Purdue University
Homeland Security-Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (HS-STEM)
Career Development Program
Scholarship Application (Undergraduate Students)

Last Name: ___________________________ First Name: _____________________ MI: _____
Address: ____________________________ City: ______________ State: ____ Zip: _______
Phone: ( ) ____-______ Fax: ( ) ____-______ Email: ____________________________

Check one:

☐ I am a junior undergraduate student.
☐ I am a senior undergraduate student.

1. Check the HS-STEM key area that best describes your major or research focus:

☐ Advanced Data Analysis and Visualization
☐ Border Security and Immigration Studies
☐ Chemical and Biological Threats
☐ Communications, Operations, and Interoperability
☐ Emergency Preparedness and Response
☐ Explosives, Detection, Mitigation, and Response
☐ HS-STEM Introduction and Survey Courses preparatory to one of the above areas of study
☐ Human Factors
☐ Infrastructure Protection and Geophysical Applications to Natural Disasters
☐ Maritime, Coastal and Port Security
☐ Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences

2. Submit a statement of 500 words or less stating why you should be considered for this program. Include your current interest/work in homeland security, and your career aspirations.

3. Submit your transcript confirming a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher on a 4.00 scale.

4. Submit two signed and sealed 'letter of references' to be sent separately to the Purdue Homeland Security Institute.

5. Read and sign the “Homeland Security-STEM Career Development Scholarship/Fellowship Program Fact Sheet” on pages 4 and 5.

6. Read the information on page 3 of this application and indicate the letter of the OPTION (A, B, C, or D) for which you are applying: I am applying for OPTION _______.

7. Sign the statement on page 2 of this application.

I hereby affirm that:

- I am a U.S. citizen;
- I am a full-time student;
- I have and agree to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher on a 4.00 scale;
- I have and agree to maintain a 3.0 minimum GPA on a 4.0 scale for any given semester;
- I will attend the annual DHS Career Development Conference in Washington, DC (Fall 2009) at my own expense;
- I will participate in one DHS-funded, 10-12 week topically relevant summer research experience (internship) at a DHS-affiliated facility, laboratory, or agency, for each year of funding received through this program (See http://purvac.org/ for approved facilities);
- I will make and honor a commitment to provide one year of service (one continuous year, two semesters and a summer, or four consecutive summers) at a DHS-approved STEM facility during or immediately following the term of the scholarship;
- I have read and understand the “Homeland Security-STEM Career Development Scholarship/Fellowship Program Fact Sheet” (pages 4 and 5);
- I understand that if I fail to meet the minimum standards to continue in the program, cease enrollment in the program for other reasons, or fail to complete the one year service requirement, I am obligated to repay the entire value of the scholarship provided to me; no partial service credit provision is available;
- I understand that if I am found guilty of or admit to scientific, academic, or criminal misconduct that I will be immediately dismissed from the program, and I will be required to repay the forgivable loan if not cleared of misconduct;
- I understand that if I must repay the scholarship that interest will begin to accrue at 5% per annum after a 6 month grace period 1) beginning immediately after I cease enrollment in the program for any reason, or 2) beginning one year after I complete my Homeland Security program at Purdue University.

Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________

Please send all materials to:

Marti Burns
Purdue Homeland Security Institute
Attn: HS-STEM Career Development Program
203 S. Martin Jischke Drive
Mann Hall, Room 166
West Lafayette, IN 47907-1971
Phone: 765-494-2216
DHS Scholarships will be provided to rising juniors and seniors who are full-time students majoring in, or with a research focus in, the priority HS-STEM fields. The cumulative maximum total for an individual undergraduate student will not exceed $74,404. Scholarship options include:

OPTION A. Full-time Indiana resident junior undergraduate students would be eligible for up to $13,697 ($4,197 tuition + $4,500 living stipend + $5,000 summer internship) for the first disbursement of Year 1; $8,697 ($4,197 tuition + $4,500 living stipend) for the second disbursement of Year 1; $13,697 ($4,197 tuition + $4,500 living stipend + $5,000 summer internship) for the first disbursement of Year 2; and $8,697 ($4,197 tuition + $4,500 living stipend) for the second disbursement of Year 2, for a cumulative maximum total of $44,788.

OPTION B. Full-time non-resident junior undergraduate students would be eligible for up to $21,101 ($11,601 tuition + $4,500 living stipend + $5,000 summer internship) for the first disbursement of Year 1; $16,101 ($11,601 tuition + $4,500 living stipend) for the second disbursement of Year 1; $21,101 ($11,601 tuition + $4,500 living stipend + $5,000 summer internship) for the first disbursement of Year 2; and $16,101 ($11,601 tuition + $4,500 living stipend) for the second disbursement of Year 2, for a cumulative maximum total of $74,404.

