Sponsored by the WSU Office of Research

Under the leadership of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and APLU have designed an exciting opportunity for upper-class undergraduate and graduate students in science, mathematics, and engineering disciplines to learn about science policy and advocacy. The Making our CASE (Catalyzing Advocacy for Science and Engineering) program is open to universities that would like to provide an opportunity for their students to come to Washington, DC, and learn about science policy. Students who are selected by their institution to participate in the workshop will spend a few days in Washington learning about the structure and organization of Congress, the federal budget and appropriations process, and tools for effective science communication and civic engagement.

WSU Office of Research will sponsor up to two students and will pay the $125 registration fee per student, as well as all associated travel and lodging costs. In addition, each sponsoring university is responsible for scheduling visits to Capitol Hill for their students, and are encouraged to accompany the participating students during those Congressional visits.

This will be the third year for Making our CASE. The first two years were a great success; to read the reactions from the students who participated in the inaugural event, see this AAAS story. For additional details about the Making our CASE Workshop, please go to http://www.aaas.org/case.

Eligibility:
To be eligible to participate students must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate (upper-class) or graduate degree program in one of the following fields: Biological, physical, or earth sciences; Computational sciences and mathematics; Engineering disciplines; Medical and health sciences; and Social and behavioral sciences.
Preference will be given to students with limited experience and knowledge of science policy and advocacy, and who demonstrate strong communication and leadership skills.

Application:
• Resume (1 page)
• 1 page application with the following sections:
  o Student Name, Email, Phone, Institution, Department, Major, Year of Study
  o Why are you interested in this workshop?
  o Describe your communication and leadership skills. Provide examples as appropriate.
WSU deadline: Feb 8
Please send applications to: case.ogrd@wsu.edu