

Grant Recipient



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Activities

- ❖ While attending the conference I participated in the following ways:
- ❖ I volunteered as a faculty mentor in a workshop for PhD students who are on the job market this year. This allowed me to meet upcoming scholars and answer questions about/ advocate for job positions at STEM-focused universities like Missouri S&T.
- ❖ I attended a networking lunch for Women in Technical Communication, where we workshopped solutions to common pedagogical questions.
- ❖ I met with many established scholars in technical communication, including members of the executive committee for ATTW. I also networked with peer scholars and graduate students.

Proposal

- ❖ Association of Teachers of Technical Writing (ATTW) Conference in Pittsburgh, PA | March 12-13
- ❖ I requested funding for the conference registration, registration at a conference-sponsored networking lunch, hotel, rental car & gas, and per diem
- ❖ I chose this conference because it is the most established and respected pedagogically- focused conference in the field of Technical Communication. The focus on pedagogy was important to me because I am encountering new teaching challenges in the unique environment here at Missouri S&T, and I was looking for some innovative ideas from experts in my field. This conference is also relatively small and acts as a gathering place for some of the scholars I respect most in TC, and as such is an outstanding networking opportunity.

Outcomes

- ❖ During the trip I met with a co-author, and together we received feedback on a chapter that we are currently preparing for publication.
- ❖ I also made research connections with 2 peer scholars (separately), which we plan on turning into collaborative research work at the intersections of technical communication, rhetoric, and digital activism.
- ❖ While attending the conference and meeting with members of the executive committee, I requested consideration to be an organizational aide at next year's conference. I hope that this will lead to opportunities that allow me to participate directly in conference planning and organization in the future.