

## **National Weather Service State College undergraduate meteorology volunteer program**

The *formal* program is geared toward enrolled ***undergraduates in meteorology***. Students normally apply before the coming semester or summer season to volunteer at the Weather Forecast Office. The process is competitive and is limited to 1-2 students per semester and summer. *These are unpaid positions.*

This program provides selected college students with the experience of performing a mentored meteorological research project, presenting a briefing on their research, and assisting in operations at an NWS forecast office in State College, Pennsylvania.

Students will be selected after a *competitive application and interview process*. Students wishing to apply to the student volunteer program must submit an application and include:

- A completed [volunteer application](#) form which will include available work days and times in their application. (application form)
- A resume
- A full transcript of all coursework
- Students must be at an accredited college or University and have at least 3.0 GPA

Expectations of the students volunteering at the NWS State College include:

- Volunteer for approximately 8 hours per week during the autumn or spring semester
- Or 16-20 hours per week from late May through early August.
- Work on an assigned research project with a meteorologist.
- Complete specific goals of both the school and the NWS.
- Student may be enrolled in an independent studies course.

Students will be required to complete a research project during their time at the office. Historically, Penn State University students volunteer and enroll in METEO 496, these student must complete a paper for their advisor covering their experiences.

[Volunteer application.](#)