

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **FY2020 NDSEG Awardees Selected**

ARLINGTON, Virginia – The Department of Defense (DoD) is excited to announce the selection of the 2020 National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship awardees.

For the Fellowship term beginning September 2020, the DoD has selected 162 exceptionally qualified individuals at 57 institutions nationwide in research topics relevant to DoD interests. Each awardee's NDSEG Fellowship lasts for three years and pays for full tuition and all mandatory fees; a monthly stipend; provides a travel budget over the Fellow's tenure for professional development; and provides annual health insurance funding. Our objective through the NDSEG Fellowship and its mentorship program initiatives is to **Propel** these talented individuals to the forefront of many discoveries and innovations relevant to the DoD; **Promote** the growth of scientists/engineers within relevant DoD research disciplines; and support DoD science, engineering, and technology **Innovations Now and in the Future**.

The DoD NDSEG Fellowship Program, established in 1989 by direction of Congress and sponsored by the Army, Navy, and Air Force, serves as a means of increasing the number of United States citizens trained in science and engineering disciplines of military importance. This program is designed to encourage Baccalaureate recipients to enter Graduate school and ultimately gain Doctorates which align to the DoD services Broad Agency Announcements (BAAs) in research and development.

Since program inception, over 4,000 fellowships have been awarded and over 60,000 applications received. DoD plans to award new three-year graduate fellowships each fiscal year (subject to the availability of funds) to individuals who have demonstrated ability and special aptitude for advanced training in science and engineering.

You can find the preliminary FY2020 NDSEG Fellowship Awardee List at https://ndseg.sysplus.com/NDSEG/Awardees/FY2020.

The FY2021 NDSEG Fellowship application period opens on 3 August 2020 and will close on 2 November 2020.

The NDSEG Fellowship is managed by Systems Plus, Inc., based in Rockville, Maryland. To learn more about the NDSEG Fellowship program, please visit the website at <a href="https://ndseg.sysplus.com">https://ndseg.sysplus.com</a>.