M. Keynote: Natalie Shaheen, Director of Education, NFB Jernigan Institute
- 9:45 A.M. Advocacy in School and at Work: Dr. Jeremy Block, Assistant Professor in Health Evidence and Policy, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- 10:30 A.M. Break
- 10:45 A.M. Mindfulness: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 11:15 A.M. Career-Related Breakout Sessions: Go to the session that most closely matches your career path.
 - Biology and chemistry: Dr. Cary Supalo, Research Scientist, Dr. David Wohlers, Professor in Chemistry, Truman State University, and Dr. Mahadeo Sukhai, Biomedical Research Scientist, University Health Network (Canada)
 - Computer Science: Dr. Daehee Lee, Principal NLP Research Engineer, Nuance Communications Inc. and Sina Bahram, President, Prime Access Consulting
 - Engineering: Nathanael Wales, Civil Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Alysha Jeans, Forensic Audio Examiner, FBI

- Physics and Meteorology: Dr. Imke Durre, Physical Scientist, NOAA and Mat Bowers, Ph.D. Student in Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences, Purdue University
- 12:00 P.M. Lunch Buffet in the Dining Room
- 1:15 P.M. HELP! This Person is STEMPhobic: Sharing your Scientific and Technical Knowledge with Other Audiences: Ameenah Ghoston, IT Specialist, Defense Information Systems Agency
- 2:00 P.M. Breakout Sessions: Choose 1 regardless of career path.
 - Conducting Research Accessibly: Dr. Nicholas Giudice, Associate Professor in Spatial Informatics, University of Maine and Lindsay Yazzolino, Program Coordinator, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary
 - Computer Science Accessibility: Dr. Daehee Lee, Principal NLP Research Engineer, Nuance Communications Inc. and Sina Bahram, President, Prime Access Consulting
 - Lab Science Accessibility: Dr. Cary Supalo, Research Scientist, Dr. David Wohlers, Professor in Chemistry, Truman State University, and Dr. Mahadeo Sukhai, Biomedical Research Scientist, University Health Network (Canada)
 - Math Accessibility: Alysha Jeans, Forensic Audio Examiner, FBI and Mat Bowers, Ph.D. Student in Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences, Purdue University
- 2:45 P.M. Growing Your Brand through the Web and Social Media: Sina Bahram, President, Prime Access Consulting
- 3:15 P.M. Break
- 3:45 P.M. What is expected of me in the workplace? Natalie Shaheen, Director of Education, NFB Jernigan Institute and Dr. Cary Supalo, Research Scientist
- 4:30 P.M. Contemplative Movement: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 4:50 P.M. Blind Professionals Showcase: Computer Science: Dr. Daehee Lee, Principal NLP Research Engineer, Nuance Communications Inc.
- 5:10 P.M. Creating and Giving an Effective Presentation: Shiri Azenkot, PH.D. Candidate in Computer Science and Engineering, University of Washington
- 5:40 P.M. Interactive Wrap-Up, Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 6:10 P.M. Final Announcements, Cindy Bennett, Workshop Organizer, University of Washington
- 6:15 P.M. Adjourn: dinner on your own. We will provide guidance on nearby places and good eats around town.

Tuesday, June 3, 2013

- 7:30 A.M. Breakfast and Networking, get your breakfast from the lobby and take it in to the conference room
- 8:15 A.M. Reflections: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 9:00 Welcome: Dr. Richard Ladner, Professor in Computer Science and Engineering, University of Washington
- 9:15 A.M. Keynote: Dr. Nicholas Giudice, Associate Professor in Spatial Informatics, University of Maine
- 9:45 A.M. Active Listening: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 10:15 A.M. Coffee Break and Networking Contest
- 10:40 A.M. Sharing from networking activity: Cindy Bennett, Workshop Organizer
- 10:50 A.M. Blind Professionals Showcase, Civil Engineering: Water Resources in Government Service: Nathanael Wales, Civil Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- 11:10 A.M. Compassion Practice: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 11:40 A.M. Career Meet and Greet: Meet with professionals pursuing similar careers as you. Go to your career-related breakout session.
- 11:45 A.M. Staggered go to lunch with your breakout and continue networking
- 1:15 P.M. Introductions of leaders from industry, government, and academia
- 1:30 P.M. Blind Professionals Showcase: Shiri Azenkot, PhD student, on making a compelling presentation
- 1:50 P.M.: Blind Professionals Showcase: Dr. Imke Durre: Physical Scientist, NOAA
- 2:10 P.M. Networking TBD
- 2:30 P.M. Wrap-Up: Maia Duerr, Contemplative Practices Teacher
- 3:30 P.M.: Adjourn. Mingle and network with afternoon snacks and coffee in the lobby.

Be back at The Talaris Center 15 minutes before your scheduled ride to the airport!