NOAA/NWS Phoenix, AZ  
Mentorship Program  

Winter 2018-2019 Session - Announcement

Applications Due Fri 30 Nov 2018 || Selections Made by Wed 19 Dec 2018

The NOAA National Weather Service (NWS) Phoenix, AZ office is once again offering the Student Mentorship Program for Winter 2018-2019. The program pairs NWS meteorologists with local meteorology students, allowing for a mutually beneficial sharing of information. Applicants must be current undergraduate/graduate students pursuing a degree in meteorology or a related field in good academic standing. Approximately 3-6 students will be selected.

Program Goals:

● Provide students with guidance as they develop individual career goals and realize their potential for personal growth.
● Increase student awareness of career opportunities in meteorology, including the NWS, and broader trends in the field.
● Expose students to the professional environment of operational meteorologists.
● Give NWS meteorologists insights into desired skill sets of today’s students.

Program Structure:

● The program is free form, with the exact structure of how to fulfill the program goals left to the mentor/mentee. One to two meetings per month of 1-3 hours is suggested.
● The program coordinator will also meet 1-2 times with each mentee to check on the status of the program and answer any additional questions.

Suggested Topics:

● Career counseling; help with resumes/applications; answer questions related to the NWS including deeper details on services, forecasting, and messaging; aspects of weather/climatology; identify other potential career-enhancing opportunities, etc.
● Identify a small project that benefits the student and NWS Phoenix.
● Attend an outreach event (such as a Skywarn Spotter talk).

Application Submit to Paul.Iniguez@noaa.gov. Please include 1) a resume, 2) a cover letter expressing current experience and career interests/aspirations, and 3) unofficial transcripts.