

Duke University
Pratt School of Engineering
Professional Practice and Research Opportunity Program for Students (PPROPS)

Program
PPROPS is a university-industry partnership in which a student participates in an industrial internship and a full year of research with a Duke faculty member who is leading groundbreaking research and product development in a related field.

Benefits to Industry Partners
• Build a recruiting pipeline for top Duke engineering students
• Partner with top faculty conducting research relevant to your company’s needs
• Explore flexible intellectual property opportunities such as shared patents, first right of refusal on technology licenses, and use licenses for technology testing at your company

Benefits to Students
Composed of a summer internship with an industry partner, two semesters of on-campus research with a faculty advisor and an industry mentor, PPROPS offers students practical experience that helps them to:

• make informed choices about on-campus education offerings,
• obtain a better understanding of career opportunities, and
• become better prepared for the work place.

“In the increasingly competitive global workforce, Duke’s PPROPS students have a leg up.”
Dr. Tom Katsouleas
Professor and Dean
Pratt School of Engineering
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“To succeed globally in innovation industry and universities are going to need stronger collaboration.”
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