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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:

- Roadmapping the scripts of Nepal (/Preliminary proposal for encoding the Rañjana script) (Everson)
- Sharada (Pandey)
- Chakma (Everson)
- Meroitic (Everson)
- Sora Sompeng (Everson)
- Additional Sundanese (Everson)
- Astronomical symbol for Uranus (Laurentiu)
- Two Kashmiri characters (Anderson, Pournader, et al.)
- Pentagonam characters (Lazrek and Anderson)
- Manichaeic (Everson and Durkin-Meisterernst)
- Pahawh Hmong (Everson)
- Warang Citi (Everson)

Ongoing work continues on the following:

- Anatolian Hieroglyphs (new glyph/character info being incorporated)
- Indic scripts (Modi, Takri, Khojki, Maithili)
- Chinook (/Duployéan) shorthands
- Coptic Numerals
- Samvat Date Sign for Arabic
- Dvihei script
- Old Albanian scripts

- Kpelle and Bassa Vah
- Numerals for Siyaq
- Arabic math symbols

Proposals for missing Greek papyrological signs, Byzantine Greek characters, and Palaeohispanic characters are being discussed, as is future work on extensions for Egyptian Hieroglyphs (Ptolemaic signs).