## T@M Weekly: February 23rd



### **Teach@Mines News**

### **Ice Cream Social:**

Please join us for an ice cream social to learn more about the three pathways Mines' offers to explore teaching licensure as an Oredigger, for the **chance to double your career options for life!** The event will include Liquid Nitrogen demos, a short presentation to bust myths about the teaching profession, info on Mines Minor in STEM Education, BS in Design Engineering with a STEM Teaching focus area, MS in STEM Education (Master's in just 1 year), and ways to get involved with teaching on campus. Feel free to stop by for all or part of the event!

If you have any interest in teaching at any point in your career, this is a great chance to learn more!

When: Tuesday, March 12th, from 5:30p-7pm

Where: CK140/150

RSVP: https://forms.gle/3BoGFRFF8XxcxuhZ9 (please RSVP by 3/10 for food count)

### TEA event with CO Department of Education and JeffCo Guest Speakers:

Join TEA (Teachers Education Alliance) for this opportunity for students interested in education to learn the Do's and Don'ts of being a first-year teacher! There will be two guest speakers: a member of the New Teacher Induction Team at Jeffco Public Schools and a Colorado Department of Education Recruitment and Retention Specialist. Come learn about navigating your early career in the classroom from the experts!

When: 02/28 4:30 - 5:30 PM

Where: CK 150

### **Cherry Creek Interview Fair:**

Registration has opened for Cherry Creek School District's February 24th interview fair starting at 9am. Slots are filling up FAST. This will be held at 14603 E. Fremont Ave, Centennial, CO.

Registered attendees will get the opportunity to have an in-person screening interview with a school administrator. This offers candidates a solid advantage for the upcoming 24-25 hiring season. You can click here for registration information, and to sign up for a spot.

### **Colorado Education Recruitment Fair (CERF):**

Join CERF for a comprehensive, day-long job fair dedicated to education. They're bringing together over 100 districts from across Colorado to facilitate meaningful face-to-face connections between prospective teachers and school district hiring officials. <u>Find more information or register for the event here.</u>

When: Saturday, March 2, 2024

Where: Mountain Ridge High School in Westminster, CO

**Cost**: \$15 (through 2/15)

### **Scholarship Opportunities**

### Office of Nationally Competitive Scholarships Open House:

Join the Office of Nationally Competitive Scholarships at our open house event to learn about how we support undergraduate students, graduate students, and alumni in applying to a variety of nationally competitive awards! We will have hot chocolate and cookies, activities, and good company. Mingle with scholarship recipients, interested students, staff, and faculty, grab a bite, and enjoy learning more about our opportunities. Nationally Competitive Scholarships is a program of University Honors & Scholars (UHS).

### **American Chemical Society Scholarship Opportunities:**

A series of scholarships from the American Chemical Association **opened on February 1st**, **and will close on May 1st**, **2024**. These scholarships provide Over \$2.5 million in scholarships and grants are awarded to 200+ high school chemistry teachers annually. The ACS-Hach Programs provide financial support to future and current high school chemistry teachers throughout the United States. From completing teaching credentials to obtaining support for classroom resources, chemistry teachers can count on ACS-Hach Programs to help them advance chemistry education for their students.

#### Scholarships of note include:

- ACS-Hach Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Scholarship: To support recent graduates
  and graduate students with limited work experience and an interest in becoming high
  school chemistry teachers.
- ACS-Hach Second Career Teacher Scholarship: To provide financial support for chemistry professionals to obtain a masters degree in education or teacher certification in chemistry.
- ACS-Hach Land Grant Undergraduate Scholarship: To provide financial support toward a chemistry undergraduate degree and chemistry teaching credentials at one of ACS's 72 partner institutions.

### **Other Opportunities**

### Are you a Junior interested in a paid summer research opportunity?

If you are a Junior and interested in doing research this summer (and getting paid), check out the 2024 STAR Program! Applications available now to Mines' students because T@M is a NSF Robert Noyce Scholarship program! A recent T@M alumni participated in this program and said that it was amazing!

### **Call for Science Fair Judges:**

Fairmount Elementary is looking for volunteers to judge their Science Fair! Join them on Friday, March 15th, from 2:00 to 2:45, as they celebrate the ingenuity of their students and make a meaningful difference in their students' learning journey. If you are interested in this entertaining activity, please email Angie at <a href="mailto:Angie.Sparano@ieffco.k12.co.us">Angie.Sparano@ieffco.k12.co.us</a>.

### Discover Early Childhood Learning with You be You Early Learning!

You be You Early Learning (YbY) is a nonprofit, teacher-led cooperative and mobile preschool dedicated to providing accessible and affordable high-quality, inclusive early childhood programming for historically marginalized and underserved communities in the Denver metro area. YbY aims to lay the foundation for Kindergarten preparedness through their innovative STEAM Science program.

