

Space Grant to Fund Wisconsin STEM Efforts at \$250K+

KENOSHA, Wis. – The Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium (WSGC) at Carthage College will distribute more than \$250,000 to students, faculty, and industry partners throughout the state of Wisconsin. WSGC aims to develop and equip the citizens of Wisconsin with the science, technology, engineering, and math tools to support a thriving Wisconsin science and aerospace science workforce pipeline.

Students and faculty from 28 Wisconsin Colleges and Universities can participate in the competitively awarded funding. Individual awards range from \$1,500 to \$8,000. Application deadlines run from January 27 – February 13.

“My participation in the NASA SEED program through the Reduced Gravity Office gave me my first exposure to performing real research, as well as my first exposure to engineering work,” stated Carthage College Alumnus Steven Mathe, WSGC 2010, 2012-2013 award recipient. “This directly led to my current path in Mechanical Engineering, as well as my internship with the Air Force Research Lab Space Vehicles Directorate.”

WSGC supports Undergraduate Research and Scholarships; Graduate & Professional Research Fellowships; Faculty Programs; Industry (Internship) Programs; and K-12 Outreach Programs. Students can also participate in NASA programs throughout the nation through Wisconsin Space Grant funding.

“Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium provides exciting opportunities for students and faculty to be on the cutting edge of space and aerospace science research and exploration,” added Christine Thompson, WSGC Program Manager. “We want to help financially support the next generation of STEM students and professionals in hopes they will be our nation’s greatest innovators.”

The Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium is a member of the Congressionally-funded National Space Grant College Scholarship and Fellowship Program which is administered by NASA. All funding is competitively awarded based upon application information, GPA, faculty recommendation, the research project, and NASA directorates.

Find more details on Facebook, Twitter, and spacegrant.carthage.edu. Contact the WSGC program office spacegrant@carthage.edu.

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About WSGC: The Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium (WSGC) is part of a national network of consortia funded by NASA's National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program. Congress established the program in 1988 to contribute to the nation's scientific enterprise through research, education, and public service projects.

About Carthage College: Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin, has been the lead institution for WSGC since August 2014. Carthage is a four-year, private liberal arts college with roots in the Lutheran tradition, combining an environment of reflection and self-discovery with a culture of high expectation so students uncover and ignite their true potential.