

2018 Pittsburgh Conference Memorial National College Grants Program Criteria

The Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy (a Pennsylvania non-profit Corporation) and its co-sponsoring technical societies, The Society for Analytical Chemists of Pittsburgh (SACP) and The Spectroscopy Society of Pittsburgh (SSP) proudly announce the 2018 Pittsburgh Conference Memorial National College Grants (PCMNCG) Program.

Grants will be awarded to small college science departments for the purchase of scientific equipment, audio-visual or other teaching aids, and/or library materials for use in the teaching of science at the undergraduate level.

Based on anticipated funds, we expect that at least ten (10) colleges will be selected to receive grants. The amount requested in each proposal may not exceed \$10,000.

To be eligible for an award, schools must meet the following criteria.

1. Enrollment must not exceed 5000 full-time students.
2. No more than 25% of the operating budget may come from national or state governments. Two-year community colleges sponsored by political subdivisions of a state are not bound by criteria 1 and 2.
3. Requests for materials to be used only for research purposes will not be funded.
4. Awards may be used as part of "Matching Grant" programs; use of matching funds to increase the overall impact of the grant will be considered in the evaluation of proposals and is highly encouraged.
5. Schools are ineligible for the PCMNCG program for a three-year period following receipt of the PCMNCG grant (award recipient colleges from 2015, 2016 and 2017 are not eligible for the 2018 program).

Faculty members are urged to participate by obtaining an application form and submitting an original no later than **October 2, 2017** to:

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Award winners will be announced by January, 2018. Selected schools will join the list of almost 300 institutions honored since the start of this program in 1974.