Each semester SCAMP students participate in several community outreach projects that help improve and give back to Charleston’s community. In the spring semester SCAMP students volunteered for the Charleston’s STEM Festival, Lady Cougar STEM Day, Darwin Weeks, Accepted Student Weekend and at the MUSC Urban Garden.

### School of Science and Mathematics Poster Session
The School of Science and Mathematics hosts a poster session in the Spring Semester of each year that allows students to present research they have conducted. At the 29th Annual SSM Poster Session many SCAMPers were able to present research that they had the opportunity to work on during the previous Summer and/or academic year. The event was held on Thursday April 12 2018 on all three floors of the School of Science and Mathematics Building. Awards were given to the best poster in subjects including: biology, chemistry, biochemistry, physics and astronomy. SCAMPers Sondrica Goines, Alyssa Johnson, Wendell Roberson, Jabbarrius Ervin, Gunther Martin and Victoria Bailey all presented research at the SSM Poster Session.
Research Boot Camp

SCAMP students are encouraged to participate in undergraduate research, and a key aspect of obtaining those opportunities is having a competitive application. Thus, the STEM/SCAMP Research Boot camp program was organized on Saturday, January 26th, to enable students to craft effective personal statements, resumes and CV.

Workshop Session I “Effective Personal Statements for Internships and Fellowships” was presented by Dr. A. Vander Zee and Dr. E. Meyer-Bernstein. Workshop Session II “Resume/CV Design” was presented by the Executive Director of College Career Center Jim Allison.

ExCEL Awards

Each year the College of Charleston Office of Multicultural Student Programs and Services (MSPS) hosts the Excellence in Collegiate Education and Leadership (ExCEL) Awards. ExCEL Award nominees and recipients embody a special commitment and promotion of diversity across the College of Charleston campus. The 2018 ExCEL Awards honored more than 30 students, staff, faculty and community members selected from more than 120 nominations for their commitment to creating a campus environment that promotes diversity and excellence. LS-SCAMP had 4 ExCEL award winners recognized for their exemplary scholarship and service to the College of Charleston: Sondrica Goines, Victoria Baliley, Sophia Emetu and Omar Valencia.
Speakers

At each SCAMP meeting, there is a local speaker, either from around the Charleston area or from the College, who present their research. Speakers expose the students to the research opportunities around them. This Spring 2018, we have had the following guest speakers:

Dr. Bob Podolsky
Associate Professor, Department of Biology
Director, Grice Marine Laboratory, College of Charleston
Research Interests: Life-history evolution and ecology of invertebrate larvae.

Dr. Allison Welch
Associate Professor, Department Chair, Department of Biology
Director, Undergraduate Environmental and Sustainability Studies, College of Charleston
Research Interest: Amphibians in a changing world: environmental stress and the future of frogs

Dr. Alex Kasman
Professor, Department of Mathematics, College of Charleston
Research Interest: Mathematical applications to physics

Dr. Melissa Hughes
Professor and Associate Chair, Department of Biology
Research Interests: Animal behavior in birds and crustaceans

Dr. Jay Forsythe
Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
Research Interests: Chemistry and origins of life

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