Intelligence Community
Internship, Co-op, Scholarship and Career Opportunities

Student Opportunities

The United States Intelligence Community
IntelligenceCareers.gov

When You Take Care Of The Nation, The Nation Takes Care Of You

Check each agency for specifics, but generally, student program participants are eligible for paid time off, sick leave and holiday leave. Agencies may also assist with short-term housing arrangements.

We’re Invested In Your Career

Should you decide to join an IC agency as an employee, you will have many opportunities to continue learning, growing and exploring new paths through a variety of educational and training programs, including tuition assistance for advanced degrees, as well as opportunities for travel and assignments outside your home office.

Requirements

To work or intern in the IC, you must be a U.S. citizen and be eligible for a Security Clearance. All applicants selected for hire will undergo an extensive background investigation and drug screening. Some agencies also require a polygraph exam.

Reflecting the Diverse Country We Serve

The IC is committed to building a workforce that represents the rich diversity of the world we live in: a workforce that reflects different cultural backgrounds, ethnicities and heritage, languages, races, gender, orientation, abilities and ideas.

How to Apply

Students can find out about and apply for these and many more opportunities that are not listed above by visiting the student opportunity web pages of the individual IC agencies.

For Additional Information

Army Intelligence ........................................ goarmy.com/careers-and-jobs
Central Intelligence Agency ............................................. cia.gov/careers/student-opportunities
Coast Guard Intelligence ............................................. gocoastguard.com/Careers
Defense Intelligence Agency ........................................ IntelligenceCareers.gov/lctstudents.html
Department of Energy ................................................. energy.gov/jobs/services/students-recent-graduates
Department of Homeland Security ..................................... dhs.gov/ia/internship
Department of State ....................................................... careers.state.gov/careers/student-programs
Department of the Treasury ............................................. treasury.gov/careers
Drug Enforcement Administration ..................................... www.dea.gov/careers/occupations.shtml
Federal Bureau of Investigation ......................................... fbijobs.gov/students
Marine Corps Intelligence ............................................. www.hqmc.marines.mil/intelligence
National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency .................................... IntelligenceCareers.gov/lctstudents.html
National Reconnaissance Office ..................................... nro.gov/careers/student.html
National Security Agency ........................................ IntelligenceCareers.gov/lctstudents.html
Navy Intelligence ....................................................... www.navy.mil

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U.S. citizenship is required. The United States Intelligence Community is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Your Future Awaits

If you’re interested in doing work that really matters, build upon your skills and knowledge by supporting one of the 17 federal agencies within the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC). Each agency contributes something unique to the intelligence picture, and together, this group works to protect the nation and its allies from adversarial threats.

The IC offers many opportunities for students to contribute to the mission through internships, cooperative education programs, scholarships and fellowships. You’ll gain professional experience, possibly earn a paycheck and position yourself for a full-time career down the road.

If You Do It, We Need It

The IC needs talented people in almost every career category.

- Intelligence Analysis and Collection
- Research, Science and Technology
- Cyber and Computer Science
- Mathematics and Engineering
- Business, Accounting and Budget
- Foreign Languages
- Geography, Geology and Geophysics
- Human Resources and Training
- Infrastructure and Logistics
- Law and Legal Services
- Security and Law Enforcement
- Inspection, Investigation and Compliance
- Communications and Public Affairs
- and many more ...

Not Sure Where You Fit?

Try our Job Exploration Tool on IntelligenceCareers.gov to match up your skills with our job fields.

What You Can Do

Wherever you serve within the Intelligence Community, you will be working to defeat terrorism at home and abroad, prevent and counter the spread of weapons of mass destruction, protect the health of deployed military forces, and develop innovative ways to detect and analyze threats. Here are some examples of how students can learn more about and contribute to the mission:

- Internships
  Most IC agencies offer paid summer internships. Some offer year-round programs for high school students and graduate students.

- IC CAE
  The Intelligence Community Centers for Academic Excellence (IC CAE) Program provides students an opportunity to study intelligence and national security through an IC-related certificate, minor or graduate education program at various universities. Visit www.dia.mil/Training/IC-Centers-for-Academic-Excellence/Current-IC-CAE-Programs to learn more.

- Cooperative Education Programs
  A few IC agencies offer co-op programs, which alternate periods of full-time employment with periods of full-time study.

- Scholarships and Fellowships
  - Pat Roberts Intelligence Scholars Program (PRISP) – This program trains highly-qualified college graduates with specific skills critical to the IC, and either pays for a portion of their undergraduate education, or pays for their graduate-level education in the critical skill areas needed. Visit the website of the individual IC agencies for specifics on each agency's program.
  - Stokes Educational Scholarship Program (DIA, NSA & NGA) – Also known as the Undergraduate Training Assistance Program at DIA, this program provides tuition and required fees toward an undergraduate degree while providing the student full-time employment during summer vacation while in college. Visit the website of the individual IC agencies or IntelligenceCareers.gov/icstudents.html for program specifics.
  - Undergraduate and Graduate Scholar Programs (CIA) – Financial need-based programs that offer students unmatched experience in a diverse and inclusive environment. Visit the CIA’s student opportunities website for more information on these scholarships: cia.gov/careers/student-opportunities.
  - Science, Mathematics and Research for Transformation (SMART) – Students, including current Department of Defense employees seeking advanced degrees, work in a full-time, paid summer internship. Participants must be pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematical fields of study. Visit smart.asae.org for more information.
  - Information Assurance Scholarship Program – This is a Department of Defense grant and scholarship competition. Visit IntelligenceCareers.gov/icstudents.html for more information.
  - Boren Scholarships & Fellowships – The National Security Education Program funds opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to add an important international and language component to their educations. Consult iix.org for details.