



ANS Diversity and Inclusion in ANS Committee

GEORGE A. FERGUSON MOTIVATIONAL GRANT

Utilizing the Nuclear Engineering Education for the Disadvantage (NEED) funds, the Diversity and Inclusion in ANS (DIA) Committee administers the George A. Ferguson Motivational Grants. Grants are awarded to kindergarten through high school educators who wish to expand their STEM curriculum by introducing nuclear science to their students. The grants are open to all K-12 educators, however, priority is given to educators that serve culturally and economically disadvantaged students in the United States or programs that are co-sponsored by ANS local and/or student sections.

GUIDELINES

An applicant may receive one grant per year. The limit for a single grant is \$5,000. Recipients must complete the project within 12 months after receiving the grant, and a grant report must be submitted to the ANS DIA Committee within two months after completion of the project.

Grants funds may not be awarded for the same program more than three (3) times.

The following provide guidance on general expectations, timeline, and restrictions on expenditures using NEED funds. The DIA Committee reserves the right to reduce the amount of a grant to an institution if the proposal contains activities that are not aligned with NEED's mission.

Appropriate funding requests include:

1. Purchase of equipment or materials needed to support nuclear science curriculum, such as:
 - Geiger counters
 - Cloud chambers
 - Dry ice
 - Radioactive sources
2. Travel for groups of 5 or more to tour nuclear-related facilities (power plants, research reactors, nuclear medical centers, national laboratories/universities etc.)
3. Expenses for ANS sections to expand [Navigating Nuclear: Energizing Our World™](#), [Nuclear in Every Classroom](#), [Nuclear Explorers](#) or Teacher Workshops
4. Scout groups of 5 or more working on requirements for the [BSA Nuclear Science Merit Badge](#) or [ANS's Get to Know Nuclear Girl Scout patch](#).
5. Invited speakers/researchers with hands-on activities.

Final Reports:

1. Reports are due 2 months after completing the project.
2. Reports should be outcome-based and discuss the impact on the desired outcome, including metrics where available.
3. Provide as much evidence of the direct impact of funding on educational successes as possible.
4. Provide proof of expenses, including copies of receipts, to support adherence to proposal objectives and budget.
5. Provide photos and/or video from the event.
6. Report revisions and updates are welcomed.
7. Failure to submit reports will render the institution ineligible to receive additional grants from ANS until the report is submitted.

Timeline:

Application Deadline	Review/Evaluation	Funding Awarded
May 1	ANS Annual Meeting (June)	July 1
October 1	ANS Winter Meeting (Oct/Nov)	December 1

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