





The Italian Summer Students Program at Fermilab and other US

Laboratories: 40 years of education in particle physics and technology

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Outline

FERMI NATIONAL ACCELERATOR LABORATORY Italy @Fermilab (since early 80's) THE ITALIAN SUMMER STUDENTS PROGRAM AT FERMILAB Students' Recruitment **Training Programs** Costs, Sponsorships, Students' Benefits **Statistics (1983–2024)** - 2020 and 2021 Programs (sadly) cancelled - 2022 Back To Work (21 Summer Students at Fermilab) - 2023 Performed extremely well (27 Summer Students at Fermilab) - 2024 Performed well (13 Summer Students at Fermilab) Internships at US Space Science Labs CONCLUSIONS



Italy @Fermilab, some history

COLLIDER DETECTOR AT FERMILAB (CDF), SINCE EARLY 80's

• \sim 100/600 Italian scientists in the years 2000-2010

BOLOGNA, FRASCATI, PADOVA, PAVIA, PISA, ROMA, SIENA, TRENTO, TRIESTE, UDINE (INFN DEPARTMENTS and UNIVERSITIES)

• 5 Co-Spokesperson from Pisa

~100 MASTER + 35 PhD THESES

The 2019 HEP prize of the EPS was awarded to the CDF and D0 Collaborations for the discovery of the top quark (1995)



Italy @Fermilab, as of today

NEW LAB'S ENDEAVOURS

- Muon (g-2): Measurement of the anomalous muon magnetic moment
- Mu2e: Muon to electron conversion experiment
- Icarus, SBN, DUNE: Short/Long-baseline neutrino experiments
- ~150 Italian scientists (Muon g-2, Mu2e, Icarus, DUNE Co-Spokesperson)

BOLOGNA, CATANIA, FERRARA, FRASCATI, GENOVA, GRAN SASSO,

LECCE, MILANO, NAPOLI, PAVIA, PADOVA, PISA, ROMA, TRIESTE, UDINE

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Students' Recruitment

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

 Applications from most Italian and some European Universities

MASTER STUDENTS

- Physics/Applied Physics
- Engineering, Materials Science
- Computer Science

ADMISSION

- Curriculum Vitae
- Recommendation Letters
- Motivation Letter
- Interview
- Good knowledge of English





Training Programs

AUGUST – SEPTEMBER (9 WEEKS)

PROGRAMS FOR PHYSICISTS

- Design, construction, commissioning of particle detectors/accelerators
- Simulation of particle detectors/accelerators and particle physics experiments
- Analysis of data collected by particle physics experiments

PROGRAMS FOR ENGINEERS

- Design/Test of particle detectors/accelerator components
- Design/Test of superconducting materials and magnets for particle accelerators
- Development of fast electronics components/high precision mechanics
- Development of advanced computing infrastructures

UNIVERSITY CREDITS (acknowledged by the UNIPI Summer School)

6 ECTS credits (ECTS, European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System)



Applicants Benefits

WHAT FERMILAB PROVIDES

- Weekly stipend
- Free housing in Fermilab Dorms
- Free shared rental car
- Total cost ~17000 \$/student

WHAT FERMILAB DOES NOT PROVIDE

- Round-trip journey from Italy to Chicago
- Health insurance: mandatory

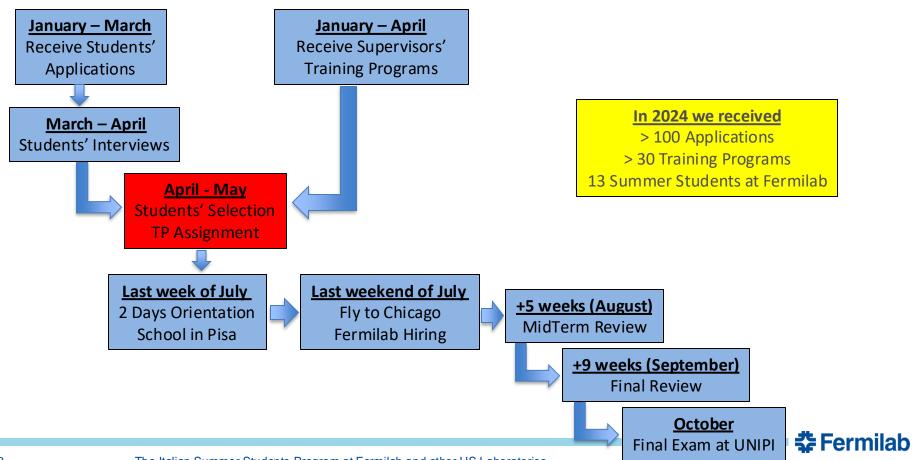
STUDENTS' TO-DO LIST

- Valid passport
- Employment and J1 Visa bureaucracy with the help of Fermilab's administrative offices

