

Education and Diversity (ED) in CMMAP



Feeding the Pipe

- By middle school, if students aren't interested in science, we've lost them ...
- **Strengthen Earth System Science education at all levels**
 - Science isn't a *body of knowledge*, it's *something you do!*
 - Curiosity, inquiry, real research
 - Teach new faculty how to teach
- Draw from the **diversity of the whole population** rather than only a portion



Strategy for Education

- Provide opportunities for students at **all levels** to engage in active learning of Earth Science and Climate by experimentation.
- Work with successful and well-established **partners in curriculum development, science communication, and multimedia** for maximum impact
- **Intervene early** to draw from the whole range of our diverse population
- **Link Education, Outreach, and Diversity** elements of the Center



Strategy for Education (cont'd)

- Structured **mentoring interactions** to bring science content to all levels, to help future educators **learn to be better teachers**, and to provide strong **role models** of a motivated, diverse population of young scientists
- Provide opportunities for current and future leading scientists to learn to be better teachers, both formally (through **pedagogical instruction**) and informally (through mentoring)

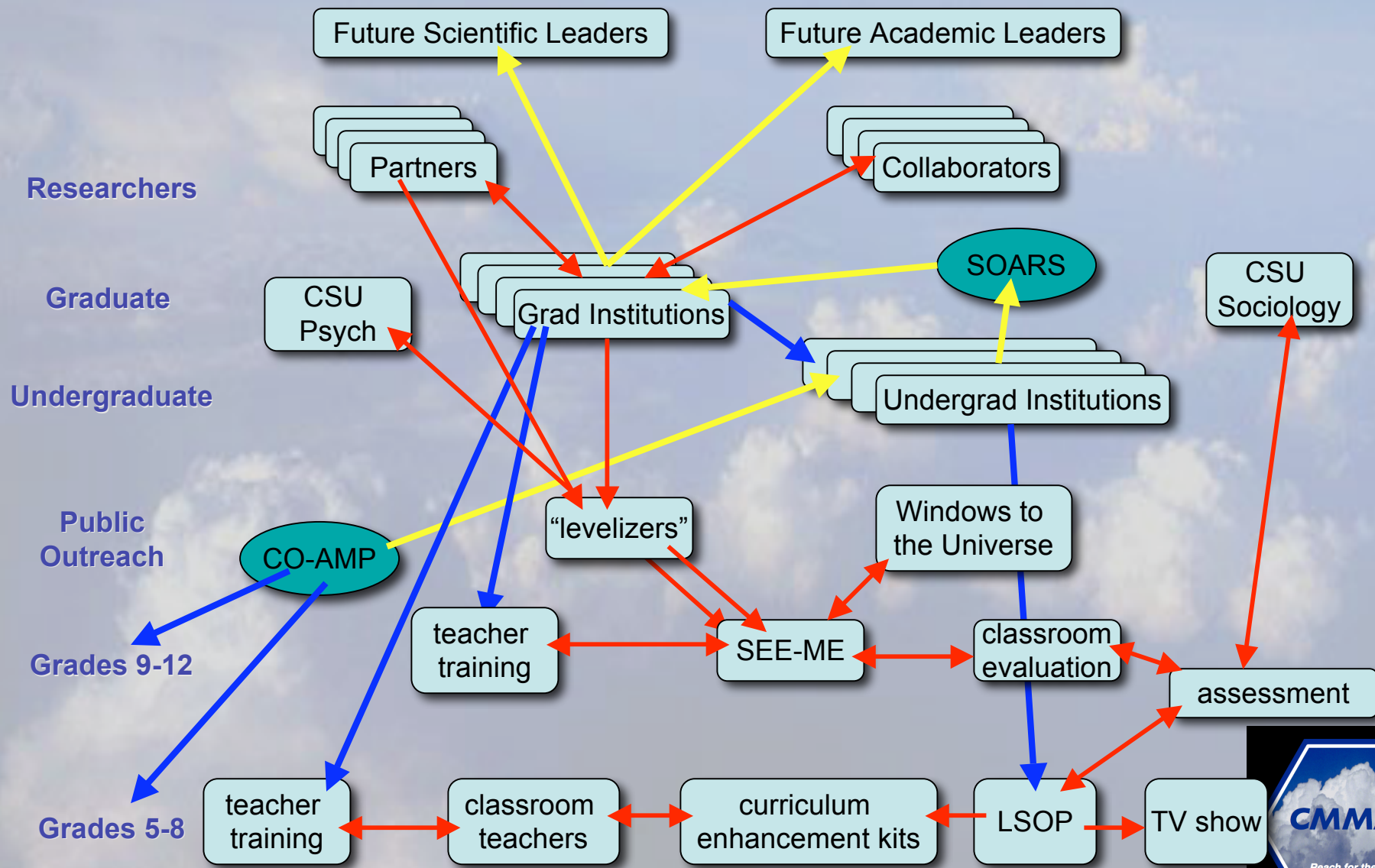


Strategy for Education (cont'd)

- Combine **curriculum development** and implementation with classroom **evaluation and formal assessment**
- Maintain active **communication across Center** components through an ED Committee, summer institutes, and twice-yearly meetings



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EDU Objectives (K-12)

1. Elementary & Junior High/Middle School (Team Leader: Brian Jones, CSU Physics)

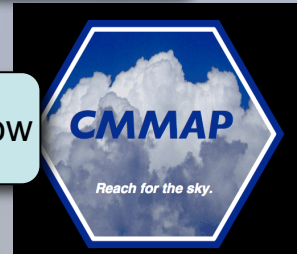
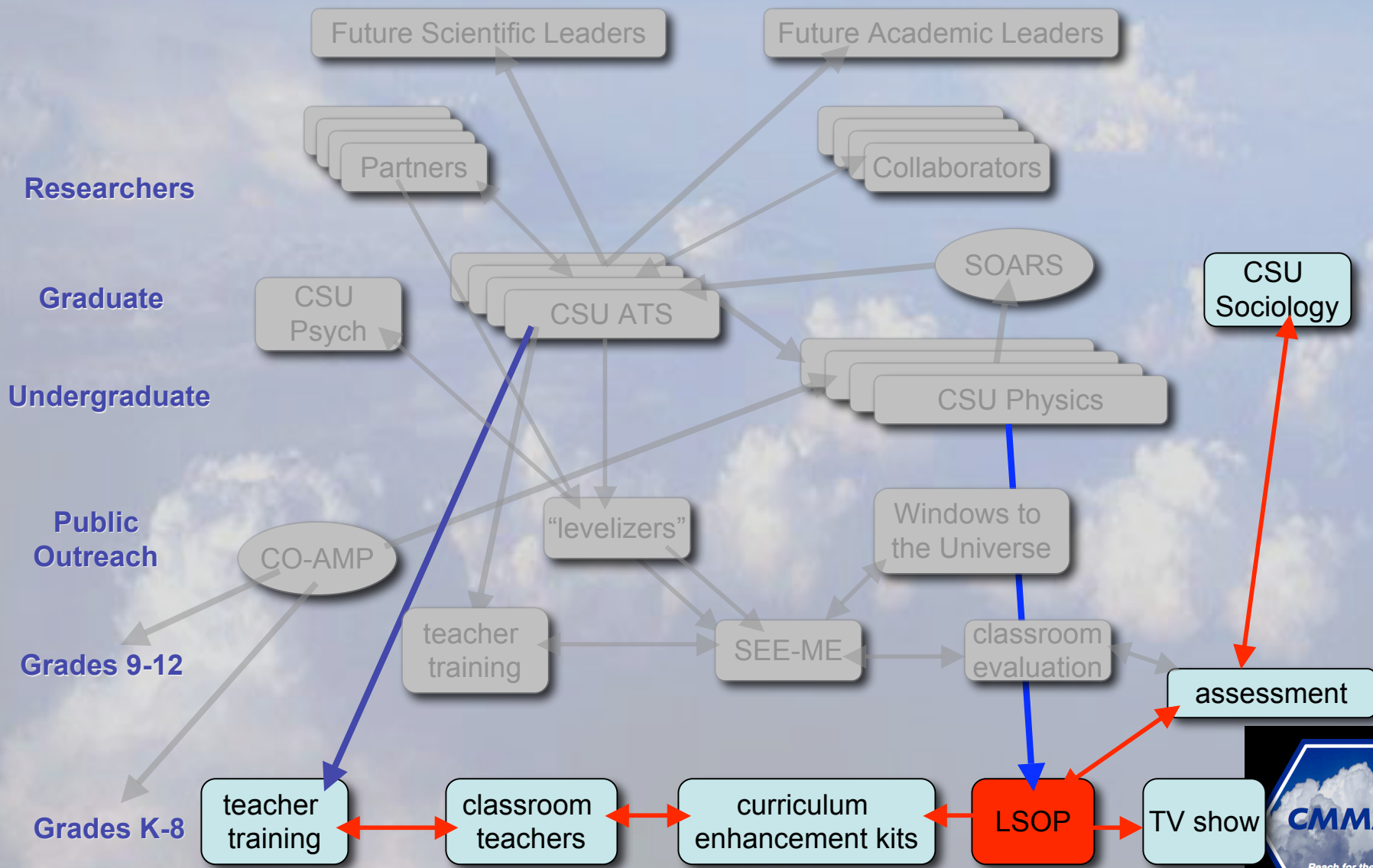
- Develop & test curriculum enhancement kits
- Climate content for Little Shop of Physics
- CSU Summer course for science teachers
- Evaluation & Assessment

