UW-Whitewater Science Outreach Monthly Report, Anna Courtier July 21 – 31, 2014

## **Monthly Goals:**

The main goals for the outreach office in July 2014 focused on three primary areas: 1) the logistics of settling in to the new science outreach coordinator position; 2) networking and building relationships within UW-W; and 3) the establishment of a science outreach webpage to be hosted on the UW-Whitewater server, and meeting the Marketing and Media Relations requirements for the University, as well as presence on the web in other venues.

## **Accomplishments:**

- Logistical Issues
  - Keys
  - o ProCard & Corporate Card applications
  - o Financial overview from Joan Fox-Drake
  - o Informal meetings with Jolene Krahn re: outreach support
  - o Web/Technology overview from Matt Baier
  - o Driver Authorization and HR Forms
  - Contacted previous student assistants to gauge interest in program participation this year (Emily Thompson and Cody Schaefer)
- Web Development
  - New UW-W Science Outreach webpage: http://www.uww.edu/cls/scienceoutreach
    - To house long term resources for teachers, parents, current & prospective students, and community members
  - Updated Science Outreach blog: http://blogs.uww.edu/scienceoutreach
    - To be used for less frequent, longer descriptions of events, curriculum, student experience highlights
  - Updated Science Outreach Facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/uww.scienceoutreach
    - To be used for more frequent event updates, science/programming highlights
- Networking
  - Met with Paul Rybski (Observatory), Nic Tippery (Greenhouse),
    Delavan Community Learning Center staff (after school program),
    Melanie Schneider & Matt Vick (WITQ grant leadership team),
    Brazilian Scientific Mobility Program (via email), faculty members in Upham Hall.

- Proposals and Abstracts
  - o Submitted Wisconsin Science Festival Proposals
    - Astronomy Lecture and Public Viewing (10/17/2014; for Paul Rybski)
    - "Passport to Science" campus event (10/18/2014)
  - Submitted Geological Society of America abstract (co-author with Eric Pyle, JMU)
    - "Mastering the challenges of adolescent earth science and mathematics integration"
  - National Science Foundation Cooperative Studies of Earth's Deep Interior
    - Initiated grant transfer from JMU to UW-Whitewater
    - With Ron Fleischmann (UW-W) and John Hulvey (JMU)