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Testing of lasers for optical data transmission

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Study phenomena at the origin of space and time at futuristic particle colliders



Rozmin Daya in the experiment control room during the first proton beams at Large Hadron Collider



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Ryan Rios taking ATLAS data at the Large Hadron Collider

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The ATLAS detector below Geneva, Switzerland



SMU physicists working in ATLAS

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 Join the DØ experiment based at
- Join the DØ experiment based at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory near Chicago;
- Work in the SMU optoelectronics laboratory: R&D for the e-Bubble experiment at the DUSEL facility; R&D for ATLAS upgrades and many other hardware projects.

Become a theorist to work on collider physics in the standard model and beyond, computational lattice QCD, modern data analysis

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Assistantships and Students Life

Teaching and Research Assistantships are available to students in good standing and are given primarily to students who pursue Ph.D. degrees. For exceptional candidates, the department will also award up to two Lightner-Sams Fellowships a year. In addition, the department covers student health insurance and all graduate tuition and fees are waived.

Ph.D. students involved in experiments may have opportunity to reside for extended periods of time at the experiment's site.



Posing in front of Swiss Alps during shifts at CERN