

Opportunity Title: Automation of Measurement Tools for Porous Silicon

Characterization

Opportunity Reference Code: ARL-C-SEDD-300078

Organization DEVCOM Army Research Laboratory

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Application Deadline 10/14/2026 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description About the Research

The goal of this project is to develop software routines to automate the characterization of reactive porous silicon, including automated ignition of the reactive porous silicon as well as optical characterization via image capture and storage. The project will develop machine learning algorithms based on images acquired to determine the overall structural integrity of reactive porous silicon both post-etch and pre-ignition. These automated algorithms will be trained to determine surface cracking and inadequate oxidizer filling to monitor device performance. Additionally, the project calls for developing test routines for Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA) devices using Verilog and Very High Speed Integrated Circuit Hardware Description Language in support of current customer efforts.

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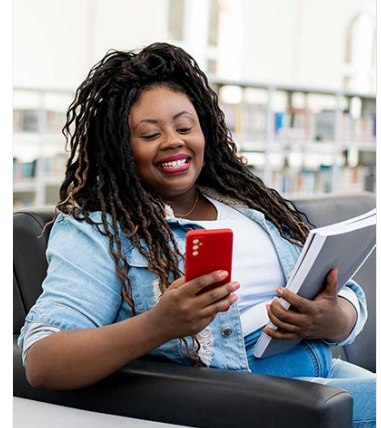
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developments in diverse fields such as: applied mathematics, atmospheric characterization, simulation and human modeling, digital/optical signal processing, nanotechnology, material science and technology, multifunctional technology, combustion processes, propulsion and flight physics, communication and networking, and computational and information sciences.

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 [Research Areas](#))
- 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
ARLFellowship@orau.org

**Eligibility
Requirements**

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree.
- **Academic Level(s):** Any academic level.
- **Discipline(s):**
 - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** ([14](#) )
 - **Engineering** ([3](#) )