

Hello, my name is Amy Brunner, and I work for the Center for Nanotechnology Education and Utilization (CNEU) at Penn State University.

We are very excited to announce “Nano Days at Penn State,” which is an upcoming state wide event on Saturday April 4th, 2009. We will be holding the event at the Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel in State College, PA. Our target audience for this event is high school juniors and seniors and their families, but we also welcome and encourage teachers, administrators, guidance counselors, and college level students to attend. We will be highlighting our two and four year nanotechnology-related degree programs across the state of Pennsylvania. We will also be offering tours of our labs, hands-on activity booths, lunch, presentations, and scholarship details. Please share this announcement so that everyone may have the opportunity to join us for this FREE event by registering online at www.nano4me.org/PaNMT by March 20th. Details about the day are in the “News and Events” section of this website, but please contact me at abrunner@engr.psu.edu or 814-865-8977 if you have any questions! I’m here to help.

My Center works with over 30 colleges and universities in Pennsylvania that offer nanotechnology-related degrees, who send students to our facility for one semester of hands-on technical training in micro- and nanofabrication as part of their degree programs. Students spend their first three semesters at their “home” college gaining fundamental knowledge and then come to University Park for their final semester of training. Students can then graduate and apply for jobs or articulate into four year degree programs that have already been arranged at participating universities, often finishing their four year degree in just two additional years! Students who have already earned a four year degree can also attend the semester at Penn State to gain nanofabrication skills that will make them more competitive for jobs and graduate school opportunities. This training can be applied to many different industries and 72 companies in Pennsylvania to date, have hired our graduates. More information about this program can be obtained by registering for “Nano Days at Penn State” and visiting our website at www.nano4me.org/PaNMT.

The CNEU was recently awarded a National Science Foundation Grant and we were given the title of *National Science Foundation Advanced Technological Education (ATE) National Center*. We now are supporting the development of two-year degree programs, similar to ours, across the United States. This is recognition of the leadership role that Pennsylvania has in nanotechnology education at the undergraduate level. It is very important that students across Pennsylvania have the opportunity to learn about the exciting nanotechnology educational and career opportunities that are available to them across the entire state. I would like to direct you to www.nano4me.org for more information about this national center, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

If you are a teacher, administrator, guidance counselor, parent or student that is looking to increase your awareness of nanotechnology opportunities, please join us for this exciting day. Thank you very much for your time and I look forward to meeting you on April 4th at “Nano Days at Penn State”!

NanoDays



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Discover your pathway to 2 and 4 year nanotechnology related degrees through your local Community College, PASSHE Universities, and Penn State University.

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Are you interested in a science, engineering, or technology related career?

Come learn what a nanotechnology related degree can do for you!

To learn more visit our website and register for this event by March 20th.

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What's included in the day?

- ◆ Do hands-on activities
- ◆ Meet other PA students
- ◆ Get career information
- ◆ Join us for lunch
- ◆ Get info on scholarships
- ◆ Go inside a cleanroom



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