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This document serves as a summary of the UC Berkeley Script Encoding Initiative's recent activities as they relate to WG2. The Script Encoding Initiative was established to help scholars and user communities get various unencoded characters and scripts proposed for inclusion in the UCS/Unicode, and to ensure that current proposals are reviewed by specialists. SEI focuses on unencoded modern minority scripts and historic scripts. SEI welcomes working with user communities and national bodies on script proposals, and welcomes email inquiries (dwarders@berkeley.edu).

Proposals currently submitted to WG2 that have involved SEI assistance:

- Additional Bamum characters (Everson, Riley, Tuchscherer)
- Batak (Everson)
- Pahawh Hmong (Everson)
- Old Hungarian
- Khojki and Sharada scripts (Pandey)
- Exploratory proposal to encode Germanicist, Nordicist, and other phonetic characters (Everson)
- Newton Alchemical Symbols proposal (Newman et al.)

Ongoing work continues on the following:

- Old Sundanese (Everson)
- Meroitic (Everson)
- Manichaeian (Everson and Durkin-Meisterernst)
- Sora Sompeng (Everson)
- Chakma (Everson and Hosken)
- Ranjana (Everson)
- Varang Kshiti (Everson)
- Takri script (Pandey)
- Kpelle and Bassa Vah (Riley)
- Jurchen codechart and codecharts for Old Albanian alphabets
- Anatolian Hieroglyphs (Everson)
- Work on a number of Indic scripts proposals (including Modi and Tirhuta extensions for Bengali) (Pandey)

Proposals for missing Greek papyrological signs, Byzantine Greek, and Palaeohispanic characters are being discussed. Deborah Anderson is encouraging additional participation from Egyptologists for future work on Ptolemaic signs. She has also submitted an application to the National Endowment for the Humanities for funding to cover future work for 2009-2011.