BACKGROUND: TWENTY FIVE POINTS (25 POINTS)

- Applicant’s academic/professional interests and stage in degree program are clearly stated (0-10 points)
- Activity is described in detail: What exactly will the applicant do, where and when it is happening, and why it is significant for the applicant’s interests (0-10 points)
- Activity is put into context of the applicant’s academic/professional field at large (0-5 points)

BENEFITS: THIRTY POINTS (30 POINTS)

- Proposed activity’s benefits to applicant are clearly stated and linked to academic or professional development (0-15 points)
- Benefits of applicant’s work to academic/professional community are clearly stated (0-15 points)

COMPOSITION: FIFTEEN POINTS (15 POINTS)

- Proposal flows logically and writing is clear. (0-5 points)
- Proposal is suitable for a general academic audience. Technical terms are defined. (0-5 points)
- Proposal shows evidence of proofreading, with few errors in grammar or usage (0-5 points)

BUDGET: THIRTY POINTS (30 POINTS)

- Applicant pursued other sources of funding within the University or academic community (e.g. department, Office of Graduate Studies, Career Services), or from outside organizations relevant to the applicant’s research (0 OR 10 points)
- Budget has been completed using the GPSA Budget template and items to be funded by SRG/PDG, applicant, or other sources are indicated as such (0 OR 5 points)
- Budget appears well-researched and complete for scope of project (names of facilities, dates, itineraries, etc.), listing all spending related to activity. Choices appear to be economical and/or are explained (0-15 points)