

Educational goals for AIM-UP!

- Increase understanding of value of collections
- Increase awareness of organismal diversity
- Increase interest in evolutionary biology
- Increase ability to use analytical tools



Current uses of collections in undergraduate education:

- “ology” courses
- Curatorial assistants
- Faculty research assistants
- Museum apprentice programs



(limited numbers, limited to institutions with collections)

Educational targets for AIM-UP!

- Programs with direct access to collections
- Programs with only indirect (electronic) access to collections



Designing activities for both targets

	Programs w/collections	Programs w/o collections
Direct activities	Apprentice programs Specimens & ecology Specimens & biodiversity	X
Indirect activities	Database exercises Virtual specimens	Database exercises Virtual specimens Partner programs Online curation