New Mexico Intelligence Community Centers for Academic Excellence (IC-CAE)  
National Security Studies Program, Critical Technology Studies Program

2021 Summer Research Funding Opportunities  
for UNM Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Up to 40 students from the 10 NSSP/CTSP Consortium campuses (including UNM main campus) will be chosen for stipends of $3,000 to conduct research, write an 8-page research paper, and present a poster on a topic involving global, national or human security and critical technology. Students will work under the supervision of a designated faculty member/mentor. Projects must be completed during the summer (ideally in June - July). Stipends will be awarded in the summer term when the project paper and a poster are submitted, reviewed, and accepted. Posters will be presented at the Annual UNM Global, National, and Human Security Symposium September 14-15, in Albuquerque. Select papers may be chosen for an oral presentation by their authors at the Symposium.

Eligibility

Applicants must be U.S. citizens have interest in global and national security and/or participated in NSSP/CTSP academic programs, meetings, sponsored courses and/or sponsored events. Students with a major or minor in computer science, information technology, engineering, applied math, statistics, physical or natural sciences, national security or studies using critical or quantitative analysis such as in geography, psychology, economics, political science, security studies, international studies, or sociology are eligible. You must have a successful academic record with course work related to your research topic and must supply the name of a faculty member who is willing to work with you as a mentor on your project. Women, minority, and non-traditional students are strongly encouraged to apply. By applying for a summer research project, you indicate your interest in and willingness to participate in future NSSP/CTSP activities.

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2021 Summer CTSP-NSSP Research Application Form

Name: ______________________________ Institution and ID #:

Your best Email address: __________________________ Telephone:

Name and Email address of a faculty mentor or campus coordinator:

The application must be submitted no later than May 3, 2021, but we encourage you to apply as soon as possible – notification of acceptance is by May 14. If you have questions or want more information or help with the application, contact Ken Carpenter, NSSP/CTSP Academic Coordinator: carpenk@unm.edu or your campus coordinator. You must be a US citizen and you will receive $3,000 when the paper and a suitable poster are completed and accepted.

Project Proposal

Please include the following as attachments if necessary:
1. A brief description (<150 words) of a topic or question that you would like to propose for your summer research project. This may be a specific technical, policy, or security issue which you will analyze and provide judgements on or a topic you are interested in and you will provide an in-depth situational awareness analysis.

2. A brief description (<75 words) of why you think you have the background to take on this project: e.g., courses you have taken in the subject area, other research you have done or your related work experience, etc.

Signature ___________________________________________ Date

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