2. High School Level (Team Leader: Scott Denning, CSU)

- Web-based modeling lab (SEE-ME)
- UCAR "Levelizers"
- Classroom evaluation
- CSU Summer course for science teachers
- Evaluation & Assessment



Obj 1: K-8 Curricula



Little Shop of Physics

Brian Jones (CSU Dept. of Physics)

Sheila Ferguson and Karen Hammann Poudre School District



Hands-On School Programs: 1 Year=

- 50 schools / 15,000 K-12 students
- 150 CSU students
- Special emphasis on rural & underserved populations



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Reach for the sky.

On the Air: Everyday Science

- Poudre School District
- Rocky Mountain PBS
- DVD series

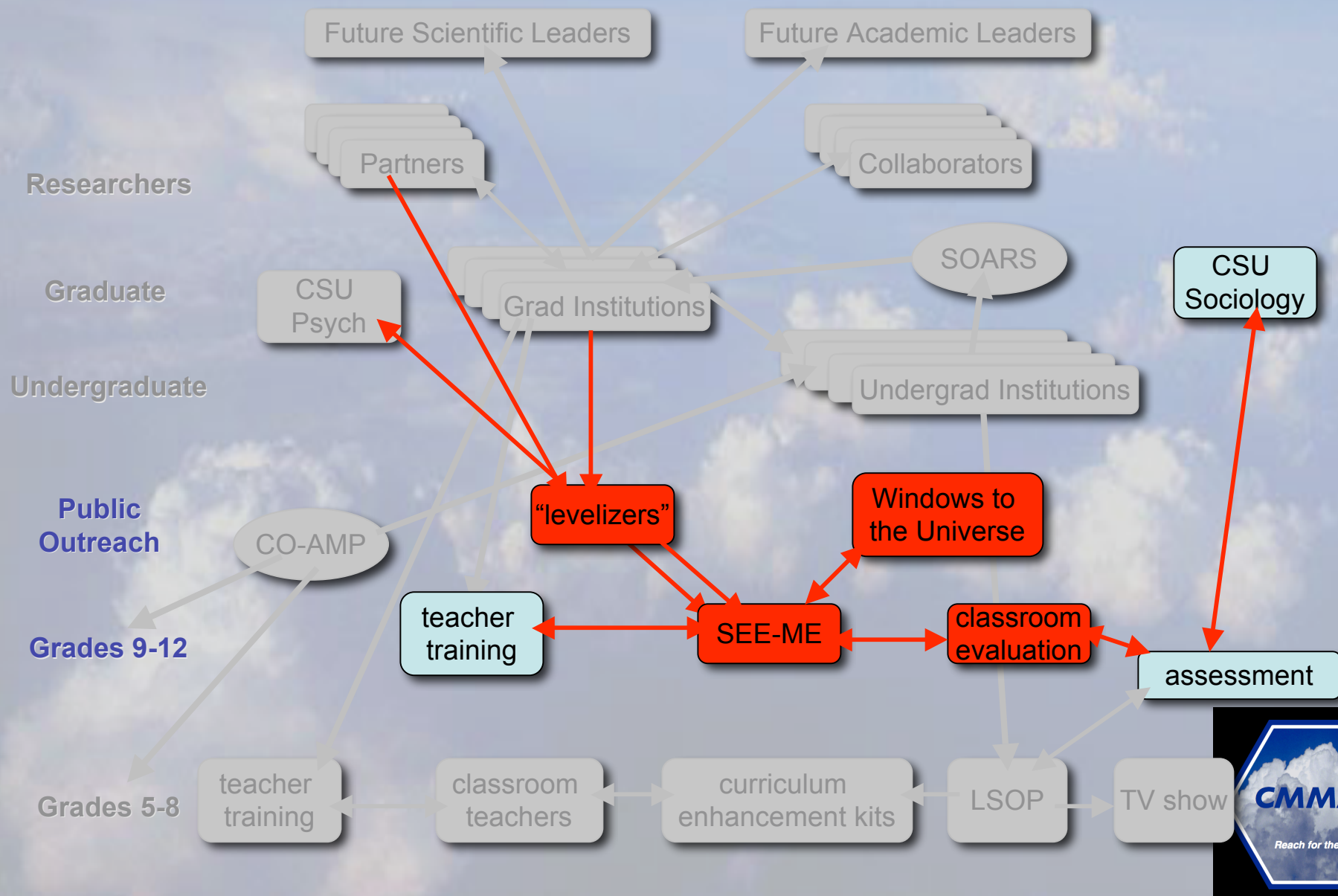


Teacher Workshops

- Current & Future Teachers
- 200+ Teachers Yearly
- International Connections



Obj 2 & 3: Secondary Ed & Web



SEE-ME

A STEM Educational Experience in Modeling the Earth System

- A web-based, interactive educational tool and resources
- Exploring clouds, weather, climate, and modeling
- Targeting grades 9 - 12, teachers, and the public
- Informed by sound pedagogy and scientific research
- Disseminated on Windows to the Universe web site
- CMMAP providing a new focus for our EO mission



EDU Objectives

(Public Outreach, Stakeholders & Policymakers)

3. Public Outreach through Web

(Team Leader: Susan Foster, UCAR)

