

# Goals and General Plan

## MSCOPE 2006 Autumn Quarter

### Goals for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

- Introduction to museum practices and the basics of informal science education
- Introduction to partner museums and visit one other Chicago museum
- Complete short project in interpretation – label writing for SciTech
- Complete short project in observing museum visitor behavior – evaluation for MSI
- Participate in several topical discussions about museums and informal science learning
- Develop and present proposal for big projects

<b>Week</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location/Time</b>	<b>Main Agenda Items</b>
<b>1</b>	Monday: 10/02	Univ. of Chicago RI-151 3:00-5:00 PM	Opening Meeting at U of C > Introduction to Program, Participants and Partners
<b>2</b>	Sunday: 10/08	SciTech Hands-On Science Museum Aurora, Illinois  11 AM – 3 PM	Orientation visit to SciTech > Ronen: Public understanding of Science + Science show > Carina: Intro to exhibit design > Scope out interpretive labeling opportunities
<b>3</b>	Thursday: 10/12	Museum of Science and Industry  1:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Orientation visit to MSI > Introduction people & museum > Tour exhibits and demonstrations > Museum IDs
<b>4</b>	Friday: 10/20	Lyman Woods  5:00 – 9:00 PM	Visit Lyman Woods Nature Center at Downers Grove > Education at Community-level Institutions
<b>5</b>	Friday 10/27	Museum of Science and Industry  1:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Evaluations Workshop Discussion #1: Audience expectations and experiences in science museums.  > Discuss Evaluation Projects > Review Label Projects
<b>6</b>	Friday 11/03	Univ. of Chicago  1:30 PM – 4:30 PM	> Discussion #2: Controversies in science museums > Evaluation draft due
<b>7</b>	Friday 11/10	Univ. of Chicago  1:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Evaluate labels at SciTech during the week Start MSI evaluations
<b>8</b>	Monday 11/20	Univ. of Chicago  10:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Start thinking about Big Projects > Introduction to Demonstrations & educational programs @ MSI > Areas of interest for SciTech. > Brainstorming
<b>9</b>	Friday 11/24		Thanksgiving Week -- No Meeting
<b>10</b>	Friday 12/01	Museum of Science and Industry 1:30 PM – 4:30 PM	> Presentations of Term Projects Final Labels on Display Evaluation Projects Presented > Entertain Big Project Ideas