### Engage with YbY by:

- Attending weekly Lesson Planning sessions
- Observing student learning on the Mobile Bus
- Creating STEM activities for 3-5 year olds in the YbY classroom
- Being a Guest Speaker/Presenter for students
- Joining weekly Professional Development sessions
- Facilitating Professional Development sessions
- Participating in Field Trips
- Volunteering for the Fall and/or Spring Festival or the Summer Literacy Program

If you are interested in learning more or engaging with YbY, please contact them directly at <a href="mailto:info@youbeyouearlylearning.org">info@youbeyouearlylearning.org</a>.

### **Undergrad Research Opportunity Worth \$8,450:**

The Department of Engineering Education at Utah State University will hold a ten-week summer Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) program starting May 13, 2024, to provide undergraduate students in a science, technology (including engineering technology), engineering, or mathematics (STEM) discipline with intensive experience in engineering education research, such as how learners' experience, background, and perception play a role when they learn engineering knowledge and skills.

The central theme of the REU program is "Problem Solving in Engineering Education." The program will be conducted in two phases: Phase 1 – Pre REU Site Program (May 13 – 24, 2024); and Phase 2 -REU Site Program (May 28 – July 19, 2024). Phase 1 consists of preparatory and foundational work that will be conducted at the participant's own educational institution/home-base and through distance mentoring, Phase 2 will be conducted at USU campus in Logan and will be face-to-face. This REU Site program is carefully designed to offer opportunities for each REU participant to engage in authentic and funded research tasks, both individually and collaboratively, as well as an opportunity to gain experience in managing the team project deliverables.

Each REU student will receive up to \$8,450, including 1) a stipend of \$6,000, 2) a housing and meal allowance of \$1,700, and 3) up to \$750 for a round-trip airfare ticket to travel between their distant location and USU. The applicants must be at least 18 years old by the time the program starts on May 13, 2024, must be a citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States, must be an undergraduate student who will not graduate before September 1, 2024 with a good academic standing in a professional undergraduate program in science, technology (including engineering technology), engineering, or mathematics.

The deadline of application is March 8, 2024. Interested students must submit applications online via <a href="https://engineering.usu.edu/eed/reu/application">https://engineering.usu.edu/eed/reu/application</a>. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Oenardi Lawanto at <a href="mailto:olawanto@usu.edu">olawanto@usu.edu</a> or Dr. Wade Goodridge at <a href="mailto:wade.goodridge@usu.edu">wade.goodridge@usu.edu</a>.

#### **Opportunities in Taiwan:**

Here are two scholarship awards tailored for dedicated advisors and established educators. These programs offer unique opportunities to develop professionally as well as further engage and contribute to the vibrant English teaching community in Taiwan:

### FSE English Teacher Trainer Program - TEFL Advisor Scholarship

**Duration**: 11 months (August 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2025)

**Description**: This program empowers qualified TEFL teachers or professors to serve as Academic Advisors for Fulbright English Teaching Assistants (ETAs) and English Teaching Flagship (ETF) participants. Advisors play a crucial role in creating a thriving English teaching environment in Taiwan through visits, observations, consultatins, and coordination.

# FSE English as a Medium of Instruction (EMI) Specialist & Teacher Trainer Program - EMI Advisor Scholarship

**Duration**: 6 or 11 months (Please refer to the attachment.)

**Description**: Designed for experienced EMI instructors or professors, this program allows advisors to support English teaching assistants in ETA and ETF programs, EMI instructors, and teaching assistants in enhancing the quality of EMI courses. Advisors contribute to the

internationalization of academic programs in Taiwanese universities through visits, observations, consultations, and coordination.

There is also the ETF Program, which continues to offer a unique blend of professional development and cultural immersion for both experienced teachers and recent college graduates.

### **FSE X MOE English Teaching Flagship Awards**

**Duration**: 11 months (August 1st, 2024 – June 30th, 2025)

**Description**: This program, in partnership with Taiwan's Ministry of Education, offers a unique blend of professional development and cultural immersion for educators. It's known for robust support systems, expert training advisors, abundant cultural exchange opportunities, and daily assistance. We had an \*information session on January 8th, 2024, you could access the recording on YouTube by clicking on the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JPrJvteliUM Additionally, we have attached the slides used during the information session to this email for your reference.

The application deadline for all the aforementioned grants is March 8th, 2024 (UTC/GMT+8:00, Taiwan time); kindly submit applications through our application portal. Should you have any inquiries or need further information, please feel free to contact Ashley Weibel at <a href="mailto:ashley.weibel@mines.edu">ashley.weibel@mines.edu</a>.