

Developing Communication Skills for Postdocs - McCullough Supplemental Material

Pre-Training Survey

How did you hear about the Science Communication Fellowship?

Why are you interested in participating in the Science Communication Course and Fellowship program?

How comfortable do you feel talking about your research or related science with... (list of 5 types of audiences) [Not at all comfortable, Slightly comfortable, Moderately comfortable, Very comfortable, Extremely comfortable]

At this time, how interested are you in working with the following audiences, program formats, and delivery methods? (*list of 11 options relating to Pacific Science Center audiences and programs*) [*Not at all interested, Slightly interested, Moderately interested, Very interested, Completely interested*]

At this point in time, what if anything, are you concerned about with regards to completing the requirements of the Fellowship? Do you anticipate you will experience any challenges? If so, what?

What questions do you have before we get started?

Training Feedback Survey

While your mind is fresh and clear, what feedback do you have about your experience so far? People or activities that stood out? Tasks or content that didn't make sense?

How would you rate the following aspects of the Communication Course? (*list of 7 aspects of the course*) [Poor, Fair, Good, Excellent, Outstanding]

For items you rated poor, fair or good, what could we have done to improve?

We appreciate you making time to participate in the Course and we know the days and times may not have been ideal for everyone. How convenient were the day of week and time of day for you? [Inconvenient, Slightly inconvenient, Slightly convenient]

If you could choose your ideal days and times for an intensive 2-day series like this, what would they be?

Each class in the Course enabled you to learn and engage in informal science learning in different ways. Rate each class or activity on its usefulness to you. (list of 15 training activities) [Not at all useful, Slightly useful, Moderately useful, Very useful, Extremely useful]

Which specific activity did you find most useful and why?

Would you be interested in participating in any of these additional trainings (i.e. focused workshops)? (list of 7 potential training options) [Definitely, Maybe, Not at this time]

As a result of this Course, how equipped or prepared do you feel to engage in two-way communication with guests at the Science Center? [Not at all equipped, Slightly equipped, Moderately equipped, Very equipped, Completely equipped]

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Are there any other audiences you'd like to work with or programs that you'd like to be a part of?

What are you most excited to do with Pacific Science Center in the next year? Why?

At this point in time, what if anything, are you concerned about with regards to completing the requirements of the Fellowship? Do you anticipate you will experience any challenges? If so, what?

What if any aspects of this Course do you think you can/might apply to other areas of your life? Why?

Program Review Survey (relevant questions only)

Why do you volunteer with Pacific Science Center?

What have been the high points and low points of your Fellowship experience?

Which, if any, aspects of being a Fellow have you been able to apply to your life outside the Science Center?

Experience Survey

How would you rate your overall experience with the Fellowship program? [Poor, Fair, Good, Excellent, Outstanding]

Considering your public program experiences so far, and thinking back to what you remember of the Course training, what topics or activities stand out as having been particularly effective for you?

What recommendations to improve the Fellowship do you have for us?

What other feedback would you like to share about your Fellowship experience?

At this time, how interested are you in working with the following audiences? (*list of 4 types of audiences*) [Not at all interested, Slightly interested, Moderately interested, Very interested, Completely interested]

Are there any other audiences you'd like to work with?

Rank the order in which you are interested in working with the following program format/delivery methods. Select N/A if you are NOT at all interested in that program. (*list of 8 program options*)

Would you be interested in participating in any of these additional trainings (i.e. focused workshops)? (list of 7 potential training options) [Definitely, Maybe, Not at this time]

As a result of this Fellowship experience, how equipped or prepared do you feel to engage in two-way communication with guests at the Science Center? [Not at all equipped, Slightly equipped, Moderately equipped, Very equipped, Completely equipped]

What accomplishment or advancement have you been most proud of since you began the Science Communication Fellowship?

How, if at all, has this Fellowship experience impacted your life outside of presenting at the Science Center?