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## **ASM Biology Scholars Program Transitions Residency Announces 2014-2015 Scholars**

Washington, D.C. (September 2, 2014) — The American Society for Microbiology (ASM) is pleased to announce the selection of six biologists to participate in the 2014-2015 ASM-NSF Biology Scholars Program Transitions Residency. As a national leadership initiative that seeks to improve undergraduate biology education based on evidence of student learning, the Biology Scholars Program has gathered more than 260 Scholars to create and disseminate examples of scholarship in teaching in biology. These examples have been made possible through the program's three residency programs — the Assessment, Research, and Transitions Residencies.

The yearlong Transitions Residency helps Scholars “transition” from conducting scholarly work in student learning to beginning the steps necessary for publication in biology and/or science education venues. Scholars attend the intensive From Science Education Research to Publication Institute in Washington, D.C., and receive close mentoring from the residency leadership team: Johann Krontiris-Litowitz of Youngstown State University, Marcy Kelly of Pace University, and Elisa Stone of the University of California, Berkeley. As editors of leading biology education journals, e.g., *CBE-Life Sciences Education*, the *Journal of Microbiology & Biology Education*, and *Advances in Physiology Education*, their backgrounds are ideal for helping Scholars navigate the researching and publishing process, including identifying appropriate venues for publication and developing and submitting manuscripts.

ASM congratulates the Scholars of the 2014-2015 Transitions Residency:

- **Laurence Clement**, University of California, San Francisco
- **Ally Hunter**, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- **Claudette Davis**, George Mason University
- **Paula Soneral**, Bethel University
- **Paul Heideman**, College of William and Mary
- **Melissa Zwick**, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey

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Applications for the 2015-2016 Transitions Residency will be accepted through February 1, 2015. Learn more at [www.biologyscholars.org](http://www.biologyscholars.org).

*The ASM is the world's largest scientific society of individuals interested in the microbiological sciences. Its mission is to advance the microbiological sciences as a vehicle for understanding life processes and to apply and communicate this knowledge for the improvement of health and environmental and economic well-being worldwide.*

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