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NRC Awards \$9 Million in Academic Grants to Support Nuclear Science and Engineering Fields

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission announced today that it has awarded 25 grants to 20 academic institutions, including two minority-serving institutions, in 20 U.S. states, totaling more than \$9 million. Recipients include four-year universities and colleges, two-year trade schools and community colleges.

“We must continue to strongly encourage interest in nuclear and radiological safety by highly qualified student and faculty professionals through grant incentives,” said NRC Chairman Christopher T. Hanson. “As a safety regulator, we remain committed to sponsoring educational programs that offer college and university recipients an opportunity to advance the pursuit of careers in nuclear engineering, health physics, radiochemistry, and related sciences.”

The University Nuclear Leadership Program, authorized by Congress, directed the NRC to provide federal funding opportunities to qualified U.S. academic institutions. The UNLP aids in bolstering nuclear engineering and related programs to ensure the next generation of scientists and engineers are prepared for evolving future challenges.

These grants include four undergraduate scholarships, one trade scholarship, nine graduate fellowships, and 11 faculty development awards. Each undergraduate scholarship provides up to \$20,000 in financial support to students over the course of the two-year program, and each graduate fellowship provides up to \$200,000 over the course of the four-year program.

The NRC’s trade and community college scholarships provide financial support of up to \$10,000 to students over the course of the two-year program, and faculty development awards provide up to \$450,000 over a single three-year period.

Since the grant program’s inception in 2009, the NRC has awarded 598 educational grants totaling more than \$192 million, of which 106 were awarded to minority-serving institutions. This amount includes funding for 166 faculty development grants, 146 scholarship grants, 173 fellowship grants, and 86 trade school and community college scholarship grants. These grants have been awarded to more than 165 individual faculty members and 4,500 students located in 38 states and Puerto Rico.

The complete list of grants awarded and general information regarding the grant program are available on the NRC’s [public website](http://www.grants.gov). The NRC announces grant opportunities on www.grants.gov, which enables the public to find and apply for federal funding opportunities. The NRC will issue its next Notice of Funding Opportunity for educational grants in July 2022.

The full list of new academic awards, recipients and amounts are below:

TYPE OF AWARD	UNIVERSITY	CITY/STATE	AMOUNT OF AWARD
Faculty Development	Pennsylvania State University	University Park, Pennsylvania	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	Oregon State University	Corvallis, Oregon	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	University of Tennessee	Knoxville, Tennessee	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	University of Nevada, Reno	Reno, Nevada	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	Purdue University	West Lafayette, Indiana	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	Texas A&M University	College Station, Texas	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	San Jose State University	San Jose, California	\$ 300,000.00
Faculty Development	Idaho State University	Pocatello, Idaho	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	Blacksburg, Virginia	\$ 350,168.00
Faculty Development	Ohio State University	Columbus, Ohio	\$ 450,000.00
Faculty Development	Clemson University	Clemson, South Carolina	\$ 450,000.00
Fellowship	Idaho State University	Pocatello, Idaho	\$ 394,695.00
Fellowship	University of Alabama at Birmingham	Birmingham, Alabama	\$ 373,735.00
Fellowship	Clemson University	Clemson, South Carolina	\$ 400,000.00
Fellowship	City University of New York (CUNY)	New York, New York	\$ 399,168.00
Fellowship	University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, Michigan	\$ 400,000.00
Fellowship	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Worcester, Massachusetts	\$ 399,942.00
Fellowship	Colorado School of Mines	Golden, Colorado	\$ 400,000.00
Fellowship	Pennsylvania State University	University Park, Pennsylvania	\$ 400,000.00
Fellowship	Oregon State University	Corvallis, Oregon	\$ 400,000.00
Scholarship	Thomas Edison State University	Trenton, New Jersey	\$ 199,523.00
Scholarship	Louisiana State University	Baton Rouge, Louisiana	\$ 199,998.00
Scholarship	Western Carolina University	Cullowhee, North Carolina	\$ 200,000.00
Scholarship	Idaho State University	Pocatello, Idaho	\$ 192,390.00
Trade/Community College Scholarship	Bismarck State College	Bismarck, North Dakota	\$ 131,163.00
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