



Interested in getting an Amateur Radio license?

<n2re.org/m-o-r-e-project>

The Make Operating Radio Easier (MORE) Project is an initiative to reduce both gender and age imbalances in Amateur (Ham) Radio, through education and hands-on activities. The ambitious goals of the 2-year MORE Project are: to train and license 500 new U.S. Radio Amateurs; to examine and explore various types of radio signals, such as by using Software Defined Radio (SDR); and to help our new Hams learn basic communications protocols by observing and participating in HF and VHF operations.

Our training course is provided in 8 sessions, typically one 2-hour session per week, and may be scheduled to occur virtually and/or in person. The MORE Project covers the costs of testing, licensing and some equipment for participants. Successful licensees will receive a handheld 2-way radio, plus coaching to Get On The Air.

While the MORE Project is primarily seeking youth (ages 12-18) and non-male applicants, we are currently accepting students of ALL ages (12+) and genders.

STUDENTS: To be considered for this program, you must be at least 12 years old (or older). As radio operations in the U.S.A. are overseen by the Federal Government, all participants in the MORE Project must be willing to create a permanent public record of certain salient personal information.

Step 1: Go to <<https://www.fcc.gov/wireless/support/universal-licensing-system-uls-resources/getting-fcc-registration-number-frn>> to obtain an FCC Registration Number (FRN).

Step 2: Email the FRN, along with your full name and email address (*plus your parent's or guardian's full name and email address, if you are within 12 to 18 years of age*) to Dr. Rebecca Mercuri, K3RPM at <rtmercuri@ieee.org>. You will be sent an application form that will enable us to place you into one of our training courses.

GROUP LEADERS: The MORE Project also wants to hear from STEM clubs, scouting groups, preparedness teams, societies and lodges, senior centers, and other educational or recreational activity organizers. If your members would like to learn about radio technology and how it is used in a wide range of applications, including informal chatting, emergency search and rescue, global and outer-space communication, and much more, please contact Dr. Mercuri at <rtmercuri@ieee.org>, with a description of your group.

TRAINERS and VEs: We will have an ongoing need for FCC-licensed amateur radio operators, at the General level or above, who are certified as Volunteer Examiners (or who want to earn this certificate), to assist with teaching, testing and outreach. If you would like to be involved, please provide your full name and callsign in an email, with the subject line — MORE Project — to Rebecca K3RPM at <rtmercuri@ieee.org>.