

Public Law 115–303  
115th Congress

An Act

To amend the National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 to strengthen the aerospace workforce pipeline by the promotion of Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program and National Aeronautics and Space Administration internship and fellowship opportunities to women, and for other purposes.

Dec. 11, 2018  
[H.R. 4254]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the “Women in Aerospace Education Act”.

Women in  
Aerospace  
Education Act.  
42 USC 1861  
note.

**SEC. 2. ROBERT NOYCE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–368; 42 U.S.C. 1862n et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 10(a)(3)(A)(iv), by inserting “, including research experiences at national laboratories and NASA centers” before the semicolon; and

42 USC 1862n–1.

(2) in section 10A(c)(4)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

42 USC  
1862n–1a.

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(C) providing internship opportunities for fellows, including research experiences at national laboratories and NASA Centers.”

(b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to grants awarded on or after October 1, 2018.

42 USC 1862n–1  
note.

**SEC. 3. NASA INTERNSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.**

Not later than October 1, 2018, the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (in this section referred to as “NASA”) shall institute a process to encourage the recruitment of qualified candidates who are women or individuals who are underrepresented in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and computer science for

Deadline.  
51 USC 40901  
note prec.

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internships and fellowships at NASA with relevance to the aerospace sector and related fields.

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