

Eligibility

Applicants for internships must meet each of the following eligibility conditions:

1. Must be a citizen or national of the United States. (Note: A “national of the United States” is a citizen of the United States or a native resident of a possession of the United States such as Guam or American Samoa. It does not refer to a citizen of another country who is a U.S. permanent resident. U.S. permanent residents are not eligible for the Science Student Internship.)
2. Must be a currently enrolled student and have successfully completed at least the sophomore year at an accredited, degree-granting institution by the start of the program.
3. Must be majoring in one of the following fields: mathematics, science (life or physical sciences, computer science, behavioral sciences, or social sciences), technology, or engineering.
4. Must be returning to a degree-granting institution the following academic year, either at the undergraduate or graduate level. (Note: Graduating seniors must be already admitted to and planning to enter graduate school in the fall in order to be eligible.)
5. Must have a significant interest in raising the level of awareness about: the circumstances that prevent minority communities from receiving a quality education; programs and strategies being implemented to address these issues; and policies and legislation that have an impact on STEM education.
6. Must be committed to participating in the program for the full ten-week period.
7. Must be willing to participate in a telephone/video interview if chosen as a finalist.

Benefits

1. One round-trip ticket (air, bus, train) will be provided between home or school and Washington, DC.
2. Taxable stipends will be available for full-time participation in the entire ten-week program. Undergraduate students will receive taxable stipends of \$4,000 and graduate students at NSF will receive taxable stipends of \$5,000.
3. Shared summer housing will be provided for all interns who are not from the Washington, DC metropolitan area. The provision of housing is viewed by the IRS as income and is, therefore, taxable.
4. In keeping with federal regulations, FICA taxes will be deducted from both stipends and campus housing costs.

5. Funding of up to \$1200 to attend conferences and other professional development activities during the summer and the next academic year.
6. Allowances for ground transportation and local travel will be provided.

Application Process

Applicants must provide the following documents:

1. A completed [Internship Application Form](#)
2. A current resume that includes any volunteer/service-learning activities and research experiences
3. A current transcript (an unofficial photocopy is acceptable). Graduate student applicants also must submit a copy of their undergraduate transcript.
4. Two recommendations with supporting narratives (one recommendation must be from a faculty member in the applicant's major department) must be included in your application.

The completed application and recommendation forms, transcript, essay, and a resume must be submitted through our online application form to the QEM Network before our final deadline of **Tuesday, February 19, 2019** for priority consideration please submit your application by **January 31, 2019**. Transcripts may be mailed separately, if necessary, but also must be postmarked by the deadline date.