

SCOSTEP/PRESTO Grants for Year 2021

-- Guidelines for application for campaigns --

SCOSTEP/PRESTO provides support for organizing international **scientific campaigns** which could be either:

- coordinated observations during a specified period, or
- coordinated investigations of specified past events or periods.

These campaign activities should **be strictly related to one or more PRESTO Pillars** and contribute to PRESTO activities. The campaign activity should be international and interdisciplinary.

SCOSTEP/PRESTO funding for campaigns is typically up to \$5K. **It is assumed that the instrumentation and equipment necessary for the campaign is already present.** This grant can be used to cover, fully or partially, the following expenses:

- in case of **campaign observations**: organization and logistics of the observations, travel expenses of the observational team.
- in case of **coordinated investigations** (e.g., campaign data analysis for past events): communications, software, travel expenses for a meeting to summarize the results (either stand-alone or a dedicated session in a related meeting), cost for online meetings

How to prepare and submit your proposal:

1) Proposals can only be submitted by SCOSTEP members included in SCOSTEP-all mailing list. To join the SCOSTEP-all mailing list, please contact the SCOSTEP Secretariat, Ms. Patricia Doherty (scostep@bc.edu).

2) Proposal should include the following information:

- a) description of the planned activity
- b) how the activity is related to the PRESTO and its Pillars
- c) how it furthers capacity building
- d) when and where the campaign observations will be carried, participating observers, coordinator, and point of contact information
- e) period when the coordinated investigations will be performed, participating institutions, coordinator, and point of contact information.
- f) anticipated participation and demographics of the participants
- g) requested funding amount and how the funding will be used.
- h) list of other confirmed or addressed sponsors, and their approved or expected contribution.
- i) The length of the proposal should be no more than 2 pages.

3) Please contact relevant PRESTO Pillar co-leaders on your proposal and explain the relevance of your proposal to the PRESTO activity. Proposals for markedly interdisciplinary activities can be explained directly to PRESTO chair/co-chairs.

4) Send your proposal to the SCOSTEP Secretariat, Ms. Patricia Doherty (patricia.doherty at bc.edu) by December 31, 2020.

Conditions associated with a successful grant application are

- 1) After the deadline, the **decision of acceptance/rejection** of the proposal will be made by the PRESTO chair/co-chairs and the PRESTO Pillar co-leaders.
- 2) A final **scientific report** on the activity to be submitted to the appropriate Pillar co-leaders as well as the chairs of PRESTO within 30 days of completion of the activity. The final report will eventually appear on the SCOSTEP/PRESTO website and newsletters.
- 3) A **financial report** including the breakdown of expenses and the names of the supported participants to be submitted to the SCOSTEP Secretariat, Ms. Patricia Doherty (patricia.doherty at bc.edu).
- 4) **Links to materials** to be added to the SCOSTEP website and to be then freely available to all in the SCOSTEP/PRESTO community (e.g. data, models, virtual observatories, presentations, press releases, publications, etc.).
- 5) The support by SCOSTEP/PRESTO **to be acknowledged** in the related presentations, publications, etc.

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