



## UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

INL develops and implements collaboration-based programs that meet INL's short- and long-term workforce needs by investing in strategic regional and national education and research partnerships.

We support college undergraduate interns, graduate students, and university research efforts.

Academic institutions and researchers benefit from access to INL resources, capabilities and expertise. University partnerships help INL advance energy research, production and safety.

INL provides students, teachers, and professors the opportunity to learn how to solve real-world problems under the tutelage of world-renowned scientific and technical experts.

INL has strong relationships with schools throughout the United States and actively encourages its scientists and engineers to collaborate with their university peers on research and other projects. To foster those relationships and make it easier for INL researchers to collaborate, the following programs are offered:

### EMPLOYEE EDUCATION

INL is committed to ensuring our employees have the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed at work by supporting educational opportunities in areas related to laboratory missions, needs, and strategic goals. The program allows qualified employees to take courses from accredited colleges and universities for the following

purposes: degree seeking, continuing education, or professional licenses and certifications.

### EXCHANGES

Academic visitor and international researcher exchanges promote an interactive culture and enhance research collaboration between INL and outside researchers.

### INTERNSHIPS

A robust paid internship program for high school through graduate students to gain experience by working on real-world projects under the guidance of mentors who are experts in their field.

### **JOINT APPOINTMENTS**

Enabling INL and university staff researchers to enhance R&D collaboration by developing and conducting research at both INL and university facilities. Joint appointees contribute to the mission of both their home and host institutions.

### **NATIONAL UNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM**

Engaging in collaborative research that strengthens the portfolios of INL and the partner universities to further the nation's strategic nuclear energy objectives.

### **POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH**

Postdoctoral appointments are reserved for individuals that have recently received their qualifying doctorate degree and are provided a mentored research experience that enables these individuals the opportunity to gain hands-on laboratory research and development experience and the highest quality of training to prepare for transition to research independence.

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