



NEW MEXICO EPSCoR EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM



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WITH COLLABORATION



*Spend a semester (or the summer)
at a partnering New Mexico
institution or national laboratory!*



ATTENTION GRADUATE STUDENTS!

Do you want to enhance your research experience at a partnering institution? Then the NM EPSCoR Externship Program is for you!

The NM EPSCoR Externship:

1. Augments the graduate experience for graduate students (or exceptional undergraduates) by providing additional research experience at other institutions, and
2. Boosts collaboration among the graduate degree-granting institutions in New Mexico (UNM, NMT, NMSU, ENMU and NMHU), as well as Sandia and Los Alamos National Labs and the New Mexico Consortium.



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New Mexico EPSCoR Student Externships

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This externship is a research opportunity that allows an undergraduate or graduate student to spend a semester (or summer) at a partnering New Mexico university or research facility. Activities during this exchange may include 1) taking courses at the host institution, 2) conducting research in a host laboratory, and 3) interacting in the host institution's academic setting. Ideally this externship would be done during the semester when classes are available but could be completed during summer if necessary. The externship should not delay the completion of a student's degree but indeed may hasten the graduation with the provision of complimentary equipment/lab space to complete projects.

The EPSCoR externship will:

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The cross-institutional collaboration among universities and research facilities will help the success of future research, publications, proposals, and collaborations. Bi-directional exchange, rather than one-directional exchange, is encouraged (but not required) to enhance the goals of long-term institutional collaboration. The involvement of host lab faculty as a member on the exchange student's graduate committee is also suggested if appropriate.

AN EXAMPLE

A master's student at NMSU working on algal biofuels using the outdoor algal facilities can come to UNM for the semester to work on complimentary research using lab facilities for manipulating algal cultures. This student receives RA support from NMSU (EPSCoR funding or other related funding). The student receives externship funds for lodging while at UNM and may receive some additional funding for research. The student receives the financial support as a scholarship and pays lodging costs, etc. from those funds. The student is also able to take classes at UNM as part of an exchange between UNM and NMSU.

THE PROCESS

Externships are available Summer 2015 through Spring 2018. Admission to the externship will be decided with semiannual application process that considers proposed research, transcripts, lab availability, and letters of recommendation from the home and host advisors.

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