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Student Scholar and Volunteer Program

AAAI is pleased to announce the continuation of its Student Scholar and Volunteer Programs. The Student Scholar Program provides partial travel support and a complimentary technical program registration for students who are full-time undergraduate or graduate students at colleges and universities; are members of AAAI; submit papers to the technical program or letters of recommendation from their faculty advisor; and submit scholarship applications to AAAI by April 15, 2000. In addition, repeat scholarship applicants must have fulfilled the volunteer and reporting requirements for previous awards.

In the event that scholarship applications exceed available funds, preference will be given to students who have an accepted technical paper, and then to students who are actively participating in the conference in some way. However, all eligible students are encouraged to apply.

After the conference, an expense report will be required to account for the funds awarded. For further information about the Scholarship Program, or to obtain an application, please contact AAAI at scholarships@aaai.org, or 445 Burgess Drive, Menlo Park, Ca, 94025. (650) 328-3123.

All student scholarship recipients will be required to participate in the Student Volunteer Program to support AAAI organizers in Austin. The Volunteer Program is an essential part of the conference and student participation is a valuable contri-

Students not requiring travel assistance should only apply for the Volunteer Program, which provides complimentary registration to full time students, including conference proceedings, in exchange for assisting AAAI-2000 organizers in Austin. This program does not provide any scholarship funds, and is designed for local students or students who have other sources for travel funds. AAAI membership is required for eligibility. For further information regarding the Student Volunteer Program, please contact AAAI at volunteer@aaai..org The deadline for volunteer applications is May 31, 2000.

Student Abstract and Poster Program

AAAI-2000 invites submissions to the student abstract and poster program. The goal of this program is to provide a forum in which students can present and discuss their work during its early stages, meet some of their peers who have related interests, and introduce themselves to more senior members of the field. The program is open to all pre-Ph.D students. Nonstudent advisors or collaborators should be acknowledged appropriately, as coauthors or otherwise. However, students are requested to honor the spirit of the program by submitting only work for which they are primary investigators.

Summary of Dates

- Authors must submit six (6) printed copies of a two-page abstract describing their research, to arrive at the AAAI office no later than January 19, 2000. We also request that authors submit the URL of a location where reviewers can access complementary material about the student's research. The URL is critical to reviewers because of the brevity of the hard-copy submission.
- Notification of acceptance or rejection of submitted abstracts will be mailed to the author by March 15, 2000.
- Camera-ready copy of accepted abstracts will be due by April 4, 2000.

Summary of Format

Submissions must be printed on 8 1/2 x 11 inch or A4 paper using 12 point type (10 characters per inch for typewriters). Each page must have a maximum of 38 lines and an average of 75 characters per line (corresponding to the LaTeX article-style, 12 point).

All abstracts must be no more than two pages, not including the bibliography. The first two pages must include the following: title; the primary author's full name, affiliation, postal address, phone number, URL (if available), and e-mail address; all coauthors' full names and affiliations; text; and any figures, tables, or diagrams. Up to one additional page may be used exclusively for the bibliography if necessary.

Papers exceeding the specified length and formatting requirements are subject to rejection without review.

Submissions to AAAI-2000 or Other Conferences

Students are free to submit abstracts for work reported in a regular paper submitted to the AAAI-2000 or another conference, but not for work that has already been published. Abstracts will be accepted or rejected for the student session regardless of the outcomes of related paper submissions.

Publication

Accepted abstracts will be allocated one (1) page in the conference proceedings. Students will be required to transfer copyright of the abstract to AAAI.

Poster Session

Accepted abstracts will be allocated presentation time and space in the student poster display area at the conference. Student authors of accepted abstracts must agree to prepare a poster representing the work described in their abstracts and to be available to discuss their work with visitors during their allocated time in the student poster display area.

Student Abstract Submissions & Inquiries Please send abstracts to:

■ AAAI-2000 Student Abstracts American Association for Artificial Intelligence 445 Burgess Drive Menlo Park, CA 94025-3442 USA

Registration and call clarification inquiries may be sent to ncai@aaai.org. All other inquiries and suggestions should be directed to the Student Abstract and Poster Program Chair:

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