

Animal Social Networks A NIMBioS Investigative Workshop

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This investigative workshop will explore problems and opportunities raised by small (tens to hundreds of individuals) social networks as they develop over time. Focus areas include how temporal dynamics affect network function and emergent properties; the response of the network to perturbations (e.g., births, deaths, immigration and emigration); and the tension between network structure (e.g., importance of roles and network centrality) and process (e.g., flow of information, disease transmission). The workshop will bring together empiricists interested in a diversity of animal social groups (ants, fish, birds, mammals) and quantitative scientists (network scientists, mathematicians, computer scientists, physicists) interested in the special problems posed by the dynamics of small social networks.

Participation in the workshop is by application only. Individuals with a strong interest in the topic are encouraged to apply, and successful applicants will be notified within two weeks of the application deadline. If needed, financial support for travel, meals, and lodging is available for workshop attendees.

Application deadline: December 2, 2013

For more information about the workshop and a link to the online application form, go to http://nimbios.org/workshops/WS_socialnet

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