

SMS Connects

March 2019



Time to SHOW you care!

Dear Sun Devil,

This year we ask you to reflect on your time here at SMS, what are some of the things that made you proud to be a student here? Maybe it was your professors who helped you in the classroom or with research? Or was it the campus and the resources you had? Or maybe it was the friends you made during your time here?

At SMS, we believe that our students, who, after graduation, go on to represent the School in all corners of the world, are our most important community members. This year on Sun Devil Giving Day you can show your support for the students who are following in your footsteps as well as your alma mater.

Sun Devil Giving Day 2019 is March 21. Are you ready?

Click below to see messages from SMS faculty, staff and students:

<https://youtu.be/fq9J2rmNMIY>



On March 21, [click here to make a gift to SMS students](#), every gift of \$5 or more makes a difference to our School!

Because of your support...

We were able to provide scholarships to our most deserving students.



"Having a scholarship allows me to focus on my studies and not worry about having to work extra to pay for books or supplies for my classes. Your generosity provides an opportunity where there might not otherwise be one"- Joseph Ripsam.



"I work hard to foster representation and inclusivity in science through outreach. It was an honor to receive the Women in Science scholarship in its inaugural year and it has been a major source of encouragement and support for me."- Madeleine Howell.

Women in Science, Make a Difference!

Remember the video from last years' Women in Science project? This video highlighted many of our wonderful female graduates, including you! We invite you to watch this video again.

<https://youtu.be/Pj3dimleAKo>



Student Highlight

Scholarship paves way for marine corps veteran to earn a 4+1 degree



Tyler Rockwood is finishing up his 4+1 master's degree in biochemistry and medicinal chemistry in the School of Molecular Sciences at Arizona State University. He was the recipient of the Wayne W. Luchsinger Chemistry Scholarship, an award that gives preference to veterans of one of the U.S. military services.

In 2010, Rockwell was deployed to Afghanistan, where he was part of a convoy security platoon. That experience changed him more than his other time in the military — and in a better way than he could have imagined. “It taught me to be confident in myself and my decisions, and helped me become comfortable with the person I am,” said Rockwell. “It’s also the reason I have the work ethic I have now, which has helped me get to where I am.”

[read more](#)

Spring 2019 Eyring Lecture and Reception - You are invited



Sustainable Energy Materials from First Principles

Thursday, March 21, 2019
6:30 PM PSH-153
Dean Emily Carter
Princeton University

We invite our alumni to attend a Wine and Cheese Reception for the Eyring Lecture, Thursday, March 21, 5:00 PM- 6:00 PM at University Club Traditions Room, please send RSVP email to asusms@asu.edu by Tuesday, March 19 if you plan to join us.

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ASU alumnus honors Ted Brown's memory by endowing a scholarship



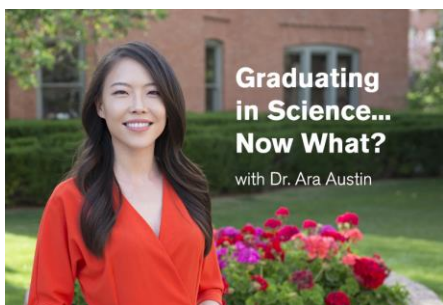
ASU alumnus Brian Rasley, now an associate professor at the University of Alaska Fairbanks in the department of chemistry and biochemistry, has endowed an ASU scholarship in honor of Emeritus Professor Ted Brown.

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Research Highlights...

- [Plucky science: Researchers' nanotweezers used in detection of conformational changes](#)
 - [Conducting research: Exploring charge flow through proteins](#)
 - [ASU research collaboration is expanding design strategies in structural DNA nanotechnology](#)
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SMS Career Advice Podcasts



SMS is launching a career-focused podcast to help our students in science programs to get more relevant advice about different career paths. Join Dr. Ara Austin as she interviews various individuals with science degrees who work in diverse career fields. We are hoping to upload new content every 2-4 weeks, so please stay tuned! Visit: <https://sms.asu.edu/podcast>.

SMS Students Are Amazing!

Did you know that we published a series of profiles on some of our amazing undergraduate students in the molecular sciences? You can read some interesting stories about six of our current students, Gabriel Juarez, Zoe Liberman-Martin, Humza Zubair, Nan Qiu, Charlie Amador, and Sabrina Leung, on our [Undergraduate Experience](#) page.

SMS Openings

As always, all job postings from faculty positions, instructor positions, student jobs, to non-ASU positions are listed on our [Employment Opportunities](#) page.

Please feel free to contact asusms@asu.edu at any time with questions, concerns, or suggestions. You can visit our website at sms.asu.edu or connect with us by liking our [Facebook page](#)!

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