

**PROGRAM PROPOSAL FOR 2007-2008 ENHANCEMENTS**  
**Promoting Academic Enrichment**

1. Name of proposed project    Computer Science Field Trip
2. Sponsoring department(s)    Math/CS/Econ
3. Primary contact                    C. Pheatt, x5637

4. Description of project:

The purpose of this proposal is to provide computer science students with the opportunity to visit science and computing related facilities in Denver area. As a previous resident of Colorado, I'm well aware of the computing related resources available in the region.

Possible destinations include National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) in Boulder, Colorado, University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado State University in Ft. Collins. Such a trip would allow students to be exposed to large scale computing and to study first hand the interrelationship of computing and science.

I am requesting funds for 8 students to travel to Denver. The funds requested are:

- Student travel - 8 students \* 4 days \* \$75 (food and lodging) = \$2,400
  - Van – 1500 miles \* 0.35 = \$525
  - Faculty travel - 1 faculty \* 4 days \* \$100 = \$400
- (NOTE: see the attachment for the justification of faculty travel).

5. Manner in which academic success will be promoted by project

Participation on this trip will allow students to visit scientific and computing facilities available in the Denver area.

A trip as described in this proposal was funded under the 2004-5 Academic Enhancement grant program. The trip (to Chicago) was very successful and thoroughly enjoyed by the students.

6. Relationship to university strategic plan

This undertaking will address the Strategic Plan item, "Retaining High Quality Students" and addresses those students' needs.

7. Manner in which program success will be assessed

The level of student participation would be used to judge the success of the undertaking.

8. Were funds granted for this project during FY 2007?                    Yes X No    

a. Status of project (if funds were received in FY 2007, including what will be done with remaining funds)

N/A.

b. Amounts unexpended in FY 2007, which will roll forward to FY 2008

\$0

9. Funds proposed

FY 2008

Student Salaries

Travel

Speakers/Lecturers

Equipment

Other O.O.E.

GRAND TOTAL

\$3,325

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10. Would continued funding for this project be requested during future years?

Yes X No   

11. Have you submitted this project for funding through another ESU source?

Yes    No X If yes, please identify that

**Return one electronic copy of proposal to Bob Grover (groverro@emporia.edu), one copy to the Dean to which your Department reports, and one copy to your Department Chair/ Director.**

## **Justification of Faculty Travel Expense**

In the call for proposals for Academic Year 2005-2006 (R. Grover memorandum dated 07March2005), a change was noted in the terms and conditions associated with the proposals for the Tuition Enhancement for Academic Enrichment program. Specifically;

***To be considered in this 2005-2006 call, proposals should also observe the following principles ... No funding for staff/faculty travel.***

A clarification on this point was requested from R. Grover, and the attached email (Grover, 10March2005) was received.

To the best of the writer's knowledge, there is no University funding source for faculty to accompany students on such a trip. In consultation with L. Scott, Chair, Department of Mathematics, Computer Science and Economics, it is not possible to budget 2007-8 departmental monies for faculty travel for the trip described in this proposal.

It is on the basis of non-routine travel and the clarification provided in the email from R. Grover, that faculty travel expense has been included in this proposal.