

Minutes from 10/8 AWM Meeting

Business:

Undergraduate study halls (contact [Sonali](#) or [Blanca](#) with questions)

Study halls will be different than previous years! They'll consist of two components.

1. Math major study hall:

What? Supportive study space for students in 300, 400, 500 classes.

When? Tuesday 5:30-7, Thursday 5-7

Where? CMU B006 (room next to the math study center).

2. Tutoring for 300, 327:

What? Tutoring for classes mostly taken by math majors.

When? Tuesday, from 5:30-7, or Thursday, 5-7, before their exam

Where? CMU B006 (room next to the math study center).

Advertised through professors who have been emailed and the AWM list.

“How to be an ally” event (contact [Sami](#) with questions)

We'll discuss what it means to be a good ally to underrepresented groups in academia. Our goal is to leave with a written statement which members of our student chapter of AWM support. Then we'll send this statement to national AWM.

Mentoring program (contact [Liz](#) with questions)

Our program pairs up undergrads with a graduate student to meet once or twice a quarter and talk about school, jobs, grad school, etc. [Undergrads](#) and [grads](#) sign up at your respective links!

Coffee with speakers (contact [Molly](#) with questions)

Come meet colloquium speakers and other visiting faculty over coffee! Our first speaker is [John Dabiri](#). We'll meet November 9th from 1:45-2:30. A sign up sheet will be sent out soon.

Brunch

Amy, Erin, (and maybe some else I forgot) will plan this quarter's brunch!

Swag (contact [Liz](#) with questions)

We have \$7 mugs and \$20 shirts, and also lots of cool pencils and stickers for free. You can pay through our [paypal](#).

Pumpkin carving

The group was enthusiastic about an event celebrating fall. Cameron, Blanca, and Molly will plan a pumpkin carving event!

Other fun event ideas

Watch a movie, go to a UW women's sports game (volleyball, basketball), hikes (maybe wait until end of winter quarter or start of spring quarter), roller skating, pumpkin decorating/ carving, trampoline gym, escape room

Other events this quarter

Mental health events: AWM will sponsor the math department's mental health event for the quarter! This quarter we'll discuss how to view success/ failure and how this affects our mental health.

WUMiMS potluck

Meeting activity: Professional introductions- Handshake tips and practice

Why? Underrepresented groups are often treated less professionally at academic events i.e people try to hug them instead of shaking their hand, don't acknowledge them in a group of people, give them finger grabs instead of proper handshakes. Introduce yourself with a proper handshake to set a good first impression and avoid these "awkward" intros!

What makes a good handshake: Firm, eye contact, be present, friendly, say your name, don't hold on too long, clean hands, "get in there with the thumb webbing".