LU Recruiters Road Show

September 30, 2010

Patrick Robertson

Number of STAIRSTEP participants: 13

Names of STAIRSTEP participants: Jennifer Robertson, Nick Brandes, Patrick Robertson, Milagro Egeono. Other names are not available as there is no blank on the participant feedback form for one. There were four physics students, one computer science student, three mathematics students, four earth science students and one student from the INSPIRED program.

Number of INSPIRED participants: 1

Names of INSPIRED participants: Not available.

Event Description: The event’s purpose was to show the STAIRSTEP recruiters what the STAIRSTEP students have in mind for outreach focused events that would be done at local high schools or on campus. It was a good opportunity for the STAIRSTEP students to practice their public speaking skills. Students also had an opportunity to discuss their own ideas for outreach programs in the future. Most students felt that more time was needed than we had at the meeting. Students were happy to hear what the other departments were up to. One student noted that career days at high schools may not be quite enough time to expose students to STAIRSTEP, but doing presentations in classrooms would allow more time and focused attention. Some students noted that a few of the presentations needed a bit more preparation before they’d be ready for the classroom. I feel that it was helpful to get the “public speaking hebejeebies” out of the way in front of peers rather than having to give the presentation for the first time in a classroom of high school kids.