

# The HUTEP Institute On Postdoctorate Preparation

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The Howard University/The University of Texas at El Paso (HUTEP) Postdoctorate Institute is designed to prepare advanced STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and SBES (Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences) doctoral students for postdoctoral opportunities and to enhance their future postdoctoral experience. The Institute will be held in Washington, DC from September 25-27. This Institute is sponsored through a grant from the National Science Foundation and is part of an effort to address the underrepresentation of minorities in postdoctoral positions. Participants will have an opportunity to gain insights into how a postdoctoral experience can markedly influence a career in the academic, research, government and industrial sectors. Information on how to select an appropriate institution to provide both research and faculty opportunities, career advancement, and sources of support will be readily available. Institute participants will also have an opportunity to network with representatives of federal agencies, professional organizations, university faculties, current postdoctoral researchers and other doctoral students in their disciplines.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Student must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States and a member of an underrepresented racial/ethnic group (African American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian, Pacific Islander, and Alaskan Native).
- Student must be an advanced (at least 2<sup>nd</sup> yr) doctoral student in STEM or SBES disciplines.
- Student should be planning to apply for a postdoctoral position.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Fee: \$350 per institute attendee.
- Please make checks payable to Howard University and mail to: Francois Johnson, Howard University Graduate School, 4<sup>th</sup> & College Streets, NW, Washington, DC 20059
- Lodging (double occupancy) and meals will be paid by the HUTEP AGEP Program.

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## NOMINATION PROCESS

- Student must be nominated by a faculty member or by his/her institution's AGEP Program Director/Coordinator.
- **ATTENTION:** Applicants may ask their departmental advisor/mentor to nominate them or they may contact their institution's AGEP Program.
- AGEP Alliances may **nominate up to 2** students per alliance.
- Nomination forms can be downloaded at:  
<http://www.gs.howard.edu/agep/word/PDInf.doc>
- Nomination forms are due **August 29, 2008**. Forms may be faxed or emailed to the Howard University AGEP Program Director.

## Sessions and Workshops Include:

- Understanding Different Types of Postdocs
- Strategies for Finding the Right Postdoc
- How to Align Postdocs with Long-term Goals
- Writing Effective Grant Proposals
- Scientific Integrity and Responsible Conduct
- Teaching Postdocs
- What Defines a Good Postdoc
- Dual roles of being both the trainer and trainee