CEGSS Biology Symposium
CEGSS is proud to announce the official launch of the CEGSS Biology Symposium, headed by Will Matthaeus. This event is designed for graduate students by graduate students. We want to celebrate the amazing work Bio’s grad students put into their research, their teaching, and their work in outreach. Participation in the CEGSS Symposium is a unique chance to help one another prepare for conferences while also promoting cohesion and collaboration within the Department.

The event will be held May 6th from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, and we will provide a light breakfast, lunch, and coffee aplenty. You also may have seen the call for abstracts. Please review the email for abstract information, including presentation format and content details. Abstracts are due Friday 3/1, and we will announce posters and talks by Friday 3/15. Please submit abstracts to cegss@baylor.edu.

Social Events
At last kickoff event, there was a request for tie-dying lab coats, and we think that’s a great idea! CEGSS leadership is in the planning stages and we have begun a plan to research the best way to do that. Because this will take some time (we welcome any volunteer support or knowledge on dying lab coats), and we miss all of you, we are hosting a movie night on Saturday 2/9. Please see the RSVP link to the right for more info!

CEGSS Swag
The 2018-19 school year was the year of CEGSS’ inception and development. We celebrated with calendars featuring our amazing grad students and their pets—who doesn’t love a good cat pic? For the next school year, we want to keep the tradition going, but we want to know what YOU would like. Please click the survey image to let us know!

Spring Speaker
Each semester, CEGSS brings in a speaker, nominated by the graduate students. Unlike the department seminar, we are not limited by the speaker’s background. We can bring in a K-12 teacher, a science communicator, a government worker, etc. Whoever you are interested in hearing from! Last semester, we were lucky to secure Dr. Julienne Rutherford, who spoke to us about sexual harassment in and out of the field. This semester, we’d like to focus on a speaker from a smaller university, who may not receive as many speaking engagements, or from an area of study we do not typically hear from. Let us know your suggestions by next Friday; either email us or fill out the survey (click the image).

UPCOMING EVENTS
Mark your (CEGSS) calendars for the events this month:

- SEMESTER KICKOFF MOVIE NIGHT
  Sat. 2/9 at 6pm
  Dani’s House
  RSVP

- WEBSITE BUILDING WORKSHOP PT 2
  2/28 2:30pm
  E.234
  RSVP emailed soon!

- CAREER / PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY
  2/8 from 11-2
  Free food!
  RSVP

Your voice matters!
Just a reminder that everyone is welcome at CEGSS meetings. We want to hear your voice and implement your ideas. We are an organization designed to promote and serve our department’s grad community; help us help you!

Humblebrag
Last semester, the department was asking for you to report your accomplishments, and we love that idea! We want to hear about the amazing things our peers are doing. Share your awards, presentations, skills, etc.!