

## **Call for Applications: GENI Engineering Conference Diversity Travel Grants**

With support from the National Science Foundation, a limited amount of travel support funding is available through the GENI Project Office for persons wishing to attend the 7th GENI Engineering Conference. The purpose of the travel grants is to increase the educational, ethnic and geographic diversity of the conference attendees and to create opportunities for informal social networking between participants from a wide range of universities and companies.

### **Deadline:**

Travel grant applications are due by February 26th -- any applications received after this date will be considered only if money remains available after evaluating the applications received on or before the due date. Applications will be reviewed by a diverse panel of researchers. We will notify grant awardees within 2 weeks after receiving their applications.

### **Contents of Application:**

Applications for a travel grant should contain:

- *Biography:* a brief description of the applicant, including your name, gender, title, business or school affiliation, address, and, if a student, current year in degree path and when the degree is expected.
- *Application:* A brief letter explaining why the applicant's participation in the GENI Engineering Conference would be beneficial both to the candidate (what the applicant expects to learn at the conference) and the other attendees (how the applicant is likely to improve the geographic or ethnic diversity of the conference, or how the applicant reflects an intellectual community likely to be underrepresented at the conference such as K-12 education).
- *Reference Letter:* For student applicants a letter from the student's advisor confirming the expected benefits to the applicant.
- *Cost Estimate:* An estimate of the round-trip airfare from the candidate's home airport to the conference area airport and the number of nights hotel support the applicant expects to need.

### **Restrictions:**

Grants are only available to residents of the US.

### **Submission Address:**

Applications should be sent to:

gec@geni.net with the subject "*Travel Grant Application*"