

SCOuT Program



Learn and experience the wide variety of careers and operational duties available in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and National Weather Service!

Please note: This opportunity is currently operating as an unpaid volunteer experience. Program leaders will remain flexible with selected individuals to ensure the best balance between collegiate studies and workforce experience.

What might you do during your volunteer (unpaid) time during the Spring Semester?

- Opportunity to conduct job shadows of multiple operational meteorologists, hydrologists and other environmental science professionals at nearby National Weather Service offices or other NOAA facilities
- Guided training plans aimed at increasing an array of meteorological and hydrological knowledge while learning about numerous different career fields in the agency
- Interact regularly with National Weather Service personnel to gain helpful insight on a wide variety of topics including resume building, work-life balance, and future goals of the agency
- Develop a strong network of connections that can help individuals navigate the transition into the federal workforce

What types of (dedicated) students are we looking for?

- Highly-motivated students who are interested in exploring NOAA and/or NWS careers¹
- Active Sophomore, Junior, Senior or Graduate student majoring in meteorology, atmospheric science, hydrology, engineering, geology or related major
- Student must have completed at least two courses in meteorology, atmospheric science or a related field prior to the Spring Semester of the current school year
- Currently in good standing, academic and/or otherwise, with their institution
- Exhibits strong communication and adaptability skills (to handle the virtual aspect of the program)

What does the application process involve?

- Applicants will be required to fill out the application form that includes the most recent unofficial transcript, references, and short document discussing your interests and future goals
- Applications will be screened by the program leaders, NWS mentors, and a university representative.

How do I submit an application?

- The application form can be found at <u>weather.gov/education/scout</u>.
- Application windows may vary by university, so please contact either your university advisor or one of the program leaders below for specific deadlines.

Questions can be sent to either Jason Frazier or Steve LaVoie.

¹ Participation in this program neither guarantees nor requires a future job in the National Weather Service.