

STUDENT OPPORTUNITY PROJECT FUNDS:
TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL GRANT APPLICATION

Project Description: Clarity and completeness are important. Provide sufficient detail on the nature of your research or creative endeavor and describe the extent of any collaboration with faculty and peers.

Faculty Assessment: Your faculty sponsor must endorse your proposed work. We strongly encourage you to work with your sponsor while crafting your proposal. Your sponsor should provide feedback on your proposal while it is still in draft form. While the Student Opportunity Funds Committee does not require faculty sponsors to submit letters supporting SOF applications, it does both read with care and fold into its deliberations the comments of those faculty who do choose to submit letters supporting their students' proposals.

Enhancement to Your Education and Potential Benefits to the Skidmore Community: Please take these two questions (on the application form) seriously. They ask you to expand your field of vision beyond your individual project.

Follow-Up: Be certain to acknowledge support from Skidmore College Student Opportunity Funds in your publication or presentation. Any equipment or unused supplies purchased with Student Opportunity Funds must be returned to the college. Finally, remember to file your expense report, with original receipts, to ensure that the IRS does not treat your grant as taxable income.

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