GRADUATE PROGRAM IN APPLIED PHYSICS

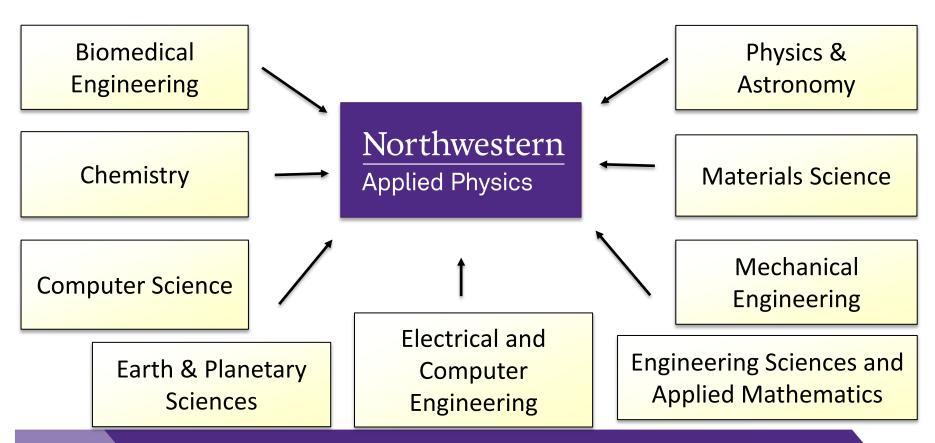
2023 Overview

Northwestern

Affiliation: 2 Schools and 9 Departments

WEINBERG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

& ENGINEERING



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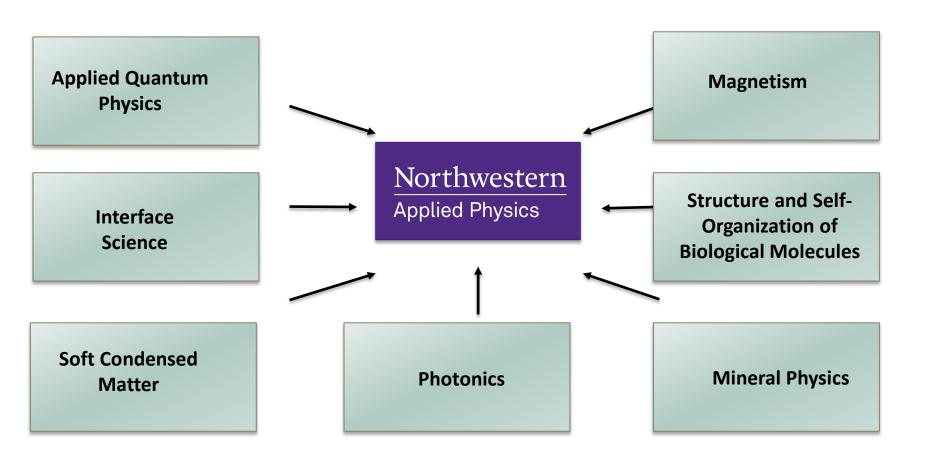


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Core Disciplines



Collaborative Research Centers and Institutes



















Why become an AP student at NU?



We need you:

your skills and talent, your unique ideas and perspective



Unique Research Opportunities

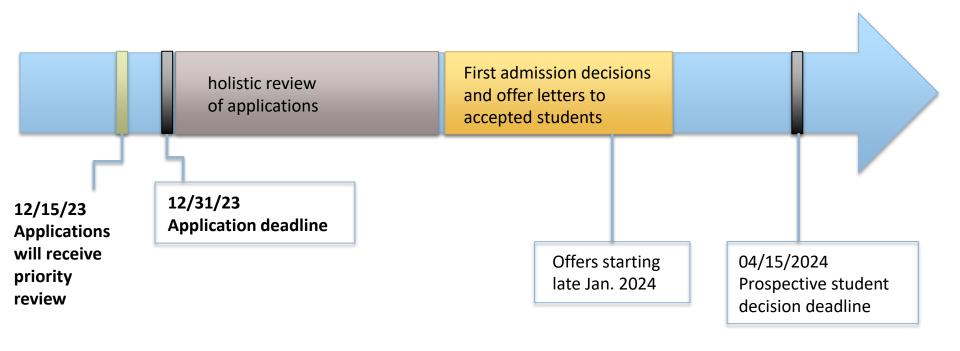
- interdisciplinary, multiple departments
- many faculty members (experiment, theory)
- new QIS centers



Start your own research early (second quarter!)

