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2006 SMART Scholarship recipient, Ph.D. program in Electrical Engineering with a focus on photonics at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

“As a student from a smaller university, I appreciate the access to opportunities that the SMART Program has provided. I am able to work in a career track position while pursuing my degree. It’s the best of both worlds.”

SMART Overview

The DoD recognizes the need to support the education of America’s future scientists and engineers. The SMART Scholarship-for-Service Program is part of a concentrated effort to improve the flow of new, highly skilled technical labor into DoD facilities and agencies and to enhance the technical skills of the workforce already in place.

SMART offers scholarships to undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral students who have demonstrated ability and special aptitude for excelling in STEM fields. Students are also provided opportunities to continue their research in civil service roles following graduation.

Through SMART, we are proud to offer our research leaders of tomorrow not only an education, but a career.

SMART Scholars Receive:

- Cash award paid at a rate of \$25,000 - \$41,000 per year depending on prior educational experience
- Full tuition and related education expenses
- Health Insurance reimbursement allowance
- Book allowance
- Summer Internships (multi-year participants)
- Post-Graduation Career Opportunities

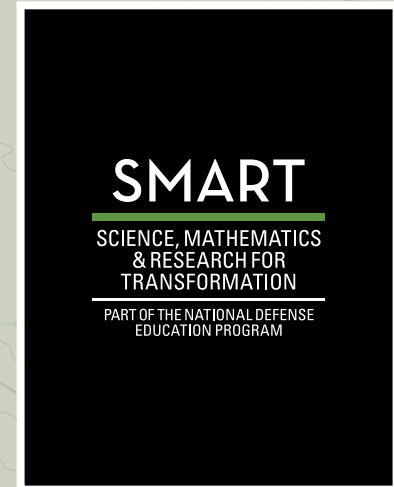


Contact

Contact the SMART Program below for more information and to apply.

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<http://www.asee.org/smart>



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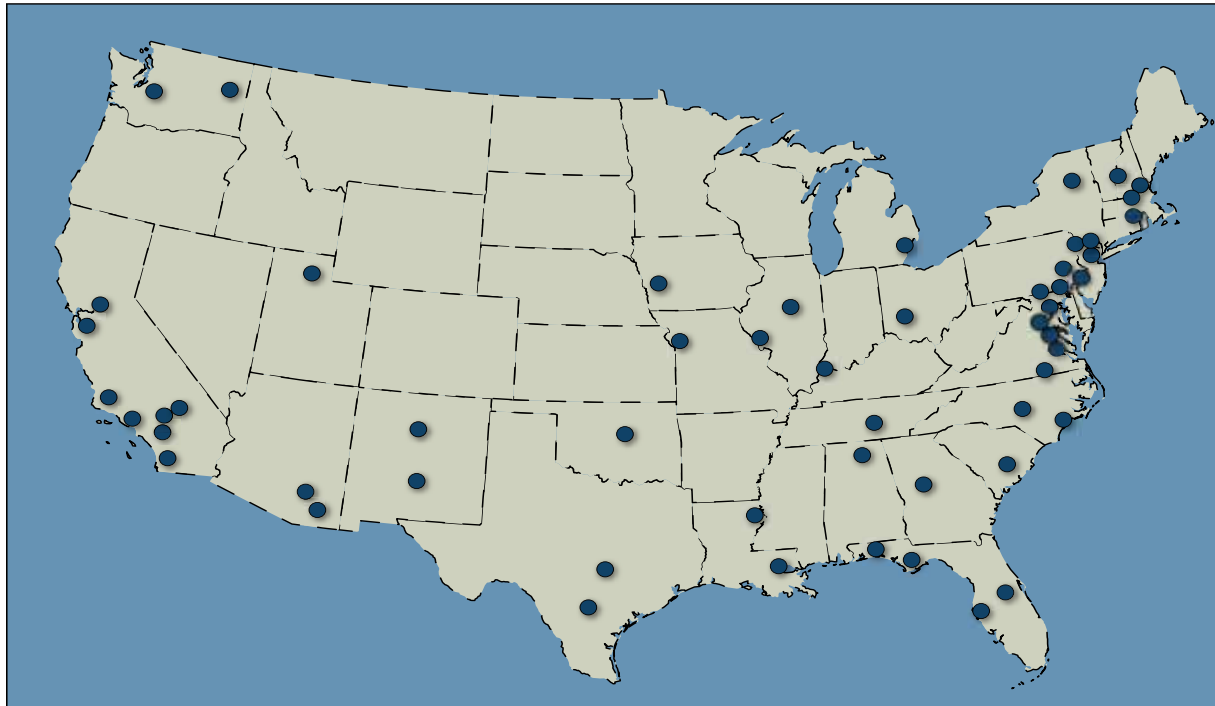
SMART Applicants

SMART Scholarships are awarded to applicants who are pursuing a degree in, or closely related to, one of the following Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines:

- Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering
- Biosciences
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Cognitive, Neural, and Behavioral Sciences
- Computer and Computational Sciences
- Electrical Engineering
- Geosciences
- Industrial and Systems Engineering (Technical tracks only)
- Information Sciences
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering
- Oceanography
- Operations Research (Technical tracks only)
- Physics

Employment Placement

Upon graduation, SMART award recipients are placed in civilian jobs in DoD laboratories and agencies. The post-degree service commitment is commensurate with the length of the scholarship award. Please see program website for additional details.



Award Benefits

In addition to paying tuition and other educational expenses, SMART Participants receive a generous cash award and health insurance allowance. Cash awards are paid at a rate of \$25,000 - \$41,000 per year depending on prior educational experience.

Internships

SMART Scholarships include summer internships. Internships are located at DoD facilities and include a stipend to cover travel expenses.

Eligibility

The SMART Scholarship for Service Program is open only to citizens of the United States. Persons who hold permanent resident status are not eligible. Proof of citizenship is required. Students must be at least 18 years of age to be eligible. Applicants for undergraduate awards must be currently enrolled in a U.S. college or university. Awardees must be eligible to receive and hold a security clearance. Please see the program website for details about the security clearance process.

Application Guidelines

The application submission window is from mid-August to mid-December. Award notification occurs each spring. For more information and to apply visit <http://www.asee.org/smart>

