

MC-NIST-PREP Eligibility Requirements

- 1) You must be an MC student in a degree or certificate-seeking program and NOT be enrolled in a degree seeking program at another institution.
- 2) You do NOT have to be a U.S. citizen; however, you do need to be able to provide, after acceptance to the program, a current visa. (Note: There are some projects at NIST that do require U.S. citizenship, however, the majority do not.)
- 3) You have to have a social security number to share with MC after acceptance to the program. Stipend payments cannot be processed without this information.
- 4) Some lab-based projects require that interns be 18 years or older at the time the internship begins. However, many other projects do not have an age restriction.
- 5) The minimum GPA is 3.0. However, most applicants accepted to the program have GPAs higher than 3.0.
- 6) Typical applicants have completed or are taking at least two STEM classes. In general, the more STEM classes you have completed, the more qualified you would be for placement in various projects.
- 7) Priority is often given to students who are interested in STEM research or careers in coding and/or data science. This program is not typically a good fit for students pursuing areas such as nursing, for example.
- 8) See the Application Materials and FAQs link for additional guidance.