

Assistant Laboratory Formulator Internship

BACKGROUND: The NWIRC is a non-profit management consultancy of the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development that assists in the health and vitality of manufacturing businesses in the Northwest Pennsylvania region.

OBJECTIVES: The qualified apprentice will be required to assist formulators with projects by learning how to make various coatings, run appropriate quality control tests and other tests according to customer specifications. Coatings being developed are for end use items such as packaging, fabricated metal parts, and heavy equipment.

Direct supervision will be provided by an experienced laboratory formulator who will provide training for making coating samples, coating applications, and quality control testing. Additional supervision will be provided by the VP of R&D when needed.

REQUIREMENTS: Candidates are required to be currently enrolled in an accredited college or university, and shall be pursuing a four-year degree in Chemistry or related discipline and ability to work at a Mercer County facility. Must be organized and detail oriented. Excellent written and oral communication skills. Ability to work independently and in a team environment.

Minimum required cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

A pre-employment drug screen may be required.

PAYRATE: Minimum \$10.00 per hour depending upon experience, knowledge, and skills.

CONTACT: Qualified candidates are to apply online at www.nwirc.org/internship. Please direct all inquiries about this advanced manufacturing apprentice opportunity, including requesting a further detailed description of essential job function, to Gretchen Reinard via email greinard@nwirc.org.