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NASA's Minority University Research and Education Project (MUREP) has awarded approximately $2 million in new cooperative agreements to three tribal colleges and universities (TCUs).

These new agreements provide opportunities for TCU students, faculty and staff to engage in NASA-related science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) activities.

The awards, made through the NASA Tribal College and University Experiential Learning Opportunity (TCU-ELO) program, has a three-year performance period and range in value from $512,700 to $783,000. The agreements will assist these tribal colleges and their partners in the creation of experiential learning opportunities for students.

The selected institutions for 2014 are:

-- Haskell Indian Nations University, Lawrence, Kan.
-- Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute, Albuquerque, N.M.
-- Chief Dull Knife College, Lame Deer, Mont.

The winning proposals offer innovative methods, approaches and concepts to make appropriate use of current NASA-unique engineering and scientific resources. There also is a strong emphasis on engaging students and educators at the elementary, secondary and undergraduate levels.

NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., manages and administers TCU-ELO activity. TCU-ELO supports NASA's goal of engaging tribal community in the critical STEM disciplines and focuses on inspiring the next generation of explorers.

For a list of selected organizations and project descriptions, click on "Selected Proposals" and see the entry for "2013-2014 NASA Tribal College and University Experiential Learning Opportunity (TCU-ELO)" at:

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