

NSF Federal Cyber Service: Scholarship For Service

Northeastern University was awarded a Federal Cyber Service grant from the National Science Foundation to educate graduate and undergraduate students in information assurance and cyber security. We anticipate 10 or more positions available to graduate and undergraduate students.

Eligibility

- Majors in Cybersecurity, Computer Science, Information Science, Information Assurance, or Computer Engineering
- A second or third year undergraduate, or first year MS students (scholarship will cover the last two years of studies)
- In a combined BS/MS program or for PhD programs, students will be covered for at most three years before graduation
- American citizen or permanent resident
- Interest in a Cybersecurity career
- Undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0
- Able to meet the established criteria for U.S. federal employment
- Eligible for a U.S. security clearance

Benefits

All students

- Full tuition scholarship (while in school)
- Coverage of health fee up to \$3,000 per year and all required activity fees
- Professional development funds up to \$4,000 per year, including travel funds to attend Cybersecurity related conferences/activities
- Advising from Cybersecurity faculty
- Textbook funds up to \$2,000 per year

Undergraduate students

- The Scholarship program will support the equivalent of 4 full semesters during the last years of a student's degree program
- Annual academic stipend (\$22,500 for two academic semesters)

Graduate students

- Annual academic stipend (\$34,000 for two academic semesters)
- Opportunity to mentor undergraduates participating in the program

Please note that participation in the program is limited to two years except students in Combined BS/MS or PhD programs.

Student Obligation

- Complete the degree program successfully
- Complete co-op at Federal Agency, State and Local-Agency, Independent Agency, Government Corporation, Commission, or Quasi-Official Agency, or at a National Laboratory that signs a memorandum of understanding establishing parameters for participation
- Complete two or three years of work at a participating agency upon graduation, depending on the number of years of support.

Application Materials

- Completed Northeastern University's Federal Cyber Service: Scholarship for Service Application Form
- Resume listing all education, employment history, extracurricular activities and interests
- Copies of transcripts from all colleges attended
- At least 2 letters of recommendations (one from a faculty member)
- 2-5 page personal statement describing the applicant's interest and past experiences (if any) with cybersecurity

Deadline for full consideration: March 15

The committee will start meeting the following week and will consider applications until all positions are filled.

Questions?

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