

Inspiring the next generation

In too many cases, young people's future success and prosperity is determined by factors outside of their control leading to persistent and pervasive inequalities within the STEM sector. Nuffield Research Placements (NRP) address this by:

- Building confidence and skills in young people by providing key development opportunities and valuable content for future applications
- Raising aspirations and encouraging informed decision making by giving young people the opportunity to explore different career pathways
- Connecting young people to the current labour market as well as professional and social networks of support so they can achieve their potential

Nuffield Research Placements are engaging, real life placement experiences for talented first year KS5 students from financially disadvantaged and/or first in family backgrounds. Students are placed at the heart of a UK host organisation for 2-3 weeks over the summer, where they embark on a STEM skills-focused placement.

> "My placement transformed my career decision." Alumnus



students are supported each year to begin placements from across the UK.

85% of participating students are eligible to receive an additional bursary.

> "The joy of working with bright young people; learning goes both ways and teachers should always learn from their students as well. I find it really fulfilling to see students enjoy these placements and to develop skills to set them up in their futures." 2021 placement provider

> > **69%**

of students matched to a placement in 2021 were female and 56% came from a minority ethnic background.



of 2020 alumni found that their education or employment applications had been supported by their NRP experience.



93%

of student alumni would recommend NRP.



Over 90% of teachers found that returning students had greater self confidence and motivation.

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of placement providers said the experience developed their coaching, mentoring and management skills.

79%

corporate social responsibility goals for their organisation.

"The programme raised aspirations for the students for after A levels, as they gained maturity from working with people outside of their usual sphere of influence." Teacher

In 2021, staff from **190 organisations** volunteered their time to host a wide range of placements.

> If you would like to find out more about Nuffield Research Placements, visit stem.org.uk/ nuffield-research-placements

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of placement providers said their participation had fulfilled public engagement, widening participation, or



"I enjoyed being able to

experience using scientific