WHY APPLY?

INDUSTRY INSIGHT
See real workplaces and learn how your content connects to current careers.

CLASSROOM-READY IDEAS
Bring back hands-on activities, case studies, and current industry examples.

PROFESSIONAL NETWORK
Build relationships with employers and fellow educators across Idaho.

$5,000 STIPEND
Receive a stipend to support your participation and professional growth.



APPLY FOR THE EDUCATOR EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

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WHAT IS THE EDUCATOR EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM?



IDAHO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

THE GOAL

Connect Idaho educators with industry so they can bring current career insight, skills, and opportunities to their classroom.

WHAT YOU GAIN

- Current industry knowledge
- Career Pathway Awareness
- Classroom-ready ideas
- New professional connections

REAL-WORLD PROJECTS. CLASSROOM-READY INSIGHT.

Educator Externs work alongside industry professional, explore career pathways, and bring current workplace knowlege back to their students.



Cara Mia Dorrian
Elementary School Educator

Host Site: Idaho Division of Career Technical Education

"I have a better understanding of the importance of helping students see not only what they are learning, but why it matters and where it can take them."



Chad Harris
Middle School English

Host Site: Idaho National Laboratory

"I left the experience engergized, professionally renewed, and even more committed to helping students see themselves as capable scientists, innovators, and problem-solvers."



Addie Ashton
College & Career Counselor

Host Site: Micron

"By bringing current industry knowledge into counseling conversations, I can better help students and families understand the opportunities available in STEM and engineering fields."



IMPACT THAT RETURNS TO THE CLASSROOM

Elizabeth Bearden, Agriculture Education

While at the Cascade Chamber of Commerce, Elizabeth interviewed local employers and created career pathway maps that connect students to regional industries and workforce needs. She will use those relationships and resources to bring employer speakers, career-fair participation, job shadows, and work-based learning opportunities to students.

Brittany Sanchez, Biological & Computer Science

While at Micron, Brittany shadowed employees across wafer-processing operations and learned about the skills needed in microelectronics careers. She developed a wafer-fabrication lab and employee-informed career resources to bring semiconductor concepts and local career opportunities into her chemistry, forensics, and physical science classes.

Samuel Davis, Middle School Math

While at UA Local 648 Plumbers and Pipefitters, Samuel supported records work, inventory, and hands-on trade projects while learning how the apprenticeship program prepares workers for skilled-trades careers. He will use the experience to show students how measurement, fractions, and other math skills connect to plumbing, pipefitting, and apprenticeship opportunities.