Opportunity Title: Minority Educational Institution Student Partnership Program 2024 - DOE-MEISPP-2024

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Organization	U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
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How to Apply	**Click on Apply below to start your application today!**
Application Deadline	2/15/2024 11:59:00 PM Eastern Time Zone
Description	Do you want to expand your professional skills, energy literacy, and leadership capabilities while networking with top professionals in the Department of Energy? The Minority Educational Institution Student Partnership Program (MEISPP) provides 12-week summer internship opportunities to highly qualified undergraduate and graduate students and recent graduates from eligible Minority Serving Institutions. Some opportunities may be extended into the academic year.

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The MEISPP is designed to provide talented undergraduate and graduate students and recent graduates with internships that introduce them to a variety of entry and mid-level research, technical and professional positions within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and its national laboratories. Interns will help support the DOE mission of discovering solutions to power and secure America's future. The DOE is committed to:

- Energy Security   - Nuclear Security   - Scientific Discovery and Innovation   - Environmental Responsibility

- Management Excellence   - Cyber Security   - Safeguards and Security   - Technological Advancement

Opportunities may be available at DOE Headquarters, DOE Field Offices, and national laboratories. For more information about DOE offices and facilities, visit https://www.energy.gov/offices. Opportunities are available in many areas, including:

- Science   - Technology   - Engineering   - Mathematics

- Business   - Communications   - Policy   - Law

Program Dates: May 20 - August 9, 2024

Webinars and Websites

Want to know more, have questions or want help putting together a strong application? We're available to help!
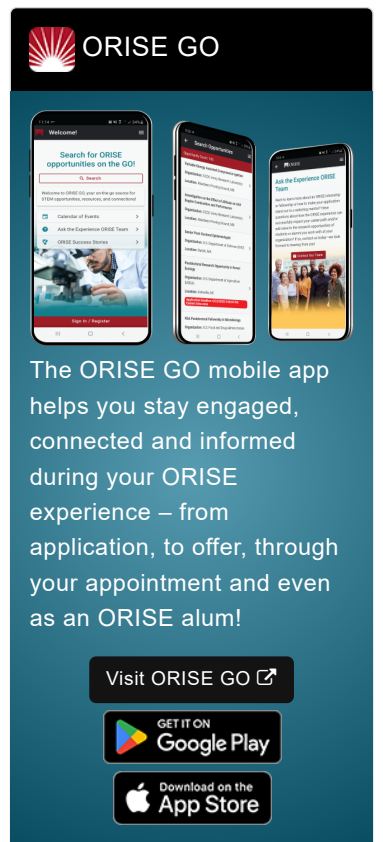
Join us for the following events: (Click dates to register and receive log-in information.)

- An informational webinars. 2-3:00 PM EST
  - November 2 and November 10
- Application Assistance Workshops, 2-3:00PM EST
  - November 15, November 30, January 15 and February 1

Visit the MEISPP website to register for webinars and workshops and to learn more about the program, or contact us at MEISPP@orise.orau.gov

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Benefits

Interns are provided a stipend and various allowances to support them during the internship. The allowances vary with the cost of living at the location and with the mode of participation (in-person or virtual).

Basic Stipend:

Undergraduate students: $750/week

Graduate students: $950/week

Post-Bacculaureate: $850

Post-Master's students: $1050/week

Post-doctoral students: $1150/week

In-person Internship Allowances:

Travel: You will be reimbursed up to **$1,000** for inbound/outbound transportation expenses from your current address to the assigned location if the distance is over 50 miles. Travel arrangements and reimbursement will be based on the most direct and expeditious mode of transportation; ORISE is available to make travel arrangements and purchase plane or train tickets for participants if requested. Your travel to and from orientation in Washington, D.C. will also be covered.

Housing: If you relocate more than 50 miles one-way from your current location, you will be eligible for a weekly housing supplement to offset expenses associated with housing during the internship. Supplement levels depend on the location of your internship and will vary from **$374 - $777/week**. This supplement will be added to your weekly stipend.

Commute: A **$50/week** supplement will be provided to offset the cost of commuting to and from your internship site.

Virtual Internship Allowances:

Virtual interns will receive a **$150/week** supplement to offset the cost of remote participation. The supplement will be added to the stipend.

Your travel to and from orientation in Washington, D.C. will be covered.

Optional Benefits:

At their discretion, offices may offer supplements to offset the cost of health insurance, for educational and professional development support, and for travel during the internship.

Review of Applications

Applications will be evaluated by the sponsoring offices/hosting facilities to determine if there is a match between your knowledge, skills, and interests, and the projects available. Applications may be reviewed by multiple mentors at the same time. Sponsoring offices/hosting facilities may contact you for an interview prior to selection.

