

Opportunity Title: Heliophysics: Studying Energetic Particles in the Heliosphere

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Organization National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

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1. Research proposal
2. Three letters of recommendation
3. Official doctoral transcript documents

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Description:

This is a general opportunity for a candidate fellow studying energetic particles (neutral or charged) in the heliosphere. The candidate fellow will work independently on these topics in consultation with members of the advisory group. The scope of the opportunity includes, but is not limited to the following areas: studies of shock acceleration in the heliosphere; studies of turbulent heating of charged particles in the solar wind; studies of relativistic electrons in the magnetosphere; studies of the interstellar boundary region related to IBEX and Voyager observations; studies of the origins of anomalous cosmic rays; studies of Solar Energetic Particles transport and acceleration interactions of heliospheric, magnetospheric, and local interstellar radiation with planetary bodies; study impacts and mitigation of energetic particle interactions on human exploration of the solar system.

These studies can be via data analysis, theory, or simulation. There is also an active program in energetic particle instrument development, and applicants with hardware experience and interest are welcome. Please note that the examples above are not all inclusive and that any study of energetic particles in the heliosphere falls within the scope of this opportunity.



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Eligibility is currently open to:

- U.S. Citizens;
- U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR);
- Foreign Nationals eligible for an Exchange Visitor J-1 visa status; and,
- Applicants for LPR, asylees, or refugees in the U.S. at the time of application with 1) a valid EAD card and 2) I-485 or I-589 forms in pending status

Questions about this opportunity? Please email npp@orau.org

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Eligibility Requirements

- **Degree:** Doctoral Degree.