



# GODDARD SPRING INTERNS



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There's a lot of different styles for how different mentors, here at Goddard, work with their students.

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Our team approach is to work with them but to give them ownership because

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when they have ownership they tend to do better, they tend to be more creative.

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When they decided they needed a star camera they could have purchased one

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because other research organizations build star cameras, but Stephen decided to give students a chance to bu

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Working here is very self-motivating so they kind of just give you what to do and the basics of it and they say O

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So right now I run around, read a bunch of papers online, talk to all the experts, which is pretty interesting

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and I think it's a fair representation of the real world.

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There is definitely a lot of pressure to get your work done but it's not incredibly stressful.

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They know you're a student and that they're all there to help. There are experts here for everything.

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Within the BETTII project the thing I think is the most valuable for the students,

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the best opportunity, is the chance to work with people who are doing cutting edge research and cutting edge v

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That is the kind of stuff that gets the students excited about what they think they want to do with their lives.

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The cool thing about being here at Goddard is you get to see the wide variety of things that we actually do,

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from climate science, to space exploration, and everything in between.

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I'm incredibly grateful for this opportunity. It's been a great experience.

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Not only technical knowledge that I've learned but just seeing how a big mission like this comes together.

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It feels great to be part of this team because you really feel that it actually matters, like the work you're doing.

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When I was an undergraduate I was fortunate that I got to work on some interesting projects.

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And it's part of what gave me a love for science and the love for the kind of work that I get to do now.

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And I want these students to have the same kind of experience.

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When this mission launches and the data starts coming back that will definitely be exciting.

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It's not supposed to launch until 2015 but I'll definitely be looking out for that.

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It will be great to actually see my work contributing to telling us things we don't know about the universe.

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I would say if you're an engineering or science student and you think you want to work at NASA

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you should definitely apply. Even if you don't know a lot about space

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you'll definitely learn everything you need to know once you start working here.

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I see them out having lunch together everyday.

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I see them talking about the different things they are working on and sharing ideas.

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That's teaching them what it's like to form a team and be part of a team

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and that's something that is extremely valuable as they go forward in their careers.

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I think my favorite part of working here is, people who work at NASA don't work at NASA because they kind of

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They work at NASA because they have a passion for science and technology

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and broadening our understanding of our world. So it is great to work with people who are so passionate every

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Being about to sit down and discuss with someone what I'm working on and knowing that they're the expert in t

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has been priceless.

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I think what I'll remember most about my time working here is definitely the people.

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It's been great working in the lab with Anthony and Yvonne.

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It's been great getting to know these senior scientist and engineers who just know so much

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and love what they do.