









# COLLABORATION

## **INL/University Partnerships**

Idaho National Laboratory has strong relationships with schools throughout the United States and actively encourages its scientists and engineers to collaborate with their university peers on research and other projects.

To foster those relationships and make it easier for INL researchers to collaborate, the following programs are offered:

## **Academic Visitors**

University researchers who regularly meet with INL scientists and engineers (more than six weeks a year) may request a security badge through the academic visitors program.

Academic visitors must meet INL security badge requirements and undergo additional training that may be required for a specific facility.

An academic visitor does not receive any funding from INL but they can interact with lab employees and discuss topics of mutual interest and potential research collaborations.

## **Joint Appointments**

INL shares employees and resources with various universities in an effort to strengthen collaborative research interests.

Through the Joint Appointments Program, lab employees can collaborate with university personnel on specific projects.

Joint appointees contribute to the mission of both their home and host institutions by developing or conducting research.

Both INL and the universities contribute to a joint appointee's salary and related travel.

Joint appointees can also teach applicable courses while pursuing research.

### **Postdoctoral Researchers**

The goal of Idaho National Laboratory's Postdoctoral Research Associate Program is to develop postdoctoral researchers that support INL's role as the pre-eminent nuclear energy laboratory and as a leader in the development of unique national and homeland security capabilities and sustainable energy systems. In general, these appointments are reserved for individuals that have recently received their qualifying doctorate degree. Postdoctoral research associates are provided a mentored research experience and the highest quality of training to prepare for transition to research independence.

Selected through a competitive bid process, INL postdoctoral research associates complete a one- to three-year research experience that supports INL's science-based, applied engineering missions in nuclear and energy research, science and national defense. As a result, INL postdoctoral research appointees contribute to national priorities for the U.S. Department of Energy's missions in nuclear and energy research, science and national defense.

Postdoctoral students are selected based on their education, experience, publication record, references, and how they can contribute to INL research. These positions are full-time appointments and generally range from six to 37 months.

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