



Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) Annual Allocation Request

ALLOCATION REQUEST DATE INFORMATION

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ALLOCATION REQUEST TITLE/DESCRIPTION

Request Title: Replace library and learning commons computers

Request Description: A one-time request to replace a few older computers in the Library and Learning Commons

ALLOCATION REQUEST INFORMATION

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Type of Request: One Time

Department Head Approval: Department Head: Annie Downey

Annual Request Information

1. Background: Review and discuss the context of the proposed technology in detail. Explain how this proposal will be used in conjunction with an original proposal or existing technology. If applicable, how is the current technology disabled or inadequate?

Over the years, the STFC has funded 60 desktop computers spread across the Library and Teaching and Learning Center spaces. As of 2019 every STFC funded computer in the Library is out of warranty and most in the TLC were out of warranty in 2018 or before.

Last year we received funding to buy replacement computers but then the pandemic hit. Because there were no students on campus and because we figured that students would need laptops (based on checkouts from the previous quarter) we asked the STFC to allow us to buy laptops instead of desktops. The STFC allowed us to buy laptops and we did. Students used the laptops and still are checking out laptops. The good news is that we now have plenty of new laptops.

The bad news is that we still have a lot of older desktop computers which need to be replaced.

Last year we proposed a bit of a unique solution: purchase docking stations and place them in several locations in the Snoqualmie building and Tioga Library building. Students could then check out a laptop, take it to a docking station and use the dual monitors, along with a more comfortable keyboard and mouse. In this way, we could upgrade the existing infrastructure while also providing the type of long-term study platform that we know that Library users like.

However, we still have a problem with outdated and out of warranty machines across the Learning Commons complex. And this year I would like to address that problem by buying 7 desktops with dual monitors.

2. Benefit to Students: Discuss how students have benefited from the original proposal, if applicable. How will additional funding of the technology benefit students? If this was an unforeseen technology need, discuss how students will benefit from this new proposal and why the need cannot wait for annual allocation funding.

Desktop computers in the Library and TLC are very popular with students who want a quiet place to study for a long period of time. These computers are also strategically placed in areas where Reference Librarians and Writing Center and Quant staff (from the TLC) can provide assistance with research, writing, and tutoring.

The computers in the Learning Commons also deploy dual monitors because this is the most efficient way to study for long periods of time. Students can have study materials open on one monitor and writing materials on the other and simply switch back and forth between the two.

3. Access: Describe who will be using or will have access to the resources being proposed. If the access has changed since an original proposal, be sure to note that here. In addition, all previous requestors, please provide historic data highlighting the usage and accessibility of technology. All new requestors, please provide user need data.

Only UW Tacoma students will be able to use these computers.

4. Timeline: Provide a timeline showing how the proposed technology can be completed during the requested period. Describe when you would like to see this proposal initiated and completed, and why.

Units will be purchased as soon as funds are released and installed as soon as they are received.

5. Resources/Budget: Discuss available financial, personnel and space resources devoted to the proposed technology and level of support. Proposal must detail all the items/resources requested to be purchased. This includes filling out the Item Detail in next section.

The Library provides a full time Head of Library IT and one full time Sr. Computer Specialist. In addition, the Library provides 40 hours per week of IT student employment for support of all student technology in the Library, TLC, and CE&I.

The Library also pays for Labstats, which is statistical software that will give us data about which computers and which locations are most popular and help staff decide where to place computers.

Funding Request Items

Item	QTY	Cost Per Item	Shipping Fee	Tax Per Item	Subtotal
Optiplex 3090 SFF	7	\$950.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$7,450.00
Dell P2222H Monitor	14	\$250.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$3,945.00
OVERALL TOTAL:					\$11,395.00