

EDGE CENTER | DEPARTMENT OF HISPANIC SERVING INSTITUTION INITIATIVES

Statement of Purpose for Conference Travel: The Conference Travel Stipend supports travel to academic & professional conferences only. If you notice any application outside of this, please notify Alex Ruiz, EDGE Center Coordinator at alex.ruiz2@uta.edu.

Applicant Name: _____ Applicant UTA Mav ID: _____

Conference Name:

Conference Dates:

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER	Score = 0	Score = 1	Score = 2	Score = 3	Score = 4	Score = 5
To what extent does the applicant describe how attending would benefit their academic & professional development?	Provides a very <u>inadequate</u> rationale explanation <i>or</i> This section is missing.	Provides a <u>very</u> <u>vague</u> rationale for their attendance & impact on academic/professio nal development.	Provides <u>basic</u> <u>rationale</u> for their attendance & impact on academic/professio nal development.	Provides <u>reasonable</u> <u>rationale</u> for their attendance & impact on academic/profession al development.	Provides <u>strong</u> <u>rationale</u> for their attendance & development, but not as well- reasoned as 5.	Applicant provides a <u>detailed and</u> <u>well-reasoned</u> rationale for their attendance & development.
To what extent does the applicant describe the contribution that their attendance will have on degree completion?	Demonstrates <u>no</u> <u>contribution</u> to their degree completion - or- This section is missing.	Demonstrates <u>little</u> <u>contribution</u> to their degree completion.	Demonstrates <u>some contribution</u> to their degree completion.	Demonstrates <u>average</u> <u>contribution</u> to their degree completion.	Demonstrates <u>above average</u> contribution to their degree completion.	Demonstrates a <u>strong contribution</u> to their degree completion.
To what extent does the applicant describe the benefit of their attendance to the UTA community?	Provides <u>no</u> <u>explanation</u> of how their attendance at the event will benefit the UTA community upon their return -or- This section is missing.	Provides a <u>vague</u> <u>explanation</u> of how their attendance at the event will benefit the UTA community upon their return.	Provides <u>some</u> <u>explanation</u> of how their attendance at the event will benefit the UTA community upon their return.	Makes a <u>good</u> <u>attempt</u> at providing an explanation of how their attendance will benefit the UTA community upon their return.	Makes a <u>strong</u> <u>attempt</u> at providing an explanation of how their attendance at the event will benefit the UTA community upon their return.	<u>Clearly</u> <u>demonstrates</u> how attendance at the event will benefit the UTA community upon their return.



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Budget Justification: Ensure that the dates of travel match the dates of the conference (confirm online before proceeding). If the applicant plans on staying longer, check to ensure that the applicant has separated the cost of personal travel from the total amount requested from the EDGE Center.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER	Score = 0	Score = 1	Score = 2	Score = 3	Score = 4
To what extent does the applicant present a budget that is reasonable and cost- effective?	Applicant's budget is unreasonable and not cost-effective. <i>-or-</i> Section is blank or incomplete.	Budget contains items that are unreasonable (e.g. lodging at \$400 a night, business class flights, etc.).	Budget is reasonable. <i>-or-</i> Budget contains some errors or inconsistencies.	Budget is reasonable. AND Applicant demonstrates <u>some</u> cost-saving strategies (e.g. outside funding, shared rooming, advance purchase for airfare, early-bird registration, etc.)	Budget is reasonable. <i>AND</i> <u>Clearly demonstrates</u> cost-saving strategies (e.g. outside funding, shared rooming, advance purchase for airfare, early-bird registration, etc.).

Application	Conference Schedule	Written Statement	Budget Proposal
STATEMENT SUBSCORE:		REVIEWED BY:	
BUDGET SUBSCORE:		APPROVED BY:	
TOTAL SCORE:		DATE OF APPROVAL:	