Call for Conference Funding Proposals from Graduate Students

Realizing the Digital Enterprise Funding period up to June 30, 2020

The *Realizing the Digital Enterprise* (RDE) research area announces the availability of funds for graduate students of RDE members to present their research work at conferences from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The purpose of this funding opportunity is to provide support for Polytechnic graduate researchers to interact with the broader research community, learn about new developments, and share the intent and activities of the RDE community with a larger audience. We hope this support ultimately leads to increased collaborations with external researchers, the development of cutting-edge research ideas, and the overall development of this Polytechnic research community.

To be considered, graduate students of RDE members must submit a full paper to a conference that uses peer review for papers, with the RDE member listed as a co-author. Upon acceptance into the conference, the graduate student may submit an application and present their request at the RDE meeting following their submission. Please allow for at least 2 days between submitting the proposal and presentation at the RDE meeting. Proposals must include the following sections, with an overall limit of one (1) page:

- 1. Who: Requestor and RDE Mentor
- 2. What: Briefly describe conference/workshop, and provide a URL to the event.
- 3. Where/When: Provide location and dates for the conference/workshop.
- 4. Why: Describe the work submitted to the conference, the purpose of the conference or workshop, demonstrate the conference's high caliber, and briefly describe how it relates to the Polytechnic RDE impact area.
- 5. How much: Total amount requested for travel and conference/workshop fees, up to \$600.

Expected Deliverables

- Two (2) page description (max) of the conference and activities you attended, containing a photograph of the event showing your presence, and any new ideas you gleaned or generated from the conference that would be relevant to the RDE community.
- Description and contact information of at least two new contacts you made at the event.
- Presentation (5 to 10 minutes) to the RDE community on your experiences and observations.

Review Process

Proposals will be reviewed by the *Realizing the Digital Enterprise* community following the presentation to the group and voted on. Following this process, RDE Champion Hacker will recommend favorably reviewed proposals to the Polytechnic Associate Dean for Research for funding consideration and approval. We expect to fund proposals at the level of \$600, where the budget for all RDE conference awards is \$12,000, depending on the availability of funds. Up to \$6,000 will be made available from July 2019, and the remainder will be made available starting January 2020. No more than 3 graduate student conference awards will be made available per RDE faculty member per year.

Timeline

Proposals must be submitted to Felicia Anderson at fanderso@purdue.edu as a Microsoft Word or PDF attachment with a subject line "RDE Graduate Student Conference Funding Proposal 2019-2020." Reviews will be conducted on a first come-first serve basis considering the relevance to the RDE mission, high caliber of the conference, acceptance of presentation of a full paper, and access to matching funds.