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JSU STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

(Jackson, Miss.) – Jackson State University students Ashley Rouser and Jamal R. West are conducting research this summer at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Washington, D.C.

Rouser and West are among 15 students from minority-serving institutions who have been awarded research scholarships by the Educational Partnership Program.

The scholarships provide hands-on training and experience to encourage undergraduates to pursue study in the NOAA fields, such as atmospheric or oceanic science, research and remote sensing technology.

Rouser, a biology and mathematics major from Madison, is conducting survey data analysis and statistics research for the NOAA Fisheries Service.

West, a meteorology major from Tacoma, Wash., is conducting research with NOAA's National Weather Service on the social and economic benefits of weather forecast and warning services.

Scholarship students are eligible for up to \$8,000 of academic assistance per year for full-time study during the junior and senior years, a 10-week, paid internship

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(\$650 per week) for two summers, including a housing subsidy, round-trip travel to the internship site, and travel expenses to the program conference in Silver Spring, Md.

To be eligible, students must be U.S. citizens, a full-time junior in an accredited college or university within the United States or U.S. territories, and hold a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (based on a 4.0 scale) in all completed undergraduate courses and in the major field of study. They also must major in a discipline area related to oceanic and atmospheric science, research, and technology that support NOAA's programs and mission.

For more information about the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, visit <http://www.noaa.gov>.

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