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This document provides a summary of the UC Berkeley Script Encoding Initiative's recent activities.

Proposals/documents

Proposals or documents currently submitted to the UTC that have involved SEI include:

- Encoding proposal for an extended Egyptian Hieroglyphs repertoire (revised) – Suignard et al. ([L2/23-181R](#))
- Proposal for encoding the Beria Erfe (Zaghawa) script in the SMP -- Siddick Adam Issa, et al. ([L2/24-004](#))
- Bété (Ivorian alphabet) working document – Yeo et al. ([L2/23-279](#))

Reports and Feedback

- Recommendations to UTC #178 (L2/24-013) (Goregaokar et al.) (L2/24-013)
- Additional comments on [L2/21-115](#) (Proposal for modifying the Old Hungarian block) -- Viktor Kovács ([L2/24-003](#))

Ongoing Work

Documents on Persian Siyaq and Sirmauri are expected in 2024. Anshuman Pandey is also working on Kerinci, Kulitan, Linear Elamite, Lampung, Proto-Elamite, Proto-Cuneiform, Ranjana, and Proto-Sinaitic, thanks to a grant from the Unicode AAC program.

Script Proposals in Progress

The following scripts have received SEI support in the past and are either in a preliminary stage, or are almost ready for approval, but require more information.

Script Proposals in Active Development

- **Book Pahlavi** (Pandey) [[L2/21-090](#)]
- **Kerinci** (Pandey)
- **Kulitan** (Pandey) [[L2/15-232](#)]
- **Lampung** (Pandey) [[L2/22-044](#)]
- **Linear Elamite** (Pandey) [[L2/21-233](#)]
- **Maya Hieroglyphs – Classic** (Vail) [[L2/23-020](#)]
- **Maya Hieroglyphs – Codical** (Pallán) [[L2/23-196](#)]
- **Persian Siyaq** (Pandey) [[L2/21-105](#)]
- **Proto-Cuneiform** (Pandey) [[L2/23-190](#)]
- **Proto-Elamite** (Pandey) [[L2/23-196](#)]
- **Proto-Sinaitic** (Pandey) [[L2/19-299](#)]
- **Ranjana** (Pandey) [[L2/23-028](#)]
- **Seal** (Cook) [[L2/22-279](#)]
- **Sirmauri** (Pandey) [[L2/18-085](#)]

Work Awaiting More Information

- **Afáka** (Everson) [N4292=L2/12-228]
- **Bagam** (Everson) [N4293=L2/12-229]
- **Balti 'A' and 'B'** (Pandey) [N3842=L2/10-231, N4016=L2/11-103]
- **Bhujinmol** (Pandey) [L2/14-283]
- **Coorgi-Cox** (Pandey) [N4287=L2/12-217]
- **Dhimal** (Pandey) [N4140=L2/11-348]
- **Eeebee Hmong** (Everson) [N4668=L2/15-180]
- **Eskaya** (Pandey) [N4499=L2/13-229]
- **Kpelle** (Everson and Riley) [N3762=L2/10-063]
- **Landa** (Pandey) [N3768=L2/10-013]
- **Loma** (Everson) [N3756=L2/10-005; cf. L2/17-059 and L2/17-233]
- **Magar Akkha** (Pandey) [N4036=L2/11-144]
- **Mwangwego** (Everson) [N4323=L2/12-311]
- **Palaeohispanic, South and Palaeohispanic, North** [L2/22-146, L2/22-147]
- **Pallava** (Pandey) [L2/18-083]
- **Pau Cin Hau Syllabary** (Pandey) [L2/16-014]
- **Pyu** (Pandey) [N3874=L2/10-295]
- **Rejang Numbers** (Pandey) [L2/18-081]
- **Siyag -- Diwani** [L2/15-066] (Pandey) (cf. L2/15-340)
- **Tangsa - Khimhun** (Pandey) [N4497=L2/13-230]
- **Tani Lipi** (Pandey) [N3823=L2/10-146]
- **Tikamuli** (Pandey) [N3963=L2/10-465]
- **Woleai** (Everson) [N4146=L2/11-362]
- **Zou** (Pandey) [N3864=L2/10-254]

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Upcoming SEI presentations

SEI will be sponsoring a short talk by Anshuman Pandey at the [World Endangered Writing Day](#) on January 23, 2024, an event sponsored by the [Endangered Alphabets](#) project. Deborah Anderson, and SEI Research Associates Anushah Hossain, Isabelle Zaugg, and Anshuman Pandey will also be participating in the [Unicode and the Humanities Conference](#) at the University of Pittsburgh from February 2-3, 2024.

SEI at UC Berkeley

SEI will be maintaining its presence at UC Berkeley for the foreseeable future, with assistance from Anushah Hossain and others.