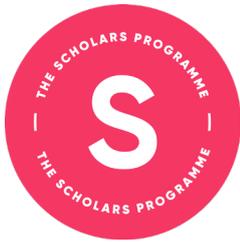


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Tutor Name:
Allison Zwarycz

PhD Research Area:
Using predatory bacteria
to prevent and treat plant
infections

PhD University:
University of Aberystwyth

Tutor since: Summer 2018

Brilliant Club Programme:
The Scholars Programme



Which schools have you taught at?

Ysgol Bro Gwaun, Ysgol Gyfun Emlyn, Ysgol Penglais, Ysgol Uwchradd Aberteifi, Llanidloes High School.

What is your Scholars Programme course title?

Microbial Hunger Games, Disease Detectives.

What made you want to apply to be a Scholars Programme tutor?

I really enjoy teaching and inspiring young pupils to find an interest in or appreciation for science.

What has been the most rewarding moment of your Scholars Programme placement so far?

Seeing students who come in with low interest or confidence produce amazing work and show an interest in the subject and learning new information.

Tell me about being a Scholars Programme tutor. How has it helped in your development as a research student?

Being a tutor requires finding creative ways of finding information and turning it into material for young pupils. It also allows for creativity in creating the handbook and lesson activities.

What have you gained from being part of the Scholars Programme community of researchers?

I have gained more from The Scholars Programme than I can ever put into words. I have gained a sense of community and connections to students and teachers as well as the other programme tutors.



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How has The Scholars Programme affected the way you approach undergraduate teaching?

The programme has enhanced how I teach undergraduates. By building up from simple ideas to more complex thinking, it improves teaching and understanding of all material.



How do you think you have made a difference to pupils as a Scholars Programme tutor?

I hope I have given pupils an opportunity to learn new information and show creativity when writing assignments. I hope to have also inspired students to consider applying to and attending university.

Do you have any advice for someone looking to apply to work as a Scholars Programme tutor?

Have an open mind when approaching all aspects, from creating the handbook to running the lessons. Show passion for your subject but be flexible and plan to change things on the fly. Put effort into each and every student, you never know who needs it most.

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