

## Education and Outreach Grants Application

The DPS Committee invites DPS members to apply for this cycle of DPS Education and Outreach Grants

The DPS Committee is offering small grants (average amounts of \$200 to \$500) to support DPS members to engage in local and virtual education and public engagement activities. These grants are intended to support DPS member efforts to engage other members, students, teachers, and the public and can be used for materials, consumables, equipment but not for salary or travel to DPS meetings. Current proposals are being accepted for programs that will occur by June 1, 2022. If you have a question about what is an acceptable cost, please contact the DPS Education Officer, Sanlyn Buxner, [buxner@psi.edu](mailto:buxner@psi.edu) [1]. **Proposals should be emailed to [buxner@psi.edu](mailto:buxner@psi.edu) [1] and you will receive an email confirmation.**

Applications will be accepted until all grant funds have been depleted, that cap will be posted on this website. **Grants have a rolling deadline with reviews beginning on August 1, 2021 and occurring each month after that. Awardees will be alerted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month after they are received.** All proposals will be reviewed by members of the DPS education committee and the executive committee (see rubric below). Awards will be issued as a check mailed to the lead proposer.

Each grant awardee is expected to

1. Allow their name, institution, and program description to be posted on the DPS website.
2. Share a one-page summary of the event(s) with the DPS that includes at least one visual (you must have permission to have identifiable pictures of others), preferably a picture of you, and a summary of the event and participants. This will be shared on the DPS website.
3. Present their program as a talk or poster at the next DPS meeting they attend - please note that there is an additional abstract slot reserved for education and outreach in addition to science talks/posters at the DPS meeting.

Applications should be no more than two pages and include the following:

1. Name, title, institution (if applicable), and contact information of the DPS member(s) applying. Emails for all are required, a phone number, and mailing address should be provided for the lead of the mini grant.
2. Short - 1 paragraph bios of the individual or team members proposing.
3. An overview of the program, including a timeline (subject to change due to ongoing worldwide events), and at least one outcome measure, articulating what the program is intended to achieve (this will be shared on the DPS website).
4. A list of any partners (e.g. museum, school), if applicable.
5. A budget of what the funding will be used for.
6. Identified audience and any arrangements that have been made with that audience or to reach that audience.
7. An acknowledgment of the DPS expectations listed above.
8. Optional, you may include pictures or other images.
9. Email proposals to [buxner@psi.edu](mailto:buxner@psi.edu) [1] and you will receive an email confirmation.

Rubric for scoring:

Criteria	2	1	0
Is the individual or team current members of the DPS?	Yes	-	No
Is the program well explained?	Well explained program, it is clear what the team is doing	Simple explanation given, not entirely clear what the program will entail	No explanation
At least one goal or outcome is articulated (what is the program hoping to achieve)	Goals/outcomes are clearly articulated and reasonable	Outcome is articulated and is either unreasonable or unclear	No goals articulated
Presence and quality of feedback/evaluation	Appropriate evaluation or feedback mechanism is described	Feedback does not align with program	No feedback identified
Budget and reasonableness	Costs are fully described and within cost cap and reasonable	Costs are not fully described or not within cost cap	Costs are not described
Alignment to DPS goals to support DPS members to engage other members, students, teachers, or the public in high quality programming	Program is well aligned with DPS goals	Unclear if the program aligns with DPS goals	Program not aligned with member outreach
Audience identified	Audience(s) are identified and program	Audience has been identified, but no arrangements have been made	No specific audience

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[1] <mailto:buxner@psi.edu>