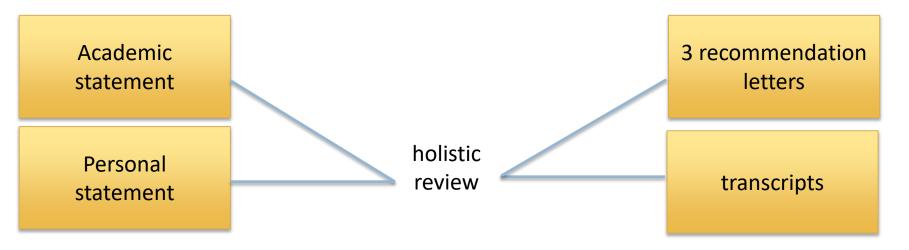
interact with AP students and faculty doing research in a variety of disciplines

Applying to NU Applied Physics: Timeline



Applying to NU Applied Physics: Application

Content of your application



Optional		
Additional information statement	[GRE / GRE Physics] Not required for applications submitted in 2023 for fall 2024 enrollment	60s video to introduce yourself and briefly describe your research, career interests and why Northwestern

Applying to NU Applied Physics: Statement of Purpose

- Tell your story!
 The admissions committee and faculty want to get to know you
- Why Applied Physics?
- What inspires you? What drives you? What makes you different?
- Mention faculty you might be interested in working with.
- If applicable, mention any research experience.
- Mention obstacles you faced, and how you managed to overcome them. Resilience and determination are strengths!

Program Components & Goals

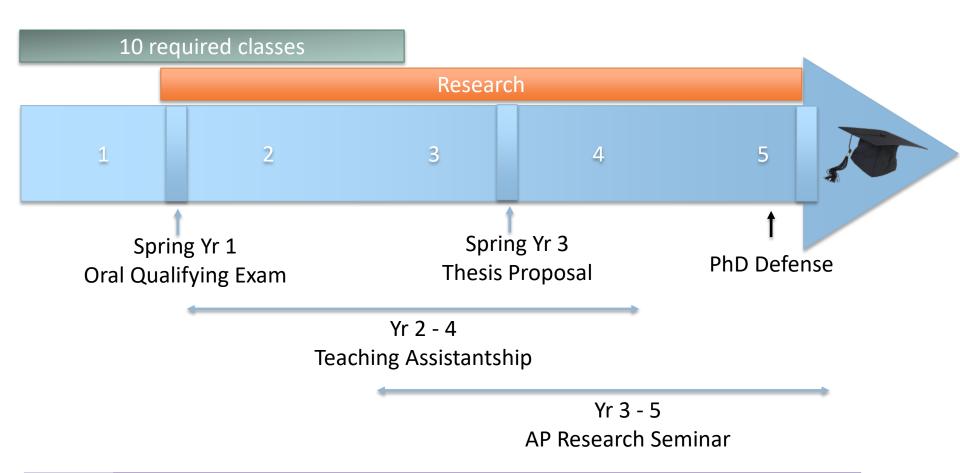
provide you with a solid foundation in **physics**

enable you to become an independent researcher

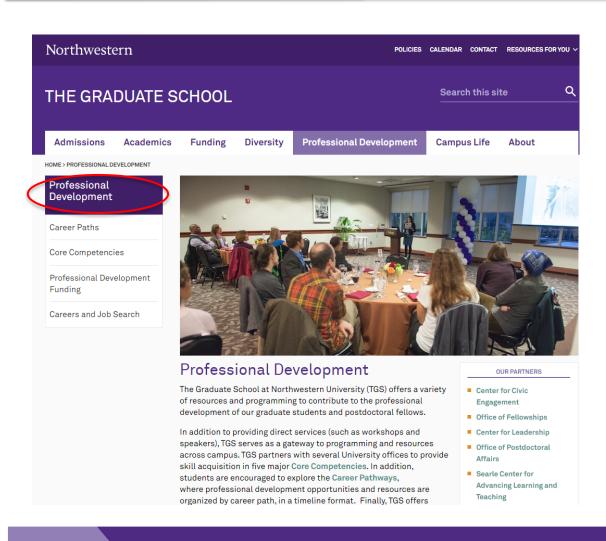
prepare you for and assist you in planning and realizing your

career plans

PhD Timeline: 5-year program



Professional Development



- Career Exploration
- Leadership and Management
- Speaking and Presenting
- Teaching
- Writing and Research

Applied Physics Faculty



~ 50 faculty members in:

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Earth and Planetary Sciences
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Engineering Sciences and Applied Mathematics
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Physics and Astronomy

* As of Sept. 2023

Courses

First Year

Start your own research

Second Year or later

Fall

MAT SCI 401: Chemical & Statistical Thermodynamics of Materials or **PHYS 416**: Introduction to Statistical Mechanics (Winter Yr1)