OPTION C. Full-time Indiana resident senior undergraduate students would be eligible for up to $13,697 ($4,197 tuition + $4,500 living stipend + $5,000 summer internship) for the first disbursement of Year 1; and $8,697 ($4,197 tuition + $4,500 living stipend) for the second disbursement of Year 1, for a cumulative maximum total of $22,394.

OPTION D. Full-time non-resident senior undergraduate students would be eligible for up to $21,101 ($11,601 tuition + $4,500 living stipend + $5,000 summer internship) for the first disbursement of Year 1; and $16,101 ($11,601 tuition + $4,500 living stipend) for the second disbursement of Year 1, for a cumulative maximum total of $37,202.
Purdue University Homeland Security-STEM Career Development
Scholarship/Fellowship Program Fact Sheet

To support undergraduate and graduate students with the skills and understanding necessary for successful careers as future preeminent scientists in the homeland security scientific and technical community, the Department of Homeland Security, and Purdue University, support undergraduate scholars through the Homeland Security - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (HS-STEM) Career Development Program in the form of a forgivable loan.

A. UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARS

The scholarship you have been given stipulates that you are a U.S. citizen; have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher on a 4.00 scale, and a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale for any given semester; attend the annual DHS Scholars and Fellows Orientation Meeting in Washington, DC at your expense; participate in one DHS-funded, 10-12 week topically relevant summer research experience at a DHS-affiliated facility, laboratory, or agency, for each year of funding received through this program; and, make and honor a commitment to provide one year of service (one continuous year, two semesters and a summer, or four consecutive summers) at a DHS-approved STEM facility during or immediately following the term of the scholarship.

B. GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWS

The fellowship you have been given stipulates that you are a U.S. citizen; have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher on a 4.00 scale, and a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale for any given semester; attend the annual DHS Scholars and Fellows Orientation Meeting in Washington, DC at your expense; and, make and honor a commitment to provide one year of service (one continuous year, two semesters and a summer, or four consecutive summers) at a DHS-approved STEM facility during or immediately following the term of the fellowship.

C. FORGIVABLE LOAN PROVISIONS

Each scholarship/fellowship is initially established as a “forgivable loan.” The loan will be forgiven at a rate of 100% after the requirements stipulated above have been satisfied as determined by the Purdue Homeland Security Institute. The loan balance will be forgiven in the case of death or total disability.

D. REPAYMENT PROVISIONS IN THE EVENT OF FAILURE TO MEET STIPULATED REQUIREMENTS

Individuals who fail to meet the minimum standards to continue in the program, cease enrollment in the program for other reasons, or fail to complete the one year service requirement are obligated to repay the entire value of the scholarship/fellowship provided to them; no partial service credit provision is available. Any student accused of or admitting to scientific, academic, or criminal misconduct will be immediately dismissed from the program. The student will be required to repay the forgivable loan if not cleared of misconduct.
Interest will begin to accrue at 5% per annum after a 6 month grace period 1) beginning immediately after the Borrower ceased enrollment in the program for any reason, or 2) beginning one year after the Borrower completed their Homeland Security program at Purdue University. Periodic audits will be conducted using student files by the Purdue Homeland Security Institute to monitor program enrollment and student status.

Individuals falling under the repayment provisions should contact the University Collections Office (UCO) to arrange a payment schedule; equal monthly payments are generally established for student loans. Repayment is expected within ten years. Interest charges are computed to the nearest first of the month from the date payment is received. Billing notices are mailed about one week prior to the first of each month. Remittance is made payable to Purdue University. Payment is due by the tenth of each month.

E. OBLIGATIONS

I understand that I will report any of the following changes to the Purdue Homeland Security Institute and to University Collections:
1) I drop out of, or I am dismissed from, the HS-STEM Career Development Program for any reason.
2) I fail to provide one year of service at a DHS-approved STEM facility during or immediately following the term of the scholarship.
3) My address or name changes
4) My status as a U.S. citizen changes

F. RIGHTS

You may prepay all or any part of the principal plus interest at any time.

THE MAKER ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS FACT SHEET:

DATE SIGNATURE OF THE MAKER

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Any questions regarding program administration, eligibility, or cancellation should be directed to Marti Burns, program manager, Purdue Homeland Security Institute, (765) 494-2216; mhburns@purdue.edu.

Any questions regarding disbursement and billing should be directed to the University Collections Office, Schleman Hall of Student Services, Room 350, 475 Stadium Mall Drive, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1081 Telephone: (765) 494-5350.