Exploring Diversity in Technology's History (EDITH)
Conference Support Awards - 2018

The Society for the History of Technology (SHOT) Special Interest Group Exploring Diversity in Technology’s History (EDITH) announces its conference grant program for 2018. The EDITH grants are designed to defray costs associated with participating in the SHOT annual meeting, typically lodging, meals, and other incidental expenses. Eligibility is open to individuals giving a paper at the 2018 SHOT annual meeting in St. Louis.

EDITH was founded in 2012 with the dual aims of supporting scholars and scholarship currently underrepresented in the history of technology and at SHOT. EDITH works toward incorporating insights from the fields of race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, and disability studies – and growing attention to the intersectionality of such categories – into the scholarship of the history of technology and providing an intellectual home within SHOT to a broad range of scholars.

The EDITH conference support award prioritizes promoting the participation of: presenters with incomplete funding from other sources, presenters who are new to SHOT, graduate students, presenters belonging to any group underrepresented in SHOT, and scholars whose paper seeks to provoke analysis of difference, diversity, power, alterity, intersectionalities, etc. in the history of technology. Preference will be given to those who have not received funding from EDITH in recent years.

EDITH grants typically range from $250 to $300, with the possibility of additional funds depending on an applicant’s stated need, the number of applications, and on the group’s resources. These grants will be presented in the form of a check at the annual meeting, with recognition at the EDITH luncheon meeting.

To apply for the EDITH conference support award, please send a cover letter explaining how you will contribute to "Exploring Diversity" in SHOT. Please also include: a brief budget outlining anticipated total expenses associated with your trip, including travel, listing any grants or funding you have already received and those for which you are applying, as well as steps you are taking to limit costs; an abstract of your proposed paper with evidence that it has been accepted by the SHOT program committee; and a one-page curriculum vitae. All application materials should be forwarded to the chair of the award committee, Philip Brown at brown.113@osu.edu. The application deadline is August 15, 2018 (decisions by Sept 15). If you have any questions, please contact Philip Brown at brown.113@osu.edu, EDITH Convener Prasad Venugpal (venugoep@udmercy.edu) or EDITH Scribe Nina Lerman (lermanne@whitman.edu)

We encourage applicants to apply for a SHOT travel grant if eligible, and/or a WITH award, understanding that funding from more than one source can sometimes be combined. The EDITH award may supplement the SHOT grant, which helps cover the more substantial costs of airfare and basic conference registration. For more information on SHOT travel grants, see: https://www.historyoftechnology.org/about-us/travel-grants/