- "Windows to the Universe"
- Science Communication Analysis

4. Stakeholders & Policymakers

(Team Leader: Lyn Kathlene, CIPP)

- White papers for stakeholders
- Summer workshops
- Short course on policy for CMMAP grad students





www.windows.ucar.edu

- Spans the Earth and space sciences, with arts and humanities connections
- Integrated classroom activities, interactives, and models
- Largest education and outreach venue at NCAR/UCAR, with millions of visitors per year (~100 million page views)
 - ~65% K-12 students, 25% in Spanish



Obj 4: Climate Stakeholders and Policymakers

- Colorado Institute for Public Policy (CIPP),
Dr. Lyn Kathlene, Director
- Convene 6-month working groups of
scientists and stakeholders to produce
“white papers” on climate and impacts with
local-regional focus (e.g., water, farming)
- Conduct educational “hands-on” workshops
for policy makers and the public
- Teach short course on policy process for
CMMAP graduate students



EDU Objectives

(Undergraduate and Graduate Education)

5. Undergraduate Climate Education

(Team Leader: Howard Drossman, CC)

- New climate courses
- Minority recruiting and retention

6. Graduate Education

(Team Leader: Scott Denning, CSU)

- Recruit excellent and diverse students
- Improved climate coursework
- Research at frontier of climate science