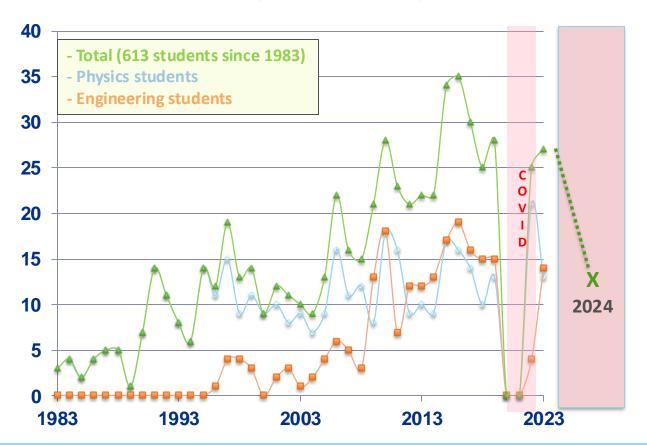




Important Actions/Dates



Summer Students Statistics (1983 – 2024)





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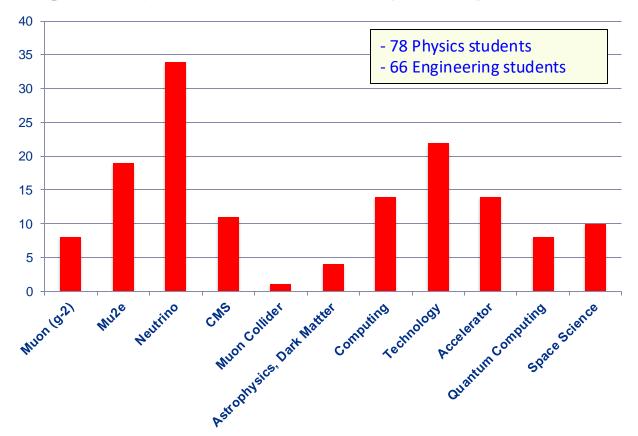
Involved Universities (1983-2024)	613 students
Pisa	52%
Roma	10%
Padova	8%
Milano	8%
Bologna	7%
Torino	2%
Trieste	2%
Napoli	2%
Ferrara	1%
Cassino	<1%
Udine	<1%
Siena	<1%
Firenze	<1%
Parma	<1%
Palermo	<1%
Messina	<1%
Lecce	<1%
L'Aquila	<1%
Ancona	<1%
Bari	<1%
Genova	<1%
International	1%



Training Programs (2008-2024)	333 students
Particle Physics & Neutrino	62%
Technology	20%
Accelerator	10%
Computational Science/Al	8%

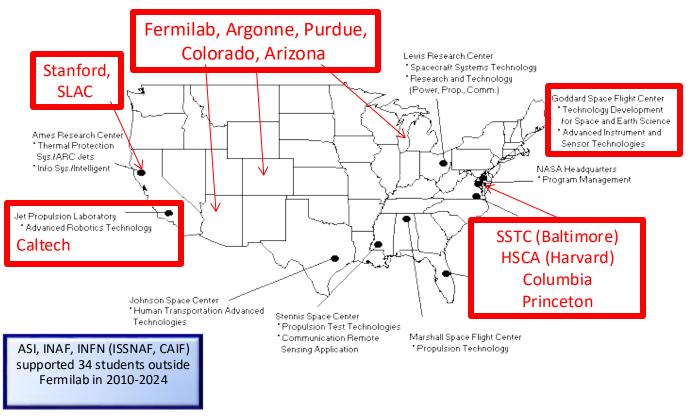


Training Programs (2017-2024, last 6 "years")





Internships at Space Science Labs





Conclusions

THE ITALIAN SUMMER STUDENTS PROGRAM AT FERMILAB

- A multi-disciplinary 9-week internship for Physics and Engineering students
- Hands-on training on Fermilab high-tech research
- 2024 program just concluded (13 Summer Students)

~600 SUMMER STUDENTS IN THE PROGRAM SINCE 1983

Many former Summer Students have developed their career at Fermilab with a Master Thesis and a PhD



