

HPP Alumni Survey

As part of NOAA Education efforts to enhance the Hollings Prep Program (HPP), an evaluation of the three-year HPP pilot is being undertaken. You are being asked to complete a short survey on your experience with HPP. Your responses are appreciated, and will be used in the evaluation of HPP meeting its program goals. Thank you for your participation.

Demographics

1. First and last name

2. What year did you participate in HPP?

- ☐ 2019
- ☐ 2020
- ☐ 2021

3. In what line office did you complete your HPP internship?

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☐	National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) National Ocean Service (NOS) National Weather Service (NWS) Office of Marine & Aviation Operations (OMAO) Office of Oceanic & Atmospheric Research (OAR)

4. Which categories best describe you? Select all that apply.

- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ White
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Middle Eastern or North African

5. Sex:

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male

7. Date of Birth:
Month ▾ Day ▾ Year ▾

HPP Recruitment and Selection

The purpose of this section is to understand the effectiveness of HPP recruitment and selection activities. Please think back on when you first heard about HPP, and the process of your selection into the program to answer these questions.

8. Please select the degree to which you agree with the following statements:

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
It was easy to find information about the HPP internship	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I was clear how I should come prepared for the HPP interview	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I felt welcomed when I came to the HPP interview	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

9. HPP utilizes a local recruitment model, involving outreach from line offices and mentors, sharing program flyers, and word of mouth. Thinking back to when you first heard of HPP, how did you find out about the program?

10. What, if anything, would you improve about HPP's recruitment process?

11. HPP intern selection involves interviewing applicants and offering the internship position. What, if anything, would you improve about HPP's selection process?

Applying to Hollings and EPP

12. Did you apply to either Hollings or EPP Undergraduate Scholarship programs?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, go to Question 13. If no, go to Question 15.

13. You indicated that you applied to either Hollings or EPP. Which program did you apply to?

- ☐ Hollings
- ☐ EPP
- ☐ Both

14. Did you get selected into the Hollings or EPP?

- ☐ I was selected into Hollings
- ☐ I was selected into EPP
- ☐ I was not selected into either programs
- ☐ I was selected but did not accept

15. Please describe the impact that your participation in HPP may have had on your decision to apply for Hollings or EPP.

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NOAA Routine Uses: NOAA will use this information to evaluate and assess student data and information for the purpose of selecting successful candidates for scholarships, fellowships and internships, generating internal NOAA reports, and articles to demonstrate the success of its program.

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Education, Educational Partnership Program (EPP); Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program and National Marine Fisheries Service Recruitment, Training, and Research Program.

Obligation to Respond: Furnishing this information is voluntary; however, failure to provide information may prevent consideration of your application for the program.