For the past two years, CNS-ASU has held the week-long CNS-ASU Winter School at Saguaro Lake Guest Ranch. Open to graduate students and recent PhDs, the school is designed to give participants an introduction to and practical experience with methods and theory employed by CNS-ASU faculty and associates. The curricular content and activities are designed around the CNS real-time technology assessments and the two thematic research clusters.

“What we learned here won’t be something we just put on a shelf. Everything is useful for contributing to our careers, institutions or professional workplaces.”

--Daniel P. Miller
Project Manager with US DOD
PhD Student at Virginia Tech
2014 Winter School participant

“We looked at where social scientists can intervene or integrate into the development process and potentially change the trajectory of overall technological development.”

--Molly Hartzog Storment
PhD Student at North Carolina State
IGERT Fellow, Genetic Engineering & Society
2014 Winter School Participant

Ample work time and breaks encourage participants to guide their individual learning experiences, and the informal school setting is ideal for promoting spontaneous productive and collegial conversations. CNS-ASU Winter School also offers mentoring sessions with faculty.

Dr. Ira Bennett (left) and Dr. Jameson Wetmore (right) lead CNS-ASU education and outreach efforts.

Ira Bennett | Arizona State University
Assistant Research Professor, CNS-ASU and CSPÖ

Jameson Wetmore | Arizona State University
Associate Professor, School for Human Evolution and Social Change

Presentations describing tools, concepts and methods that guide CNS-ASU research are supplemented by practical activities and rigorous discussion.