Student Experiential Opportunities (Hands-On) - Request for Proposals

Deadline: Submissions accepted on an ongoing basis through January 15, 2021 or until funds are consumed.

Purpose:
This Iowa Space Grant Consortium (ISGC) student-centered opportunity seeks proposals for student experiences that promote skills for STEM careers. Proposals are for hands-on activities which align with the research priorities of the NASA Mission Directorates. Funding is for student-led projects allowing for direct hands-on work with technology, hardware, machinery, research, etc. This program will fund regional and national competitions for rocketry, robotics and/or other student run activities.

Eligibility:
- Students must be enrolled at ISGC affiliated higher education institutions: DMACC, Drake, Iowa, Iowa State, Loras College, or Northern Iowa with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- A faculty or staff mentor is required.
- These grants will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis, until funds all are consumed.

Teams or individual students may apply. These projects must align with one or more of the NASA Mission Directorate research priorities and/or challenges, with explanation of the alignment. Projects will be evaluated based on the number of students involved/impacted, likelihood to increase the diversity of the STEM pool, and internal and external collaborations with NASA. The ISGC encourages proposals involving females, members of underrepresented minorities, persons with disabilities, and U.S. military veterans.

Proposals will be accepted by invitation only. Prospective applicants will discuss their ideas with Associate Director Jay Staker (jstaker@iastate.edu) to see if their ideas fall within the scope of this opportunity. The proposer may then be invited to submit a full proposal. If invited to submit a proposal, please follow the “Brief Description of Project” instructions below.

Brief Description of Project:
Please include a project description (three-page maximum) with a project summary of 300 words or less. Indicate the desired outcomes, what the funds will be used for, and the aligned NASA Mission Directorate with benefits that are related to the ISGC mission.

Submission Checklist: Please refer to this checklist prior to submission.

Budget:
Initial project budget may be requested up to $5,000. Funding level for projects will be based on need as determined after discussion with Jay Staker with a required demonstration of progress for additional funding possibilities. While non-Federal match is encouraged, but not required, waived indirect is expected against NASA funds awarded, based on the university government approved rates. Space is provided on the
budget form for calculation. Funds must be expended by May 31, 2021. The budget template shown below is available and must be submitted in Excel format from: https://www.iaspac grant.org/funding/undergrads/, or by sending an e-mail request to: isgc@iastate.edu.

Please note: That which is not allowable from the NASA funding is also not allowable as Match and/or Cost Share.

ISGC Student Experiential Opportunities (Hands-On) – Budget template:

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| Materials and Supplies | $0 | $0 |
| Travel (Domestic) | $0 | $0 |
| Wages+Fringe (Undergraduates) | $0 | $0 |
| **TOTAL DIRECT COSTS** | **$0** | **$0** |
| **INDIRECT COSTS** |     |     |
| NASA Indirect (see rates below*) | 53.0% | $0 |
| Match Indirect (see rates below*) | 53.0% | $0 |
| **TOTAL BUDGET** | **$0** | **$0** |

Notes:
- Match = 1:1.25 (encouraged, not required for student hands-on projects)
- Use university appropriate government approved indirect rate.
- *(Drake = 36.7%, ISU = 53%, UI = 54.5%, UNI = 35.1%)*
- *(DMACC = 37% of salary and fringe only; Loras = 10%)*
- Change/add expense type as appropriate, add rows as needed.
- Check all calculations for accuracy when adding rows.
- Include budget justification below, or as a separate word document.

Unallowable expenses include:
- Indirect charges (waived indirect costs may be counted towards match)
- Equipment (defined as >$5,000, per item)
- Foreign travel
- Facility renovations
- Promotional materials (i.e. t-shirts, etc.)
- Non-U.S. citizen reimbursements (i.e. travel, salary, wages)
- Non-U.S. citizens may participate, but cannot receive direct support from the grant.

**Reporting Requirements**: A midterm progress report and a final report are required. The reports outline accomplishments, and expenditures. These reports will also include a data sheet that will be provided by the ISGC office for completion. Photos of students and project work will be required to highlight accomplishments. Photo release forms will be required for individuals identifiable in photographs.

Questions may be directed to Jay Staker, Associate Director, jstaker@iastate.edu.
ISGC Student Experiential Opportunities (Hands-On) – Proposal form

Please submit this proposal form as a signed PDF with any accompanying documents to: isgc@iastate.edu. Acceptable formats for attachments include Microsoft Excel and/or Word.

We the undersigned certify formation provided is correct and we will abide by stated requirements.

Student Proposer: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

Date: ___________________________

First M.I. Last

Degree Program: ___________________________ Department: ___________________________

University: ___________________________ Expected Date of Graduation: ___________________________

Cell Phone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Project Title: ___________________________

Time frame: ___________________________ Targeted Mission Directorate: ___________________________

Indicate if this project is part of a Regional or National competition: ___________________________

Date and location of event: ___________________________

Total ISGC Funds Requested: $ ___________________________

(Waived indirect expected against NASA funds awarded, based on university government approved rates.)

Total Non-Federal Match (cash or in-kind) Optional: $ ___________________________ (do not list waived indirect here)

Faculty Mentor: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

Date: ___________________________

First M.I. Last

Telephone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Business Office Representative Signature: * ___________________________

*Designated official of the contracts and grants/ sponsored programs office at home institution, except: ISU: obtain home department chair signature.

Names and demographics of all student participants: For the student lead/applicant, please populate the information in check boxes below. Upon proposal acceptance/award, an excel spreadsheet will be sent for these same demographics for multiple participants or team members.

The Iowa Space Grant Consortium is primarily supported through Federal funding from NASA. Therefore, the following information (is required in our annual reporting) and requested here for demographic reporting purposes only.

U.S. Citizen:  □ Yes □ No

Gender: □ Male □ Female

Ethnicity: □ Hispanic/Latino □ Not-Hispanic/Latino

RACE:

□ American Indian or Alaskan Native

□ Asian

□ Black or African American

□ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

□ White

□ Other race, please list: ___________________________

□ I am a person with a documented disability.

□ I am a U.S. military veteran.