



2026 U.S. Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory Gains in the Education of Mathematics & Science Program Near-Peer Mentor Pre-Application



This is a pre-application to express interest in the 2026 USAARL GEMS Program, Near-Peer Mentor opportunity at Fort Rucker, AL. An official online application will be required once opened by the Army Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education Consortium.

GEMS is a STEM education program that engages school-age students in hands-on experiments and broadens their knowledge about STEM careers. Near-Peer Mentors teach experiments, serve as role models, and act as resources concerning college life and career pathways. Current 11th graders, 12th graders, and college students enrolled in a STEM- or education-related degree program are eligible to apply.

The following must be received no later than March 31, 2026:

1. Near-Peer Mentor pre-application (page 2)
2. Transcript(s) (official or unofficial)
3. Resume; include name, relationship to applicant, phone number, and e-mail addresses of two references

You may request a secure file drop-off to submit your application electronically OR hand-deliver your application.

- Request a secure file drop-off to submit your pre-application electronically by e-mailing or calling:
usarmy-usaarl-stem@health.mil
334-255-6907
- Hand-deliver your pre-application to:
U.S. Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory
ATTN: GEMS Program Coordinator
6901 Farrel Road
Fort Rucker, AL 36362

***Do not mail completed pre-applications to this street address. Mail is not delivered to this address.**

- For Enterprise High School students ONLY, you may hand-deliver your pre-application to:
EHS Guidance Office
ATTN: Mr. Brandon Fricks



Scan the QR Code for an electronic version of the Near-Peer Mentor Pre-Application.



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I am interested in the following GEMS Near-Peer Mentor opportunities at USAARL, Fort Rucker, AL. Select one or more:

- Planetary GEMS** Investigates geology, oceanography, and meteorology
- Neuroscience GEMS** Investigates the anatomy, function, and development of the central nervous system and the brain
- Biochemistry GEMS** Explores chemical processes and reactions that occur in living things and experimentation in chemistry and biology
- Agriscience GEMS** Examines the application of science to agriculture and develops an understanding of human relations, communication, and the importance of agriculture to the economy

GEMS dates are anticipated to fall between May 26-July 20, 2026. These dates are subject to change.

First Name:			Last Name:			U.S. Citizen: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Cell Phone:			E-Mail Address:								
Name of Current School/College:											
<input type="checkbox"/> 11 th Grade			<input type="checkbox"/> 12 th Grade			<input type="checkbox"/> College Freshman			<input type="checkbox"/> College Sophomore		
<input type="checkbox"/> College Junior			<input type="checkbox"/> College Senior			<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate					
Academic Major:						Academic Minor (if applicable):					

If you have **questions** about the USAARL GEMS Program, contact the GEMS Program Coordinator at 334-255-6907 or usarmy-usaarl-stem@health.mil.
Do not submit completed pre-applications to this email address. This e-mail address is for questions only.