



Affiliate Match and Membership Obligations

WSGC Affiliate members are required to provide annual match reports on grants and other institutional support of WSGC-related work. Membership in the WSGC also requires a nominal membership fee determined by Affiliate Institution type and size. Both match and membership fee requirements are summarized below. For additional information contact Christine Thompson, WSGC Assistant Director, at cthompson2@carthage.edu.

Match requirement:

Match on Research Grants:

Space Grant is a NASA Training Grant, and as such, WSGC requires institutional match on research grants (but not on fellowships and scholarships). Institutions can either propose a straight cash match in which the WSGC funding is matched in cash contributions (typically 1:1) by the institution, or (more commonly) in-kind matching. In-kind match represents the value of non-cash contributions to the funded project. Examples of in-kind match include:

- faculty salary
- student stipends provided by the institution
- student housing/meals provided by the institution (for residential colleges/universities).
- waiver of institutional F&A (indirect) expenses.

A typical in-kind match scenario would be a \$5000 grant from the WSGC for a faculty member to pursue a research project with two students over the summer. The WSGC funds might support a student stipend at \$3000, research materials at \$1500, and travel expenses for the student and faculty to present their results at the WSGC conference at \$500. The institution would match the \$5000 with in-kind contributions of faculty salary for the summer project. At schools with residential students, the match often comes from the room/board expenses associated with hosting a student over the summer.

Institutional Match:

In order for WSGC participation to have lasting impact on student career choices, the WSGC encourages a high-level of faculty and student participation in its programs. This is represented in the requirement that affiliate members provide institutional match that can include matching funds from research grants (as above) and curriculum grants, but also includes the time spent by Institutional Representatives on WSGC business. We ask that each institution appoint an Institutional Representative (IR) who attends the two annual meetings, annual conference, serves on review panels for grants, and serves as the recruiting and communications contact for WSGC programs on the local campus. The time committed by the IR to carry out these obligations is the primary source of institutional match.

WSGC is required to demonstrate \$425,000 in affiliate match each year. To document this match, we ask that Institutional Representatives submit annual match reports that indicate the types and amounts of in-kind match provided. Match funds vary by institution size and by involvement in WSGC programs, but a typical 4-year academic affiliate matches around \$15k/year (in-kind), and a typical two-year institution matches around \$5k/year (in-kind).



Membership Fees:

The membership fees support the Space Grant efforts in promoting the SG program at the state and national level. Federal funds cannot be used to promote/communicate with our representatives in D.C., and so SG Consortia have adopted the model of collecting small membership fees that go to supporting our membership in the SG Alliance, a non-profit group that maintains awareness of our programs and successes on Capitol Hill.

Academic Institution membership fees are based upon full-time student population:

<5000	\$100
5,000 to 15,000	\$250
>15,000	\$500

Industry membership fees are based upon \$\$\$ in contracts:

<\$100,000	\$0
\$100,000 to \$1M	\$100
\$1M to \$5M	\$200
>\$50M	\$500

Government Agencies (State and federal agencies are typically prohibited from providing membership fees to support the activities provided by SG Alliance):

\$0

Non-profits:

\$100

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