



Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) Annual Allocation Request

ALLOCATION REQUEST DATE INFORMATION

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ALLOCATION REQUEST TITLE/DESCRIPTION

Request Title: Handshake platform

Request Description: Handshake is used to host on-campus jobs, internships, post-graduation jobs, career fairs, employer events, and workshops. This is a resource for all students so we are requesting STFC funding.

ALLOCATION REQUEST INFORMATION

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Title of Request: Handshake platform

Type of Request: One Time

Department Head Approval: Department Head: Amanda Figueroa

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?

Handshake is the online job and career event platform used here on campus. Both on-campus student jobs and off campus opportunities (jobs and internships) are posted through Handshake. This resource is a vital component in providing student access to jobs and internships.

2. Benefit to Students: Discuss how students have (for returning applicants) or will (for new applicants) benefit from this technology. How will additional funding of the technology benefit students?

Students benefit by having easy access to jobs and internships on a platform that is widely used by employers. Students also benefit from the document review feature being used by both the Career Development & Education office and the Milgard Success Center. Using this feature, all resumes and cover letters that are uploaded onto Handshake by students and alumni are reviewed with feedback being provided as appropriate. This allows us to help students be more competitive in the job market by having stronger application materials. Career-related programming (webinars, panels, information sessions) hosted by campus offices and employers are managed and promoted through Handshake; and career fairs are hosted through the Handshake platform. Students can also gain industry and employer information on Handshake through access to Employer profiles.

3. Access: Describe who will be using or will have access to the resources being proposed. In addition, all previous requestors, please provide historic data highlighting the usage and accessibility of technology. All new requestors, please provide user need data.

All students have access to Handshake. Once an incoming student has registered for classes, a Handshake account is created for them. Alumni also have access to Handshake as access is not taken away after graduation.

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.

Handshake is an ongoing resource with a renewed contract every 3-4 years.

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 total cost of Handshake is \$10,000 (plus tax) per year. The personnel cost of managing the platform are considerable. Career Development professional staff and student staff dedicate several hours each week to approving employers, jobs and application materials.

Funding Request Items

Item	QTY	Cost Per Item	Shipping Fee	Tax Per Item	Subtotal
Handshake platform	1	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,030.00	\$11,030.00
OVERALL TOTAL:					\$11,030.00