

INCLUSIVE ASTRONOMY



OCTOBER 2024



Past Month Recap

Inclusive Astronomy is back again for the Fall 2024 semester! We kicked off the start of the semester and welcomed new graduate students with an affinity group lunch.

The affinity group held its first **vision board night** on September 26th, encapsulating the unique and diverse perspectives of our graduate students on paper.

September 28th marked our largest and most interactive **#science-train** to date, with graduate students from 1st through 4th years participating.

Graduate students shared their past experiences with undergraduates in an **"Applying to Graduate School"** panel with BUAS on October 2nd.

Future Meetings

October 22: 11:30am-1pm
Affinity Group Lunch

October 29: 11:30am-12:30pm
General Meeting

November 21-22
Invited Speaker Tom Rice



IA and BUAS grad panel!

Upcoming



Science Train

will take place once a month. CAS Communications Office has reached out about covering our science train and we would love to see new faces aboard if you can make it. Look for future dates and details in the IA slack channel, #science-train.

ASTRO365

aims to encourage students at historically disadvantaged high schools to pursue astronomy or STEM-related careers. The next ASTRO365 interactive night will take place on **December 6th**. If you'd like to volunteer, email Emma Lovett (elovett@bu.edu), and keep an eye on the IA slack channel, #astro365, for more information.

Outreach Opportunities

- Have you ever signed up for Open Night, excited to do outreach, but cloudy weather cancels it? Give a talk instead! Sign up [here](#) for potential dates to give a 15-20 minute outreach talk to Open Night attendees in the event of cloudy skies. Contact Brackney Pickett (npick42@bu.edu) for any questions or suggestions.
- Attendees of the last IA general meeting began brainstorming ideas for outreach to the local Native American community around the Perkins Telescope Observatory. Follow the IA slack channel, #perkins-outreach, to get involved.
- Try Skype a Scientist: an organization that matches scientists to students in classrooms to hold Q&A sessions via video chat. Connect with students all around the US and internationally.

TO DO

- ★ Join the [IA Slack](#) and specific channels of interest! (#astro365, #science-train, #eclipses, #perkins-outreach)
- ★ Let us know if you would like to join the affinity group!
- ★ Fill out the [Volunteer Inquiry Form](#) to be matched with projects you may be interested in.
- ★ Fill out the [Volunteer Search Form](#) to describe outreach project that you would like volunteers for!