



# **SG Internship Working Group Update**

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# Recent Updates

- SOLAR Database Operational for Initial Programs
- Concerns from States, Centers
- Request to Continue
  
- August Survey of Space Grants regarding SOLAR Access and Use

# SOLAR Survey Items

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- When Did Your State Get Access to SOLAR for Selections?
- Students Placed for Summer 2011 via SOLAR
- Students Placed for Summer 2011 via Other Processes
- Dual Availability in SOLAR
- # of Co-ops Placed and Tracked

# SG Responses

- 30 States Responded to Survey
- SOLAR Confirmed Access Reports
  - Ongoing; March 5 through July; some not yet
- ~40 Students Logged in SOLAR Placed by Other Processes
  - Most due to delays in accessing SOLAR prior to deadlines
- *Only 7 States Log or Track Co-ops*

# Why Worry About Co-ops?

- Not Expected Task (Not SG Funding)
- Many SG Offices not Linked to Major Co-op Provider in State
  - Different Office (INSGC), Different Campus (Several)

BUT...

- *SOLAR Actively Recruiting to Co-Op Offices*
- *SOLAR Resulting in Reduced Campus Visits from Centers*

# Next Stages

- **Linking to NASA Contacts**
- **Stay in Touch with Students through Application Phase**
- **Links to Co-op Offices for Information Sharing**
- **Start Getting Ready for Summer 2012**