

# COMMUNITY COLLEGE INTERNSHIP

The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory's Community College Internship (CCI) program offers community college students paid internships in technology, science and engineering in a national laboratory environment.

This comprehensive program provides career planning and training/information sessions, that support and influence the student's career choices.

*"The opportunity to be a part of a research team on the cutting edge of technological innovations was the most rewarding aspect of participating in the CCI program because it allowed me to experience life as a professional scientist."*

*Sarina Dorazio, mentored by William Samuels*

*"I have been very fortunate in having my first mentoring experience be a student who has an excellent work ethic and a great attitude. The student's willingness to jump right into the middle of what we had going on helped make our project an incredible success."*

*Shauna Anderson, PNNL Scientist*



# Community College Internship:

Where community college students learn about scientific research by **doing scientific research.**

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## About the Program

The Community College Internship (CCI) places students in technical training experiences at several different U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) National Laboratories across the nation. Each laboratory offers specific technical training experiences for student participation. The comprehensive nature of this program can have an enormous influence on academic and vocational careers. Special efforts are made to recruit students historically underrepresented in science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields. Students work on technologies or instrumentation projects or major research facilities related to DOE's ongoing research and development programs, under the guidance of laboratory staff scientist and engineers. They also attend career planning sessions and enrichment programs.

## Program Components

Participating students receive weekly salaries, a housing allowance, and travel expenses. Students spend ten weeks during the summer at a DOE National Laboratory where they:

- *Are matched with world-renowned scientists who serve as mentors*
- *Are trained to use advanced scientific instrumentation*
- *Develop professional and technical communication skills*
- *Attend enrichment and career-development sessions*
- *Complete a poster presentation and submit a project paper*

## Eligibility

Students for CCI are recruited from two-year community colleges and must:

- *Be currently enrolled as a full-time student at a community college or accredited two year college and completed at least one semester*
- *Have a cumulative grade point of 3.0 or higher*
- *Be 18 years of age or older at the start of the program*
- *Be a U.S. Citizen or a Permanent Resident Alien*
- *Must have earned a high school diploma or General Educational Development (GED) equivalent at the time of applying*

## Financial Information

A salary of \$600/week is provided, as well as a housing per diem and travel reimbursement per DOE and PNNL program guidelines.

## Application

Application for CCI is electronic and cannot be submitted by mail or fax. Apply at:

**[science.osti.gov/wdts/cci](http://science.osti.gov/wdts/cci)**



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