SASES Tours | Baltimore, MD

Saturday, November 3, 2018

Tours will leave 7:00 AM from the Convention Center, and return approximately 4:00 PM.

Tours include snacks and lunch. Participants should eat breakfast before arriving to the tour. Detailed tour descriptions will be updated frequently online: acsmeetings.org/undergrads.

*Please note that these tour stops are subject to change as the planning process continues.

SASES Tour #1: Howard County
Howard County is known for its urban and rural spaces between rolling green hills. According to the Maryland Extension Service, 90% of the county is in the Piedmont Plateau (gently rolling hills) and 10% is in the Atlantic Coastal Plain (sandy soils). Conveniently located between Baltimore and Washington D.C., Howard County offers unique agriculture with many urban influences.

- Laurel Park
- Chesapeake Valley Seed
- Larriland Farm

SASES Tour #2: Baltimore County
According to Baltimore County Extension, Baltimore County has 781 farms with over 75,000 acres dedicated to plant and animal production. Primary products include horses, corn, soybeans, hay, fresh vegetables, nursery plants and greenhouse crops. These agricultural operations contribute significant economic, environmental and aesthetic value to the County.

- Sagamore Farm
- Baltimore County Agricultural Center
- Justin Harrison’s Farm

SASES Tour #3: Anne Arundel County
Known best for the tasty crab cakes, U.S. Naval Academy, and Chesapeake Bay, Anne Arundel County is also home to emerging innovations in agriculture. This tour will have a longer ride to the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, but the facility has TONS of cool projects going on.

- Beltsville Agricultural Research Center Projects

SASES Tour #4: Eastern Shores
Maryland’s Eastern Shores is the peninsula across the Chesapeake Bay from Baltimore, which includes portions of Maryland, Delaware, and Virginia (also known as Delmarva). On this tour, we will cross the 4-mile-long Chesapeake Bay Bridge to Talbot County. The Eastern Shores are home to the state’s most diverse production agriculture. This tour will have the longest travel times.

- Councell Farms
- Triple Creek Winery
- Hutchinson Farms
2018 Annual Meeting Schedule
acsmeetings.org/undergraduates

SASES Registration | Baltimore Convention Center | Charles Street Lobby
FRI 5:00–9:00 PM • SAT 6:00–7:45 AM • SUN 7:30–9:00 AM And during regular Registration Hours

Graduate School Forum | Baltimore Convention Center | Exhibit Hall
SUN 7:00–9:00 PM • MON 9:00 AM–6:00 PM • TUE 9:00 AM–6:30 PM • Wednesday, 9:00 AM–4:30 PM
Meet with university representatives to learn more about their schools, MS and PhD programs, and to discuss assistantships and fellowships.

*BCC: Baltimore Convention Center

Friday, November 2
7:00 PM–8:00 PM  SASES National Officer Meeting
BCC, Room 326

Saturday, November 3
6:30 AM–5:30 PM  SASES Tours
BCC, depart from Charles Street Entrance.
Tours may have different start & end times.
7:30 PM–9:00 PM  Presidents’ Trophy Competition
BCC, Room 314-315

Sunday, November 4
9:00 AM–10:30 AM  SASES Brunch & Keynote: Lisa Ainsworth
Hyatt Regency, Constellation Ballroom A-B

Monday, November 5
8:00 PM–9:00 PM  SASES Elections
BCC, Room 314-315
9:15 PM–11:00 PM  SASES Quiz Bowl
BCC, Room 314-315 | Sponsored by: syngenta

Monday, November 5
8:00 AM–9:30 AM  SASES Club Presidents’ Round Table
BCC, Room 310
9:00 AM–10:00 AM  SASES National Speech Contest- Finals
BCC, Room 320
9:00 AM–6:00 PM  Exhibits & Career Center Open
BCC, Exhibit Hall A-C
10:00 AM–12:00 PM  CCA Career Accelerator Round Table
BCC, Room 310 | Sponsored by: Certified Crop Adviser Program
10:00 AM–12:00 PM  Grad School Workshop for Undergrads
BCC, Room 320
12:00 PM–1:30 PM  Pop with the Presidents
Hyatt Regency, Constellation Ballroom A
12:00 PM–1:30 PM  SASES Advisor Luncheon
Hyatt Regency, Conway Room
1:30 PM–3:30 PM  Crops Judging Showcase Contest
BCC, Room 309
3:00 PM–6:00 PM  Career Fair
BCC, Exhibit Hall A-C
4:00 PM–6:00 PM  Undergraduate Research Contest-Poster
BCC, Exhibit Hall A-C
4:00 PM–6:00 PM  Undergraduate Internship Poster Contest
BCC, Exhibit Hall A-C
6:30 PM–11:30 PM  SASES Dinner Cruise, Awards, & Social Spirit Cruises, Baltimore Harbor

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Hot Topics in Agronomy and Soil Science
Come join this session to learn more about current hot topics facing the industry. Leading professionals will each share a ten minute overview on a certain topic, and offer a five minute question and answer portion. Featured hot topics include:

- Greenscaping and Urban Farming- How does this form of agriculture improve food security for urban populations?
- Water Regulations & Taxation- What could this mean for the future of agriculture?
- Biofuel Production- What are the newest innovations in biofuel crops, production, and efficiency?
- Digital Agriculture- How will the importance of data analysis and data ownership change employment opportunities in agronomy, crop science, and soil science?
- Feeding the 9- What novel approaches are being implemented to increase diversified crop production on the global scale?

Sunday, November 4: 3:30 PM–5:00 PM
Baltimore Convention Center, Room 322

CCA Career Accelerator Round Table
Jumpstart your career! This CCA roundtable is an interactive session for undergraduates who are considering working in the field of Agronomy after graduation. Meet Certified Crop Advisors to find out how they got where they are. Bring along questions about how to prepare, network, and succeed in the agronomy world.

Monday, November 5: 10:00 AM–12:00 PM
Baltimore Convention Center, Room 310

Graduate School Workshop for Undergraduates
Thinking about applying to grad school or heading off to grad school soon? Come get advice for finding the right school, the right advisor, and writing your application. Also, hear tips on how to succeed in graduate school from a panel of experts.

Monday, November 5: 10:00 AM–12:00 PM
Baltimore Convention Center, Room 320

Featured Sessions
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