Fostering a STEM workforce

Fermilab partners with educators to introduce youth to the world of science and trains college and university students in high-tech research and development.

Statistics		
K-12 students	FY2023	
Students participating in activities at Fermilab	3,825	
Students visited in classrooms by Fermilab staff	6,115	

K-12 teachers	FY2023
Educators attending workshops at Fermilab	509
Teachers holding summer research internships	8

College & university students & adults	FY2023
Students involved in on-site programs or internships	320
Ph.D degrees received from research at Fermilab	2,550 since 1974



Activities

The national QuarkNet program, led by the University of Notre Dame and Fermilab, involves about 600 high school physics teachers. It gives students hands-on research experience as part of an international scientific collaboration.

Fermilab operates the Lederman Science Center, a free hands-on science education center that welcomed more than 6,000 walk-in visitors and over 3,000 students on field trips in FY2023.

Fermilab staff members serve as mentors to high school students for periods ranging from 6 weeks to 8 months. Students learn how scientists pursue discoveries in science, engineering and computing.

The Saturday Morning Physics program offers an eleven-week course for up to 300 local high-school students a year.

In 2022, Fermilab opened a MakerSpace at the Lederman Science Center for students to experience project-based learning programs such as "STEM Spotlight" and "Visualizing STEM."

Fermilab offers internships for college students studying science, engineering, computing, ecology and science journalism. Learn more at internships.fnal.gov

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