

Initiative Report for Counseling 2009-10

Install Smart Classroom in Building 1, Room 224

Summary:

Improve multimedia/audio-visual support for instructors in building 1, room 224, by converting the room into a Smart Classroom. Note: Even though 1/224 was not approved for 08-09, there were some extra funds available to start the improvement, and construction began in the summer of 2008. Therefore only IT knows the exact cost left to finish the project. The maximum amount of dollars requested for one smart room will once again be requested.

Description

In addressing Transforming Students Lives, Human Development Curriculum by definition, are designed to transform students lives. Therefore, this initiative addresses the ability for instructors to achieve this college priority through appropriate and innovative use of technology. In building 1, room 224 where Human Development courses are held, placement of audio/video devices, such as the requested equipment in this initiative, will meet the strategic direction of transforming the learning environment. This initiative would help build organizational capacity and systems to support student success and effective operations. It would also support a technological self-service environment while maintaining responsiveness to student needs. It would improve overall efficiency of operations and optimize resources. This initiative would allow more quality time for student/faculty interaction at the crucial times before and after class. Guest speakers will be able to use technology more spontaneously versus dependence on a portable unit that has to be pre-planned for use. Approximately 1,000 students will benefit from this project each year.

Questions and Answers

How is the initiative linked to the Unit Plans most recently submitted?

- 1. How does it continue the achievement of those goals?**
- 2. If this is a continuation of an initiative started last year, make sure that relationship is clear.**

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- 2. If this is a continuation of an efficiency or productivity plan started last year, make sure that relationship is clear.**

It is a continuing initiative. Numerous instructors utilize PowerPoint presentations, DVD and Internet resources to communicate effectively and increase student learning. Efficient use of technology allows material to be presented in a way which appeals to multiple learning styles (visual as well as auditory).

It is a continuing plan. Improved technological resources would increase student/faculty interactions; would model proper and efficient use of technology for students; and would provide more opportunities for students to engage in meaningful conversations with each other and with faculty. Improvements in utilization can be made. Currently, the computer and projector are on carts that must be set up and taken down and secured before and after class. This activity takes time that could be spent answering individual student questions during this busy time. It also infringes upon the time available to the next instructor to get ready to teach (10 minutes between classes). Many instructors opt out of using the cart for this reason. Counseling Department instructors have consulted with IT to insure implementation and maintenance of the proposed system is feasible and saves money in the long run.

Describe the resources needed:

\$15,000 is the amount needed for a complete remodel. This figure includes all of the typical smart classroom equipment (projector, VCR, PC, Elmo, etc.), instructor podium, network and control equipment. Some equipment has already been installed so that the final amount needed will need to be recalculated by IT.

What specific measurable program outcomes do you expect to achieve with this initiative? The outcomes should be specific enough to be measurable. Also, outline the method that will be used to determine the results.

The following core abilities will be addressed:

- Communicate more effectively with all students
- Improve effective and respectful listening
- Improve interpersonal, small group, and collaborative skills
- Expand understanding of educational, employment, and career opportunities
- Communicate more effectively among diverse populations
- Develop new ways of seeing and understanding the world; points of view, and multiple perspectives
- Increase understanding of the relationship between self and community, including self-awareness and personal responsibility

Department Priority:

Unit Resources:

Classroom space and security.

Funding Request: Carl Perkins

Funding Request: Curriculum Development

Funding Request: Technology Fee

1. Category of request

- **Maintain existing technology**
- **Increase student access to technology**
- **New technology**

Please type in the category of the request in the field below.

Increase student access to technology

2. Campus location

- **Main Campus**
- **Downtown Center**
- **Florence**
- **Cottage Grove**
- **CLC (list specific locations)**

Please type in the location of the request in the field below.

Main Campus

3. Names of the person(s) with more information (if needed):

Tim Blood

4a. Budget ORGN

515001

4b. Budget PROG

310000

5. How many students will benefit per year?

1,000

6. Describe the benefit?

This initiative would help build organizational capacity and systems to support student success and effective operations. It would also support a technological self-service environment while maintaining responsiveness to student needs. This initiative would allow more quality time for student/faculty interaction at the crucial times before and after class.

Construction already began in the summer of 2008. The project is incomplete therefore only IT knows the exact cost left to finish the project. 15000.00 is the maximum amount of dollars needed for the project. The IT department will know the cost for the balance cost of the project.

COMPUTER HARDWARE \$

COMPUTER SOFTWARE \$

STAFFING \$

INSTALLATION \$

15000.00

LICENSING \$

Can this initiative be partially funded?

No

COMPUTER HARDWARE \$

(CH) Explanation of effect of partial funding:

COMPUTER SOFTWARE \$

(CS) Explanation of effect of partial funding:

STAFFING \$

(S) Explanation of effect of partial funding:

INSTALLATION \$

(I) Explanation of effect of partial funding:

LICENSING \$

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