

Invitation To A Breakfast: Thursday August 22 or 29

A New Direction in Professional Master's Education in the Sciences and Mathematics

## PROFESSIONAL SCIENCE MASTERS

We invite you to an opportunity to hear about our ideas and planning for American University's <u>proposal</u> for new **professional** science masters degrees, meet in an informal environment, mix with other invitees and faculty at a two-hour breakfast meeting on campus, either of the last two Thursdays in August.

What: American University plans to develop a new professional masters in science degree program in emerging multidisciplinary areas like biotechnology. AU's Phase I "Assessment" proposal was the only one from all of the Washington metro universities to be selected by the Council of Graduate Schools and the Sloan Foundation for Phase II "Implementation" consideration.

Who: A.U.'s Associate Dean Larry Medsker wishes to convene a **Technical Advisory Council**, comprised of diverse stakeholders from potential employers of AU science masters graduates, such as government, business and non-profit organizations in the National Capital Area.

Why: **Employers** want graduates who are more fully trained to solve real-world issues in a team environment. **AU** wants ongoing input from representative employers in design and content of such a degree program.

When: Choose one breakfast meeting: 8—10 am Thursday August 22 or 8—10 am Thursday August 29, 2002

Where: At American University in the Atrium of the Battelle-Tompkins building (see the location map below). Parking is readily available before 8 a.m. in the Nebraska Avenue lot — enter the lot from New Mexico Ave.

