**Research Experiences at NSF-Funded Startups & Small Businesses**

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***About the National Science Foundation’s Small Business Program***

At NSF, Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIR/STTR) is an approximately $160 million program that catalyzes the commercialization of high-risk technological innovations via research and development grants to small businesses and startups. Phase II SBIR/STTR grantees receive $750K over a two year period. ([nsf.gov/eng/iip/sbir/index.jsp](http://www.nsf.gov/eng/iip/sbir/index.jsp))

***Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU), High School Students (RAHSS), Teachers (RET), & Veterans (VRS)***

NSF’s REU, RAHSS, RET, and VRS supplemental funding through SBIR/STTR supports active participation in science, engineering, and education research by students, teachers, community college faculty, and veterans in an entrepreneurial setting. These supplement programs seek to expand student/teacher/veteran participation in all kinds of research—both disciplinary and interdisciplinary. They draw on the integration of research and education to attract a diverse talent pool into careers in science and engineering. ([nsf.gov/eng/iip/sbir/portfolio/researchexp.jsp](http://www.nsf.gov/eng/iip/sbir/portfolio/researchexp.jsp); email: SBIRresearchexp@nsf.gov).



During the [**Spring semester of 2015**, **ACME INDUSTRIES,]** an active NSF SBIR/STTR Phase II grantee, is looking for **[a(n)** **undergrad, teacher, CC faculty, veteran]** to participate in the **[REU/RAHSS/RET/VRS]** program. All research will be done at the [**Springfield, Missouri]** facility.

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We are looking for a [**student/teacher/cc faculty/veteran]** meeting the following criteria:

 **- [Section with specific requirements (e.g. a JR/SR in EE with at least a 2.5 gpa)**

 **- Must be able to lift 25#; etc. Must attend any of the following (local) univ/colleges, etc.**

 **- RAHSS students must reside within a 20 mi radius of the company.]**

The selected **[student/teacher/cc faculty/veteran will conduct the following research activities..**XXXXXX

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We will accept applications through [**December 31, 2014].** Please email a 1 page resume and 1 page letter of interest with your contact information to [**SPRING-REU@acme-indstries.com**].