

**Opportunity Title:** Laboratory Animal Assistant

**Opportunity Reference Code:** APHC-2019-0016

**Organization** U.S. Department of Defense (DOD)

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**How to Apply** Components of the online application are as follows:

- Profile Information
- Educational and Employment History
- Essay Questions (goals, experiences, and skills relevant to the opportunity)
- Resume (PDF)
- Transcripts/Academic Records - [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts](#)
- Recommendation(s)

Submitted documents must have all social security numbers, student identification numbers, and/or dates of birth removed (blacked out, blackened out, made illegible, etc.) prior to uploading into the application system.

If you have questions, send an email to [ARMY-PHC@orise.orau.gov](mailto:ARMY-PHC@orise.orau.gov). Please list the reference code of this opportunity in the subject line of the email.

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

**Description** The mission of United States Army Public Health Center (APHC) is to enhance Army readiness by identifying and assessing current and emerging health threats, developing and communicating public health solutions, and assuring the quality and effectiveness of the Army's Public Health Enterprise. Their vision is to be a world-class provider of public health services across the Army and DOD. For more information about APHC please visit <https://phc.amedd.army.mil>. The Quality Systems and Regulatory Compliance Office optimizes the quality, reliability, and effectiveness of APHC products/services through monitoring, assessing, and education. The goal of the office is to achieve integrity in the testing and resultant data of accredited programs and human, animal, and environmental safety.

Under the direction of the mentor, the participant will take part in supporting the Veterinary Support Office (VSO) in achieving the mission of providing quality care for all animals used at APHC. The participant will collaborate with the research staff in their mission of quality research in respect to the use of laboratory animals, acting as a resource center for the research staff on all issues relating to laboratory animals, and collaborating with the institute in meeting its goal of humane treatment of laboratory animals. The participant will be mentored in the development and maintenance of training programs and standard operating procedures. This learning opportunity will allow the participant to be actively involved with all aspects of maintaining an accredited animal care facility, enabling the participant to learn practices and systems that are in use in laboratory animal research, an often under recognized discipline in the STEM program, in the Federal government as well as the private sector and academia.

#### **Appointment Length**

This appointment is a twelve month research appointment, with the possibility to be renewed for additional research periods. Appointments may be extended depending on funding availability, project assignment, program rules, and availability of the participant.

#### **Participant Benefits**



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Participants will receive a stipend to be determined by APHC. 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

**Nature of Appointment**













The participant will not enter into an employee/employer relationship with ORISE, ORAU, DOD, or any other office or agency. Instead, the participant will be affiliated with ORISE for the administration of the appointment through the ORISE appointment letter and Terms of Appointment.

**Additional Information**

While participants will not enter into an employment relationship with DOD or any other agency, this opportunity will require a suitability investigation/background investigation. Any offer made is considered tentative pending favorable outcome of the investigation.

**Qualifications** The participant should have animal handling experience and college coursework in Animal Sciences or Biological Sciences.

- Eligibility Requirements**

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
  - **Degree:** High School Diploma/GED, Associate's Degree, or Bachelor's Degree received within the last 60 months or anticipated to be received by 7/15/2024 12:00:00 AM.
  - **Academic Level(s):** Post-Associate's, Post-Bachelor's, or Undergraduate Students.
  - **Discipline(s):**
    - **Chemistry and Materials Sciences** ([12](#) )
    - **Communications and Graphics Design** ([2](#) )
    - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** ([16](#) )
    - **Earth and Geosciences** ([21](#) )
    - **Engineering** ([27](#) )
    - **Environmental and Marine Sciences** ([14](#) )
    - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([45](#) )
    - **Mathematics and Statistics** ([10](#) )
    - **Other Non-Science & Engineering** ([2](#) )
    - **Physics** ([16](#) )
    - **Science & Engineering-related** ([1](#) )
    - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** ([27](#) )
  - **Age:** Must be 18 years of age
  - **Veteran Status:** Veterans Preference, degree received within the last 120 month(s).