

Opportunity Title: Lightweight Super Alloy Materials and Manufacturing Science **Opportunity Reference Code:** ARL-R-CISD-300130

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Description About the Research

Low density, high specific strength, alloys are frequently used in propulsion systems including combustion engines and turbomachinery that must withstand long operating periods at high stresses, temperatures, and cycles thereof. Novel aluminum alloys capable of maintaining strength, dimensional, and microstructural stability at temperatures greater than current materials will enable more reliable and efficient propulsion systems. Furthermore, the ability to produce such aluminum superalloys in complex geometries will further enhance propulsion systems power density and design optimization. Areas of research to realize such materials include alloy design and synthesis, microstructural evolution characterization, property to structure correlation, processing effects on microstructure, and material property determination. The candidate shall have a foundational understanding of materials science, experimental, and or computational analytic skills relating to material microstructure and properties. The candidate will work closely with ARL-CISD engineers and scientists to develop knowledge and technologies relating to aluminum superalloys that will provide operational reliability, efficiency, and flexibility to Army air and ground propulsion systems.

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About CISD

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A complete application includes:

- Curriculum Vitae or Resume
- Three References Forms
 - An email with a link to the reference form will be available in Zintellect to the applicant upon completion of the on-line application.
 Please send this email to persons you have selected to complete a reference.
 - References should be from persons familiar with your educational and professional qualifications (include your thesis or dissertation advisor, if applicable)
- Transcripts
 - Transcript verifying receipt of degree must be submitted with the application. Student/unofficial copy is acceptable

If selected by an advisor the participant will also be required to write a **research proposal** to submit to the ARL-RAP review panel for :

- Research topic should relate to a specific opportunity at ARL (see <u>Research Areas</u>)
- The objective of the research topic should be clear and have a defined outcome
- Explain the direction you plan to pursue
- Include expected period for completing the study
- Include a brief background such as preparation and motivation for the research
- References of published efforts may be used to improve the proposal

A link to upload the proposal will be provided to the applicant once the advisor has made their selection.

Questions about this opportunity? Please email

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Eligibility • Requirements •

- Citizenship: U.S. Citizen Only
- Degree: Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree.
- Academic Level(s): Any academic level.
- Discipline(s):
 - Engineering (<u>3</u> ⁽)
- Age: Must be 18 years of age