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Policy and Global Affairs Division Fellowships Office

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## Dear Colleague:

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine is pleased to announce opportunities for postdoctoral, senior and graduate fellowship awards in the 2016 NRC Research Associateship Programs. We have enclosed a news release, a brochure, and a poster suitable for publicizing these programs. We would be grateful for your assistance in bringing this information to the attention of your graduate students and faculty.

Detailed program information, including instructions on how to submit applications, a list of participating laboratories and their locations, and areas of research, can be found on our website - <a href="https://www.nationalacademies.org/rap">www.nationalacademies.org/rap</a>. Prior to applying, prospective applicants must contact Research Adviser(s) at the lab(s) to discuss their research interests. Applicants are invited to contact the Fellowships Office at 202-334-2760 or <a href="mailto:rap@nas.edu">rap@nas.edu</a> if additional information or assistance is required.

Thank you for your effort on behalf of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.

Sincerely yours,

H. Ray Gamble Director

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# NRC Research Associateship Programs

## Applications Sought for Postdoctoral, Senior, and Graduate Fellowship Awards

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Fall 2015

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine announce postdoctoral, senior and graduate fellowship opportunities in the 2016 NRC Research Associateship Programs. These awards are administered on behalf of federal research laboratories and affiliated institutions in over 100 locations throughout the United States. These programs provide opportunities for Ph.D., Sc.D. or M.D. scientists and engineers of unusual promise and ability to perform research on problems largely of their own choosing, yet compatible with the research interests of the sponsoring laboratory. Initiated in 1954, the NRC Research Associateship Programs have contributed to the career development of more than 16,000 scientists and engineers ranging from young researchers and recent doctoral recipients to distinguished senior scientists.

NRC Research Associateships will be awarded on a competitive basis in 2016 for research in the fields of chemistry; earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences; engineering, applied sciences, computer sciences and mathematics; life and biomedical sciences; and physics. Many of the sponsoring laboratories are open to both U.S. citizens and foreign nationals.

Awards are made for one or two years and are renewable for a maximum of three years; senior applicants who have held the doctorate at least five years may receive awards for shorter periods. Annual stipends for recent doctoral recipients range from \$45,000 to \$80,000 depending upon the sponsoring laboratory, and are appropriately higher for senior awards. Graduate entry level stipends begin at \$30,000 and are higher for additional experience.

Associates receive health insurance, financial support for allowable relocation expenses and an allowance for professional travel. The host laboratory provides facilities, supplies, equipment and other support services required for the conduct of the research program.

Contact with the Research Adviser/mentor at the proposed sponsoring laboratory, including discussion of the proposed project, is necessary prior to submitting a formal application. Application deadlines are February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1 for reviews conducted in mid-March, mid-June, mid-September and mid-December, respectively. Awards are made based on review scores; applicants are typically notified of their award status 4-6 weeks following conclusion of each review. Detailed program information, including instructions on how to apply online, is available on the Fellowships Office website at <a href="https://www.nationalacademies.org/rap">www.nationalacademies.org/rap</a>. Questions should be directed to:

Fellowships Office, 500 Fifth Street NW, Washington, DC 20001

Tel: (202) 334-2760 Email: rap@nas.edu

Application deadlines: FEBRUARY 1, MAY 1, AUGUST 1, NOVEMBER 1

Qualified Applicants will be reviewed without regard to race, color, age, religion, sex or national origin.

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