

Reform of Introductory Science Courses for Non-Majors
Interim Report for Mini-Grants Awarded Spring 2006

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Title of Project: *Incorporating Technology and Assessment into Superscience*

Date (s) of Project: May 2006-May 2007

Amount Awarded: \$2500.00

1. Original Goals and Objectives

The goals of this project are to write and administer interactive computerized assignments for *How Things Work* and *Human and Natural Disasters* using QuestionMark Perception for Web Authoring and Server software.

2. Changes in Goals/Objectives

No changes were made to our original plan.

3. Activities Underway

During the Fall semester we have been writing pre- and post-lab assignments for *How Things Work*. We have been in discussions with the Questionmark Software about the best way to purchase the software.

4. Unanticipated Delays

We have delayed the purchase of the software because the vendor recommends purchasing a support plan for at least the first year. Since the Superscience Faculty have not used this software previously, we feel it is in the best interest for the success of this project if we buy the support plan. We submitted a grant to ACS for the next cycle to pay for this grant. We still anticipate the completion of the project by May 2007.

5. Approved Budget

Our approved budget of \$2500.00 is being used to purchase Questionmark software.

6. Amount of Budget Spent to Date

None