The Joint Appointment Program at Idaho National Laboratory is designed to enhance research collaboration between INL and university staff.

Joint appointees develop or conduct research and development at both the home and host institutions. Through the program, laboratory employees may teach courses and conduct research at partner universities or professors can work with INL on collaborative projects. Within a joint appointment agreement, both INL and the university participate in the costs of the joint appointment.

The Joint Appointment Program strengthens INL’s strategic objectives by increasing opportunities for universities to collaborate in research and development. It also allows opportunities to participate in specific proposals that might otherwise be impossible.

### Purpose

If your project fits within the Joint Appointment Program, consider the following guidelines for joint appointments. A joint appointment should:

- Actively engage and align universities with the INL research and development mission and strategic objectives.
- Bring recognized, meaningful and productive engagement of university capabilities to bear on the broader spectrum of INL research and development activities.
- Extend the external visibility and recognition of the INL Joint Appointment Program to the relevant research communities.
- Provide for joint INL and university participation in proposals that might otherwise exclude the involvement of federally funded research and development centers as lead applicants.
- Further strategic relationships between INL and another research institution designed to help attract and retain top notch scientists and engineers.

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