

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

FACT SHEET

• WHAT IS NSF?

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is an independent agency of the Federal Government established by Congress in 1950 to promote and advance scientific progress in the United States. We fulfill this responsibility primarily by funding research and education projects in science and engineering across all disciplines. NSF's program achievements have major scientific impact both nationally and internationally. Nearly 200,000 individuals, ranging from senior scientist working at industrial labs to high school students attending summer enrichment programs, are direct participants in NSF's programs.

• WHERE IS NSF?

Housed in a 12-story, modern facility surrounding a spacious atrium, NSF is located at Stafford Place, 4201 Wilson Boulevard in the Ballston section of Arlington, Virginia. Because of its central location in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area, our facility is convenient to hotels, restaurants, shopping malls, and residential areas. NSF is close to the campuses of Marymount University and George Mason University and is just minutes away from downtown Washington, which offers scores of tourist attractions. Washington National Airport, also nearby, is readily accessible by auto or subway.

• WHY IS NSF A GREAT EMPLOYER

COMPREHENSIVE BENEFITS

- A wide variety of cost-shared health insurance plans
- Life insurance coverage options
- Comprehensive retirement benefits
- Tax-deferred Thrift Savings Plan
- 13 to 26 days annual (vacation) leave, based on length of service
- 13 paid sick leave days per year
- Flexible working hours
- 10 paid holidays
- Overtime pay or compensatory time off
- Injury Compensation

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

- After Hours Program
- Avenues for Career Enhancement (ACE) Program
- Leadership Development Program
- Information Systems Curriculum
- Formal and specialized training courses
- Learning Resources Center (books, videos, cassette tapes, workbooks)

SPECIAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

- Merit Promotion Program
- Disabled Veterans Program

- Veterans Readjustment Authority Program
- Presidential Management Intern Program
- Outstanding Scholar Program
- Bilingual/Bicultural Program
- Selective Placement Program for Persons with Disabilities
- Student Career Experience Program
- Student Temporary Employment Program
- Student Volunteer Program
- Summer Employment Program

EMPLOYEE SERVICES

- Credit Union
- Wellness Program (which includes a Health Services Unit and a wide range of employee assistance and health enhancement services)
- Child Development Center
- Local 3403. American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO
- National Science Foundation Employees Association
- Well-equipped physical fitness facility
- Aerobics classes
- Modern work settings and the latest in office technology

TRANSPORTATION/PARKING

- Metro subsidy for qualifying employees
- Convenient metrorail service (skywalk from Orange line, Ballston Metro Station)
- Commercially operated parking garages in the building at reasonable daily and monthly rates
- Nearby metrobus connections

• HOW TO APPLY?

Vacancy announcements are available on our World Wide Web site at <https://www.nsf.gov/oirm/>. You may write or visit: National Science Foundation, Division of Human Resource Management, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 315, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

NSF IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER COMMITTED TO EMPLOYING A HIGHLY QUALIFIED STAFF THAT REFLECTS THE DIVERSITY OF OUR NATION.

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