PHYS 412-1: Quantum Mechanics

PHYS 411-1: Methods of Theoretical Physics

GEN ENG 519: Responsible Conduct of Research Training

Winter

PHYS 412-2: Quantum Mechanics

PHYS 414-1: Electrodynamics

PHYS 416-0: Introduction to Statistical Mechanics

or MAT SCI 401: Chemical & Statistical Thermodynamics of Materials

(Fall Yr1)

Spring

MAT SCI 405: Physics of Solids

or PHYS 422-1: Condensed Matter Physics (Fall Yr2)

Fall

PHYS 422-1: Condensed Matter Physics

or MAT SCI 405: Physics of Solids (Spring Yr1)

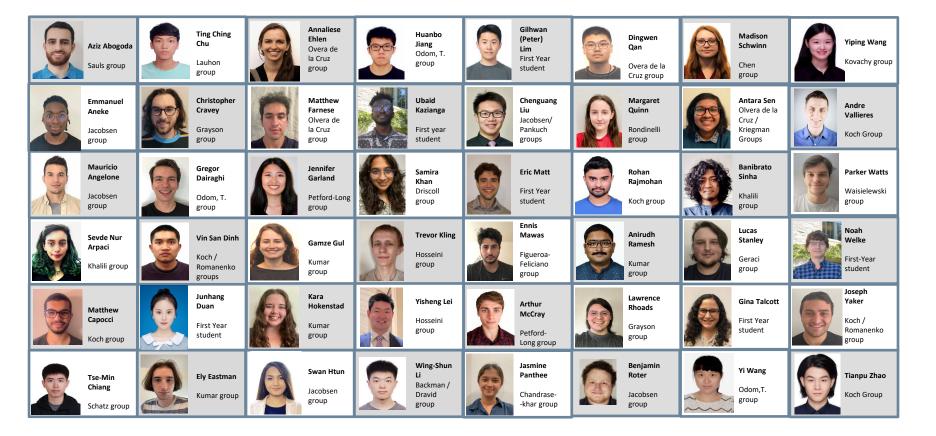
Fall or later

Computational Methods of Applied Physics

Experimental Methods of Applied Physics

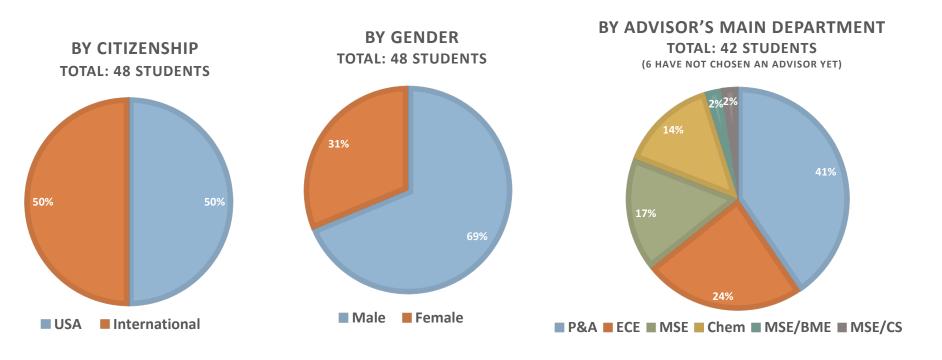
2 Electives

Graduate Students



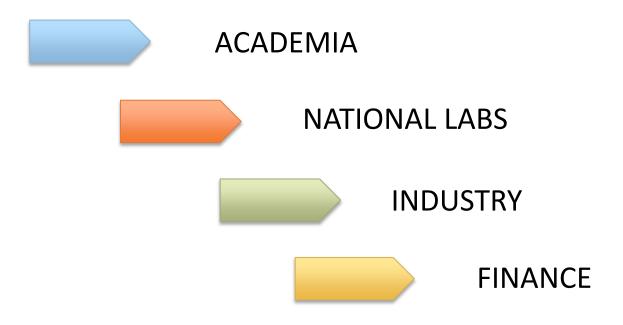
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Statistics AP Students



As of Sept. 2023

Where do our Alumni work?



Where do our Alumni work? Examples



















Goldman Sachs





National Institute of

Standards and Technology U.S. Department of Commerce





Beyond Northwestern



City of Evanston

- Population of ~75,000.
- Convenient, quiet.
- Quick and easy connections to downtown Chicago. (Metra: ~20 mins)

City of Chicago

- Population of 2.7M
- Great museums, restaurants, sports, culture,...
- And beaches!

