## **Call for Applications**

## 2019 NESACS–GDCh Student Exchange Program to Bremen, Germany

## March 16 – 24, 2019

**Overview:** 2019 will be the 19<sup>th</sup> year of a student exchange program sponsored by the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society (NESACS) and the German Chemical Society (*Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker* (GDCh)). In 2019 a delegation of 12 undergraduate and graduate students from colleges and universities in the Northeastern Section will present the results of their research in the Spring Symposium of the GDCh *Jungchemikerforum* (JCF) in Bremen (all presentations are in English.) Delegates will also visit industrial and academic research facilities and engage in a variety of social events with students from across Germany and around the world. Delegates are also expected to present their research at the Northeast Student Chemistry Research Conference (NSCRC) on a weekend in April 2019. The conference is organized and hosted by the NESACS Younger Chemists Committee.

NESACS/GDCh sponsorship covers airfare and ground transportation and accommodations while in Germany. For additional information about the exchange program, please go to <u>www.nesacs.org/gex.html</u>.

**Application Process:** Applications must be submitted by **November 1, 2018 and** will be accepted from **undergraduate** and **graduate** students who are currently engaged in original research in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering, and related fields at colleges and universities in the Northeastern Local Section, which includes the state of New Hampshire and the following counties in eastern Massachusetts: Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Middlesex, Nantucket, Norfolk, Plymouth, and Suffolk.

Your application must contain:

- 1. A completed applicant profile including a scan of your passport photo page.
- 2. Title, authors and abstract (no more than one page, 12 pt font) of the presentations you would make at the JCF Spring Symposium in Bremen and at the NSCRC after your return.
- 3. A brief essay (no more than one page) on the relevance of the exchange program to your professional goals.
- 4. A letter of recommendation from your faculty research supervisor in which s/he certifies that you are currently engaged in original research under her/his supervision, and expressing support for your participation in the trip to Bremen.
- 5. A letter from the chair/head of your department, certifying that s/he approves your absence from your academic responsibilities for the period March 16 March 24, 2019.

Completed applications must be *received* by <u>TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.</u> Send all materials <u>electronically</u> to <u>GEX@nesacs.org</u>.

**Notification:** After an initial review of all applications, program finalists will be asked to make brief presentations of their research as part of interviews to be conducted by the GEX selection committee on November 10 and 17. The results of the selection process will be e-mailed to all applicants before December 9. Written confirmation and more detailed information about travel preparations will be sent to the delegates selected for the trip to Bremen.

<u>**Travel Documents**</u> Delegates' passports must be valid through November 2019. If you hold an F-1 visa, it must be current and valid through your return date to the United States. Documentation of visa status will be required by mid-December if you are selected for the program. Send any questions about these travel document requirements to <u>GEX@nesacs.org</u>.

## 2019 NESACS–GDCh Exchange Program to Bremen, Germany Applicant Profile

Enter your responses in the column on the right		(Text will wrap	o automatically)
First Name			
Middle Name			
Last Name			
Suffix			
School Email			
Personal Email (for archival purposes)			
Current Research Institution (within NESACS)			
Degree/Program Type (BA, BS, MA, MS, PhD, combination)			
Current Year in Program			
Expected Date of Degree			
Applicant Department			
Applicant Campus Address			
Applicant Campus Phone			
Current Home Address			
Current Home City, State, Zip			
Current Home/Cell Phone			
Citizenship Status			
Visa Status (Expiration of Current Visa)			
Visa Type			
If not a US Citizen, is a Visa required for you to enter Germany?			
Passport Number			
Passport Expiration Date (MUST BE VALID UNTIL NOV-2019)			
Attach a scan of your passport's photo page. If a scan is not attached, give expected date of Passport receipt.			
Graduate Students: Name of Undergraduate Institution			
Graduate Students: Undergraduate Degree Type/Major(s)/Minor(s)			
Graduate Students: Date of Undergraduate Degree			
Title of your Presentation for Bremen 2019			
Presentation Preference for Bremen 2019	Oral	Poster	No Preference

Title of your Presentation for NSCRC 2019			
Presentation Preference for NSCRC 2019	Oral	Poster	No Preference
Area of Chemistry (Use ACS designations)			
Department Chair Name/Department			
Department Chair Phone Number			
Department Chair Email			
Research Supervisor Name/Department			
Research Supervisor Phone Number			
Research Supervisor Email			
Research Supervisor Address			
I am available to Interview on November 10, 2018			
I am available to Interview on November 17, 2018			
If unable to interview on either of the above dates, state the nature of the conflict and propose two other interview dates/times			