7. Teaching future teachers

(Team Leader: Scott Denning, CSU)

- Mentoring interactions
- LSOP internships
- Grad student involvement in teacher training
- Pedagogical research and instruction



Obj 5: Undergraduate Education

- Academic content in climate courses developed and tested at Colorado College (Prof. H. Drossman)
- Internships for MMAP grad students to teach these courses (block structure)
- Evaluation in classroom and through student achievement
- Dissemination of results through national pedagogical media



Obj 6: Graduate Education & Research

- The core of ED in MMAP, supporting 19 grad students each year at 5 institutions
- Cutting edge climate research in leading universities
- A diverse pool (HU, SOARS, AGEP, scholarships), with 6 to 8 students each year from underrepresented groups
- A new focus on pedagogy for graduate students in top research programs
- Very strong record of placement on climate faculties worldwide



Obj 7: Scientists as Good Teachers

- Pedagogical study as part of CMMAP graduate study
- CMMAP students work with Drossman to develop & teach at CC
- CMMAP students develop and teach content in teacher training courses
- CSU undergrads work as LSOP interns



Diversity Goals

- Support and matriculate graduate students whose gender and ethnic makeup reflect those of the US population
- Improve understanding of the structural barriers to gender and ethnic balance in science
- Encourage participation in science and engineering by women and minorities at all academic levels



Diversity Objectives

1. **Representative PhD Graduates to Climate Workforce** (Team Leader: Raj Pandja, UCAR)

- 2 grad fellowships & 3 summer interns through SOARS
- 2 PhD students at Hampton University
- 3 Summer internships for Hampton undergrads at CMMAP
- 2 minority scholarships at CSU ATS

2. **Minority Recruiting into Undergrad Science and Engineering** (Team Leader: Omnia El-Hakim, CSU)

- Present climate science through CO-AMP to ~ 400 minority high-school students each year
- Climate content at Catamount Institute (Colorado Springs)

3. **Women in Science Careers** (Team Leader: Scott Denning, CSU)

- Mentoring program pairing women grad students with local high-school students
- LSOP internships

4. **Study Diversity Problems & Solutions** (Team Leader: Silvia Canetto, CSU Psychology)

- Media portrayal of women in science
- "Longitudinal" study of women in science careers
- Assessment of McNair mentoring program



