Burks says, “I want to see how our science really impacts policy.”

Many Fellows see the opportunity to communicate scientific topics and ideas to a diverse audience as an exciting component of the Fellowship. “I want to look at the ‘big picture’ of science,” Burks says. “I think the Fellowship is a great opportunity to interact with lots of different people and communicate my knowledge with the broader public.”

After completing their year on the Hill, Fellows enter into a wide array of positions. Some remain in policy working on Capitol Hill, at federal agencies, or non-profit organizations. This network of past Fellows has been an invaluable resource for the Societies and our sciences. ASA, CSSA, and SSSA CEO Ellen Bergfeld is also a Congressional Science Fellowship alumnus, illustrating just how far the Fellowship experience can take you!

Those Fellows who return to research also contribute to the Societies’ advocacy efforts at the member level. After completing her Fellowship in August, Shoaf is now an assistant professor in the Plant and Soil Science Department at Oklahoma State University.

“Thanks to my time in DC, I have a much greater appreciation for the legislative, regulatory, and research funding processes,” Shoaf says. “My fellowship came with experience in research, writing, and problem solving, as well as the great network I have built in DC that will help me succeed as faculty at OSU.”

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