

**Opportunity Title:** Neuroscience / Human Performance Research - Naval Medical Research Unit

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**Description** Naval Medical Research Unit Dayton (NAMRU-D) conducts research on environmental health effects and aerospace medicine, addressing health and performance challenges faced by service members in operational military environments.

## What will I be doing?

Under the guidance of a mentor, your research will involve projects that investigate human performance under a number of stressors that are common in aerospace environments. These stressors may include hypoxia, breathing resistance, motion sickness, spatial disorientation, or others. The projects will investigate cognitive and neural measures of human performance using a number of techniques including, cognitive testing, psychophysics, electroencephalography (EEG), and functional imaging techniques. You will participate in nearly all aspects of human subject's research to include experimental design, study recruitment, data collection with human participants, data analysis, and dissemination of research findings. You will learn how to prepare and operate a number of cognitive neuroscience devices for data collection including EEG and fNIRS.

The project will include daily set-up of equipment, maintenance of participant folders, interaction with research participants, executing data collection, organizing and analyzing data, report development, and other associated literature reviews. Supplementary experience will be associated with protocol, standard operating procedure, and proposal development, as well as interaction with Institutional Review Board requirements and procedures.

Finally, you will learn about multidisciplinary applied research and gain an understanding of the operational needs of the joint fleet, while supporting research in areas that are practicable and pertinent to the United States Navy. You may also have the opportunity to collaborate with various subject matter experts, and/or attend conferences/scientific meetings.

#### Why should I apply?

This internship provides the opportunity to independently utilize your skills and engage with experts in innovative ideas to move the proposed research forward. There are multiple opportunities available to engage in your applied research and evaluation interests.

## Where will I be located?

Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, OH

# What is the anticipated start date?

NAMRU-D is ready to make an appointment immediately. Exact start date will be determined at the time of selection and in coordination with the selected candidate.

## What is the length of the appointment?

This ORISE appointment is full-time twelve-month duration. Appointments may be extended depending on funding availability, project assignment, program rules, and availability of the participant.

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# What are the benefits?

You will receive a stipend to be determined by NAMRU-D. Stipends are typically based on the participant's academic standing, discipline, experience, and research facility location. Other benefits may include the following:

- Health Insurance Supplement. Participants are eligible to purchase health insurance through ORISE
- Relocation Allowance
- Training and Travel Allowance

## About ORISE

This program, administered by Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and DoD. Participants do not enter into an employee/employer relationship with ORISE, ORAU, DoD or any other office or agency. Instead, you will be affiliated with ORISE for the administration of the appointment through the ORISE appointment letter and Terms of Appointment. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE. For more information, visit the <u>ORISE Research Participation Program at the U.S.</u> Department of Defense.

## Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in psychology, neuroscience, or a related field
  - At least one year of previous research experience (time spent working in a lab during undergraduate studies included)
  - Knowledge of basic research concepts, such as experimental design, human subjects' protection, and data organization
  - · Good critical thinking skills and openness to learning new skills
  - Team player

Favorable skills:

- Certificate in CITI training
- Experience with human participant testing
- Experience with EEG
- Ability to learn quickly and work independently when appropriate

A complete application consists of:

- · Zintellect profile
- · Essay Questions The application includes questions specific to the opportunity.
- Academic Records For this opportunity, an official transcript or copy of the student academic records printed by the applicant or by academic advisors from internal institution systems may be submitted.
- Current Resume/CV
- One (1) Recommendation Applicants are required to provide contact information for at least one recommendation. You are encouraged to request a recommendation from a professional



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who can speak to your abilities and potential for success as well as your scientific capabilities and personal characteristics. Recommendation requests must be sent through the Zintellect application system. Recommenders will be asked to complete a recommendation in Zintellect. Letters of recommendation submitted via email will not be accepted.

Submitted documents must have all social security numbers, student identification numbers, and/or dates of birth removed (blanked out, blackened out, made illegible, etc.) prior to uploading into the application system. All documents must be in English or include an official English translation. If you have questions, send an email to navy@orise.orau.gov. Please list the reference code of this opportunity in the subject line of the email. Please understand that ORISE does not review applications or select applicants; selections are made by the sponsoring agency identified on this opportunity. All application materials should be submitted via the "Apply" button at the bottom of this opportunity listing. Please do not send application materials to the email address above.

Eligibility • Citizenship: U.S. Citizen Only

Requirements

- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 months or currently pursuing.
- Discipline(s):
  - Chemistry and Materials Sciences (<u>12</u>)
  - Computer, Information, and Data Sciences (17. (1)
  - Engineering (<u>27</u> <sup>●</sup>)
  - Life Health and Medical Sciences (48.)
  - Mathematics and Statistics (<u>11</u>)
  - Physics (<u>16</u>)
  - Social and Behavioral Sciences (12. )
- Age: Must be 18 years of age
- Veteran Status: Veterans Preference, degree received within the last 120 month(s).