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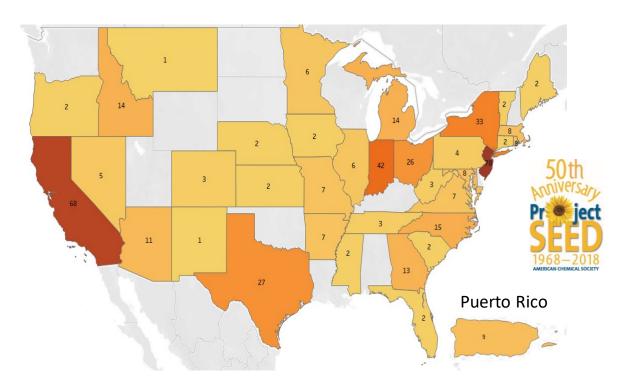




Project SEED – Fifty years and Counting

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- SEED Summer Experiences for the Economically Disadvantaged
- Offers paid, hands-on, research opportunities for high school students from low-income households
- Offers one-year and renewable scholarships for 30+ students each year
- Over 400 students across the U.S. participate each year, over 10,000 participants since the program's inception
- Over 500 people volunteer to serve as coordinators, mentors, or additional support for the many sites across the U.S. and U.S. territories each year



Active site locations for Summer 2019





How is Project SEED Funded?

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Project SEED student, Sophia Cornish at North Carolina State University.

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Project SEED students, Victoria Chaparro and Lucia Seide at Northeastern University.

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SEED Student Stipends - \$1.37 MM for Summer 2019

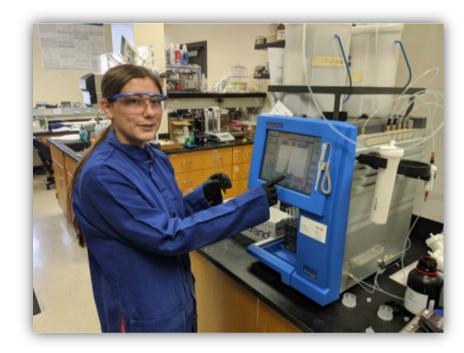
- Corporate contributions
- Member and donor contributions
- Project SEED Endowment Interest
- ACS contributions
- Local Matching Funds (more to come on this topic)



Student Eligibility Criteria

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- Student must be enrolled in high school
- Student must have taken at least one chemistry course
- Student's family must qualify as low-income (200% of Federal Poverty Guideline for family size)
- A SEED program must be available in your location (check the website)
- Be sure to check the website for any updated information on eligibility criteria



Project SEED student, Adriana Sanchez at the University of San Diego working on a microwave reactor.

Photo Credit: Christopher Daley



Student Benefits

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Project SEED Students at NYITCOM College of Osteopathic Medicine at Arkansas State University.

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- Paid work for 8-10 weeks of participation
- Meaningful research opportunities and exposure to chemistry-related fields
- Mentoring and coaching opportunities to prepare for college
- Opportunity to present research at a poster session
- Opportunity to apply for Project SEED Scholarships if pursuing a chemistryrelated degree





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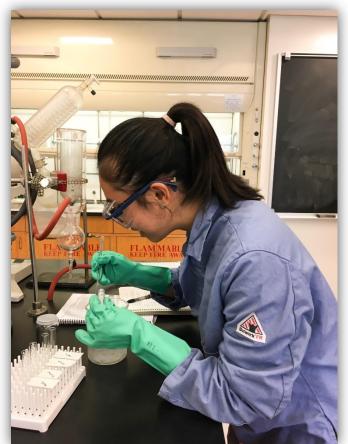


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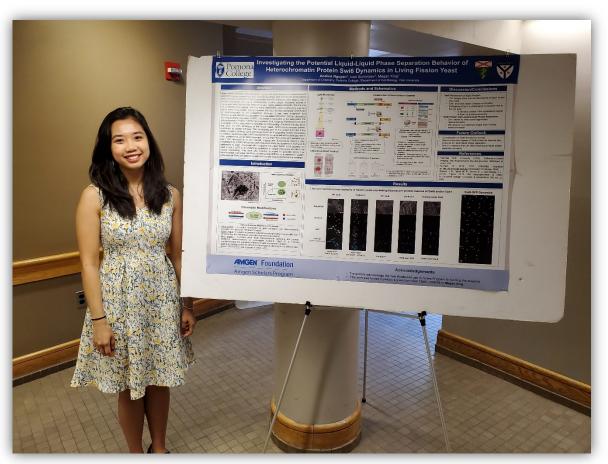


