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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:

- **Vithkuqi**
    - Preliminary proposal for encoding the Vithkuqi script (L2/17-316=WG2 N4854) (Everson)

- **Reports, Recommendations, and Feedback:**
    - Recommendations to UTC #153 October 2017 on Script Proposals (L2/17-384) (Anderson et al.)
    - Brief IR Report on WG2 Meeting #66 and SC2 #22, Hohhot, Inner Mongolia (L2/17-354) (Anderson)
    - WG2 Consent Docket (L2/17-353)(Anderson and Whistler)
    - Mongolian Ad Hoc Report (Hohhot, Inner Mongolia) (L2/17-347=WG2 N4893) (Anderson)
    - Comments on WG2 #66 (Sept. 2017) documents (L2/17-367=N4885) (Anderson et al.)
    - Report on the Garay script (L2/17-322 = N4875) (Riley)
    - Report on the Bété script (L2/17-323 = N4876) (Riley)
    - Evidence of diaeresis in Armenian (L2/17-315) (Golev/Anderson)

On the following proposals, Anderson acted as a supervisor (with Rick McGowan), with funding provided by the Unicode Adopt-a-Character program:

- Proposal to encode Proposal to encode Divehi (L2/17-292) (Pandey)
- Proposal to encode the Elymaic script in Unicode (L2/17-226) (Pandey)
- Proposal to encode Ottoman Siyaq Numbers (L2/17-348) (Pandey)

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:

- **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]*
- **Book Pahlavi** (Everson, Pournader, Durkin-Meisternernst) *[N3294=L2/07-234] [later proposal by Pournader L2/13-141]*
- **Coorgi-Cox** (Pandey) *[N4287=L2/12-217]*
- **Cypro-Minoan** (Everson) *[N4733=L2/16-179]*
- **Dhimal** (Pandey) *[N4140=L2/11-348]*
- **Eebee Hmong** (Everson) *[N4668=L2/15-180]*

- **Egyptian Hieroglyphs (extended)** (Suignard) *[N4788=L2/17-073]*
- **Eskaya** (Pandey) *[N4499=L2/13-229]*
- **Garay** (Everson) *[N4709=L2/16-069]*
- **Jenticha** (Pandey) *[N4028=L2/11-218]*
- **Kawi** (Pandey) *[N4266=L2/12-125]*
- **Khambu Rai** (Pandey) *[N4018=L2/11-105]*
- **Khema Tamu Phri** [Gurung] (Pandey) *[N4019=L2/11-106]*
- **Kirat Rai** (Pandey) *[N4037=L2/11-145]*
- **Kpelle** (Everson and Riley) *[N3762=L2/10-063]*
- **Kulitan** (Pandey) *[L2/15-232]*
- **Landa** (Pandey) *[N3768=L2/10-013]*
- **Latin – Medievalist punctuation** (Everson) *[N4726=L2/16-125]*
- **Loma** *(Everson) [N3756=L2/10-005] (see also L2/17-059)*
- **Magar Akkha** (Pandey) *[N4036=L2/11-144]*
- **Mandombe** (Rovenchak) *[L2/16-077]*
- **Mwangwego** (Everson) *[N4323=L2/12-311]*
- **Palaeohispanic** (Joan Ferrer, et al. *[L2/17-129]*
- **Pau Cin Hau Syllabary** (Pandey) *[L2/16-014]*
- **Proto-Cuneiform (Everson)** *[L2/17-157=N4797]*
- **Pyu** (Pandey) *[N3874=L2/10-295]*
- **Ranjana** (Everson) *[N3649=L2/0-192]* (cf. Pandey *[L2/16-015]*)
- **Siyaq** (Pandey): Persian *[L2/15-122]*, Diwani *[L2/15-066]* (cf. *[L2/15-340]*)
- **Tangsa (Khimhun)** (Pandey) *[N4497=L2/13-230]*
- **Tangsa (Mossang)** (Pandey) *[N4496=L2/13-231]*
- **Tani Lipi** (Pandey) *[N3823=L2/10-146]*
- **Tikamuli** (Pandey) *[N3963-L2/10-465]*
- **Tolong Siki** (Pandey) *[N3811=L2/10-106]*
- **Western Cham** (Everson/Cunningham) *[WG2 N4734=L2/16-198]*
- **Woleai** (Everson) *[N4146=L2/11-362]*
- **Zou** (Pandey) *[N3864=L2/10-254]*

Meetings

In 2015, a grant was made to the Unicode Consortium from the Henry Luce Foundation to support meetings on issues relating to specific scripts of China and Mongolia, with Deborah Anderson as project lead. In 2015, she organized and participated in a meeting on the Soyombo and Zanabazar Square scripts in Tokyo, and in 2016 a meeting was held in Yinchuan, China, on the Khitan scripts (and reported in two ad hoc reports, WG2 N4736 and N4737). A meeting on Mongolian issues took place in Hohhot, Inner Mongolia, on September 23-25, 2017, with the outcome recorded in the ad hoc report L2/17-347. A meeting in 2018 is being planned.

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In 2016, the Unicode Consortium provided SEI a grant as part of the Adopt-A-Character program for work on Mayan hieroglyphs (based on the codices). A draft preliminary proposal is expected to be completed later in 2017.

Updated Font

SEI has also supported work on an Old Italic Unicode-compliant font, Italica Vetus, for the various alphabets of ancient Italy. An updated version of the font (with a version containing glyphs for RTL and LTR text) and keyboard are freely available from: http://scholarsfonts.net/old_italic.html