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Nature of Appointment:

Interns will not enter into an employee/employer relationship with ORISE, ORAU, MEISPP or the hosting site. Instead, interns will be affiliated with ORISE for the administration of the appointment through the ORISE appointment letter and *Terms of Appointment.*

About the Office of Economic Impact and Diversity (ED):

The MEISPP program is sponsored by ED. The ED develops and executes Department-wide policies to strengthen diversity and inclusion goals affecting equal employment opportunities, small and disadvantaged businesses, minority educational institutions and historically under-represented communities.

Qualifications Candidates must meet the eligibility conditions outlined for the program by the program start (June 5th, 2023). A candidate must:

- Be at least 18 years of age.
- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Be enrolled during the 2023-2024 academic year as a full-time degree-seeking student in a STEM program or other field that supports the DOE mission at an eligible Minority Serving Institution (MSI) OR have received a degree from an eligible MSI within the past two years. (Graduation no earlier than Spring semester 2022) The U.S. postsecondary institutions that meet the statutory criteria for identification as Minority Serving Institutions and are eligible for this program are listed here:https://orise.orau.gov/MEISPP/msi-list.html A schools eligibility may change from year to year, so if you are a recent graduate, be sure to check for your graduation date! The MSI categories include:
    - AANAPISI - Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution
    - ANNH - Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institution
    - HBCU - Historically Black College or University
    - HSI - Hispanic-serving institution
    - NASNTI - Native American-serving nontribal institution
    - PBI - Predominantly Black Institution
    - TCU - Tribal College or University
- Be available to participate in the full 12-week program.

Additional Eligibility Factors:

• Candidates selected for an internship appointment will be required to provide proof of enrollment during Spring 2024 term, OR for graduates, proof of graduation within the past two years (no further back than the Spring 2022 semester). Enrollment or graduation must be from a eligible

MSI; eligibility can change from year to year and for graduates the eligibility will be based on the list for year of graduation.

• Students may apply for and are eligible to participate in the program at multiple times during their undergraduate and graduate studies and as well as up to 2 years after graduation. However, there should not be an assumption or expectation of being re-selected.

A complete application consists of:

- All required fields in both the profile and application form, including responses to the following prompts:
  - Interests, Skills and Experience:
    - Explain why this opportunity interest you and how it will impact your educational and professional goals. Describe your relevant research, technical, or professional skills and experience that are applicable to this opportunity.
  - Program Participation
    - Do you currently participate or have you previously participated in an ORAU or ORISE educational program?
    - If yes, list all project/assignment(s) in which you have participated including dates, location, and mentor for each assignment.
- Resume (PDF, 2-page limit)
- Academic Records
  - A copy of an official or unofficial transcript or copies of the student academic records printed by the applicant or by academic advisors from internal institutional systems may be submitted. Transcript or academic records must clearly show:
    - student name
    - name of the academic institution
    - enrollment during the academic term at the time of application OR degree completion within the past 2 years (not earlier than Spring 2022)
    - current/completed/enrolled courses, grades, most recent cumulative GPA, and degree in progress OR degree completed.
    - *Submitted documents must have all social security numbers, student identification numbers, and/or dates of birth removed (blanked out, blackened out, made illegible, etc.) prior to uploading into the application system.*
- Academic or Professional Recommendation: Recommendation should address the applicant's academic record and potential for success in an appointment, such as demonstrated intellectual merit, communication and teamwork skills. Recommenders will be asked to submit a recommendation in Zintellect. Letters of recommendation submitted via email will not be accepted.

Applications must be submitted by February 15, 2024 11:59pm Eastern Standard Time

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All documents must be submitted via Zintellect. All application components **must** be received in the system in order to be considered.

Questions? MEISPP@orise.orau.gov

Eligibility Requirements

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
- **Degree:** Associate's Degree, Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree received within the last 24 months or currently pursuing.
- **Overall GPA:** 3.00
- **Academic Level(s):** Graduate Students, Post-Bachelor's, Postdoctoral, Post-Master's, or Undergraduate Students.
- **Discipline(s):**
  - **Business** (11 👁)
  - **Chemistry and Materials Sciences** (12 👁)
  - **Communications and Graphics Design** (6 👁)
  - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** (17 👁)
  - **Earth and Geosciences** (21 👁)
  - **Engineering** (27 👁)
  - **Environmental and Marine Sciences** (14 👁)
  - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (34 👁)
  - **Mathematics and Statistics** (11 👁)
  - **Other Non-Science & Engineering** (13 👁)
  - **Physics** (16 👁)
  - **Science & Engineering-related** (2 👁)
  - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** (29 👁)
- **Age:** Must be 18 years old by 5/20/2024