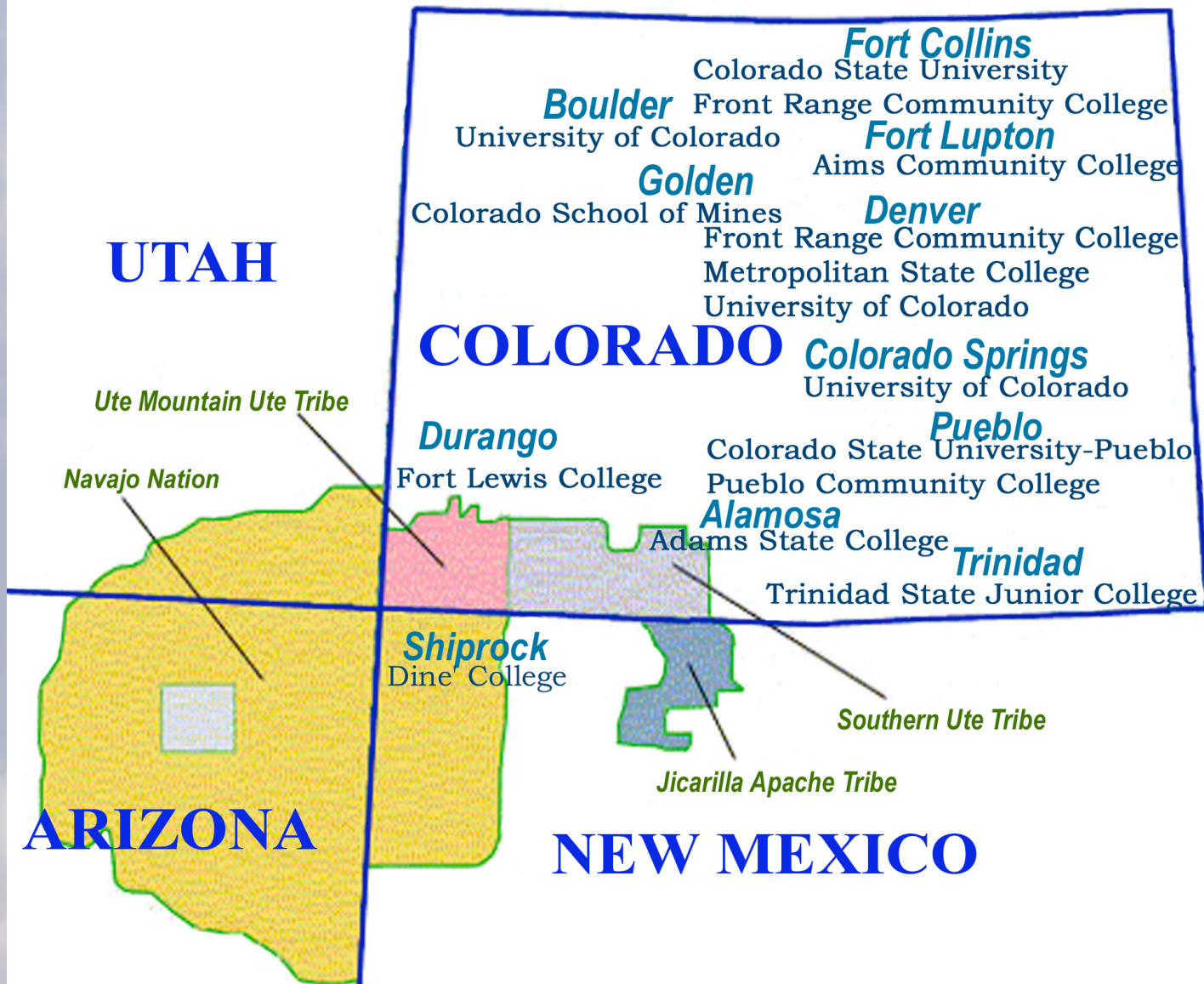
Obj 1 & 2: Academic Bridges

- High school to undergraduate bridge (CO-AMP, Catamount Institute)
 - Residential program recruits 400 students/year from underrepresented groups
 - Introduction to STEM opportunities and CSU community
 - Urban youth engaged in climate science as part of larger environmental program
- Undergraduate to graduate bridge (SOARS, AGEP)
 - Residential summer research internships
 - Community support
 - Graduate student research assistantships



