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Guidelines for application of the VarSITI grants

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A SCOSTEP funding is available for supporting the following VarSITI activities:

- (1) International conferences/symposiums/workshops related to the Projects of VarSITI.
- (2) Campaign observations and related database construction.

Below is the guideline for application of this funding.

1. Refer to the Project descriptions for VarSITI, which are found at <http://www.varsiti.org/>
2. Submit your request for funding to the appropriate Project co-leaders for endorsement. Project co-leaders will forward their recommendations to the co-chairs of VarSITI for the final decision.
3. Your request should include the following information:
 - a. description of the planned activity
 - b. when and where it will occur and point of contact information
 - c. how the activity is related to the VarSITI and its Projects



- d. anticipated attendance and demographics of the participants
- e. how it furthers capacity building
- f. requested funding amount and how the funding will be used

Your request should be no more than 2 pages.

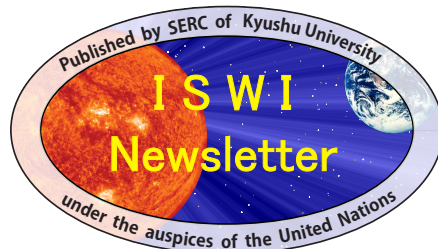
- 4. Funding is typically between \$3K-\$5K with an emphasis on leveraging funds elsewhere and a preference on supporting science and capacity building in developing countries.

VarSITI is a program that enables science as part of the SCOSTEP mission. Therefore we encourage proposals for funding related to VarSITI activities and not just opportunities to have meetings.

- 5. Conditions associated with a successful grant application are:

- a. A final report on the activity to be submitted to the appropriate Project co-leaders as well as the co-chairs of VarSITI within 30 days of completion of the activity. The final report will eventually appear on the VarSITI website and newsletters.
- b. Providing links to materials that can be added to the VarSITI website (e.g. school lecture notes, presentations, virtual observatories, press releases, publications, etc.). These will then be available to all in the VarSITI community.

That is all.



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