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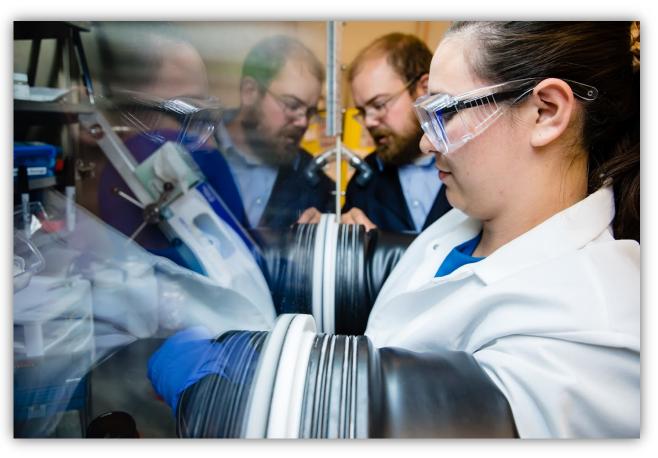


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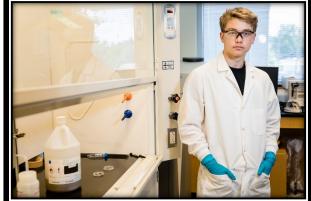


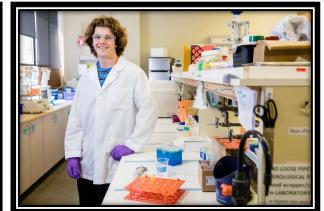












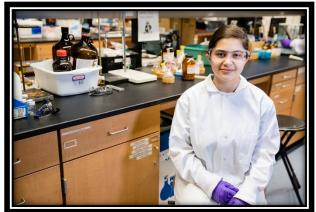


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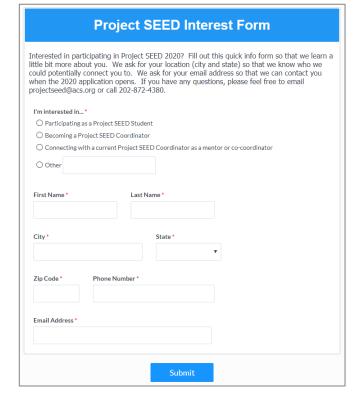


How to Start a Site

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Project SEED Roles

- Coordinator: This person serves as the representative of the SEED site, manages paperwork, identifying students, and identifying matching funds*
- Mentor: Works directly with the student on the research project. Provides the abstract and a short description of what the student will be doing in the lab.
- Co-Mentors/Support/Liaisons: Help with the day-to-day supervision responsibilities of the student. Can be post-docs, graduate students, undergraduate students, or technologists.



Getting Started

- Go the Project SEED website and fill out the link to show interest
- Review the information on the "Coordinate a Program" page of the website
- Build your team
- ✓ Reach out to your ACS Local Section to see if there is support available (financial, programming, etc.)
- ✓ Contact potential people at your campus to serve as a mentor. Ask them to prepare an abstract and summary of the project the student will work on.
- ✓ Identify a high school teacher, principal, counselor, or school district science leader to advertise to their students



How to Contribute in Other Ways



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Interested in participating, but don't have the means to host an entire site? See if there is a nearby SEED site and consider doing one of the following:

- Host Project SEED students in your area for a quick tour of your site/campus
- Volunteer to help another site with recruitment or management of their SEED site
- Volunteer to talk to the students about career paths in chemistry, what the college experience is like, or any number of topics
- Email Projectseed@acs.org to get connected with a coordinator



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Donating to ACS Project SEED

Your **entire donation** supports a student research stipend.

- \$2,500 per student for first summer
- \$3,000 per student for second summer

ACS pays all administrative costs.



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Project SEED College Scholarships

\$5,000 per year for student majoring in the chemical sciences.

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Funding for the program comes from Project SEED sites as well as:

- Individuals
- Corporations
- Foundations



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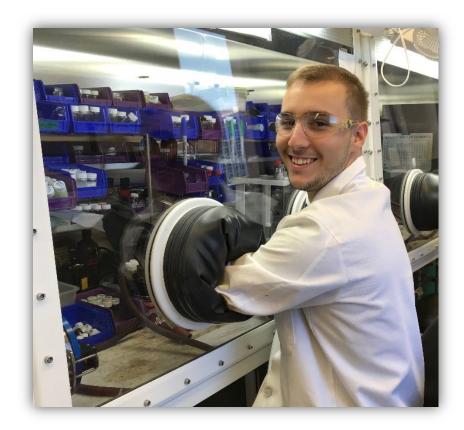


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- Check mailed to ACS
- Donor Advised Fund recommendation
- IRAs or securities
- Gift in honor or memory
- Matching funds through employer





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