Louis Stokes Colorado Alliance for Minority Participation

Serving Colorado and the Four Corners Region





Young Environmental Stewards Programs



- ❖ Science
- ❖ Technology
- ❖ Leadership



Obj 3: Women in Science Pipeline

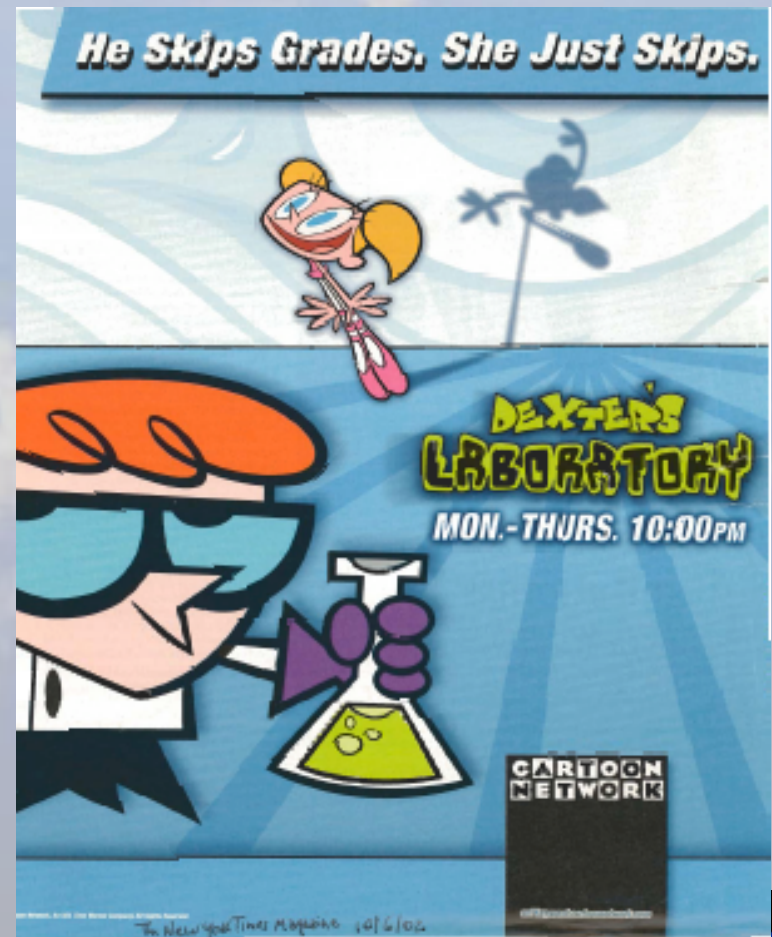
- Mentoring program pairs women graduate students with female high school students, to model success
- Women as LSOP interns



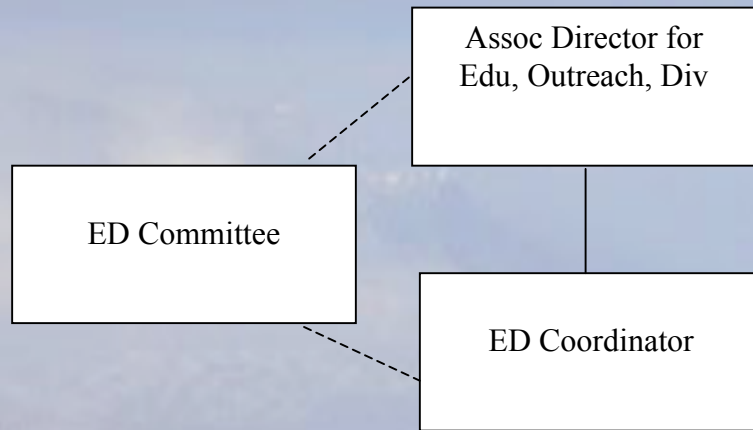
Obj 4: Understanding the Barriers

CMMAP Research on Diversity

- Gender and Science in Media (Canetto)
- Longitudinal study of barriers and successes for women in science careers (Canetto)
- Assessment of McNair mentoring program (McPhee)



Management Structure in ED



Education and Diversity elements of STC are managed as a single package

- Assoc. Director for ED serves on Executive Committee
- **Full-time ED Coordinator** manages day-to-day operations in collaboration with other STC administrative staff
- ED **Committee** provides oversight, and engages scientific talent through rotation



ED Coordinator

- Works with the Center Administrative Director and ED partners to **track performance** of component activities
- Organizes **twice yearly progress reports** from EOD partners
- Manages **communications among ED partners**, and between CMMAP scientists and ED resources
- Organizes **monthly telecoms** among ED partners and management
- Organizes and schedules ED component of **twice-annual CMMAP meetings**



Research - ED Communication

- Involve scientists in ED Committee
- Create a "results repository" to be mined by ED professionals
 - Web interface, easy to use
 - Graphics, animations, explanations, text
 - Actively managed by ED Coordinator, with frequent solicitations from all
 - Storehouse of materials for interpretation and use in labs, lectures, instructional material, outreach, web sites



ED Breakout Sessions

- Today 2 to 3:30
K-12, Public Outreach, Policymakers
- Tomorrow 10:30 to Noon
Undergrad and Graduate Education
- Thursday 9 to 10:30
Diversity



Preview of Breakout Sessions

- What will be done for each objective
- Who will do what
- Specific plans for the next 6 months
- Milestones and metrics
- Research and ED integration
- Communication, planning for telecons



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