

## Physics Seminar

Friday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:35 PM

# Undergraduate Research Experience at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory

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The Visiting Faculty Program (VFP) seeks to increase the research competitiveness of faculty members and their students at institutions historically underrepresented in the research community in order to expand the workforce vital to the Department of Energy (DOE) mission areas. As part of the program, selected university/college faculty members collaborate with DOE laboratory research staff on a research project of mutual interest. Faculty member participants may invite up to two students (one of which may be a graduate student) to participate in the research project.

We will discuss our experiences as student participants in the VFP and describe the collaborative application process and the national laboratory environment. We will also summarize the cutting-edge solar cell research to which we contributed during the tenweek internship.

#### **Location: Ross 0220 (Ground level of Ross Hall)**

(Refreshments will be served at 3:20pm.)

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