Student Technology Fee

Grant Proposal

2009-10

Tracy Brown

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Diana Hamilton

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Gary Gatch

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Mike McDonald/James Leonards

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Dale Martin

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Student Technology Fee
Grant Proposal Request Form
Fiscal Year 2009-010
Northwestern State University of Louisiana

ALL BLANKS MUST BE FILLED COMPLETELY

Prepared by: Catherine C. Faucheaux, LCSW & Dr. Mike Land  For: Office of Disability Support and Department of Biology

Department/Unit: ODS & Dept. of Biology College: University College & CoST Campus: Natchitoches

Which NSTEP Goals/Objectives does this project meet? # 1,2,3 & 7

Requested equipment will be located/installed/housed? Building Kyser (81) & Bienvenu (91) Room 229/235

Are department property policies and procedures in place for requested equipment? Yes

Which individual will be responsible for property control of the requested equipment?

Signature: [Signature] Date: 01/30/2009

Proposal Requested Amount: $25,150.48 Budgget Attached (circle one): YES/NO

Proposal delivered to Student Technology located in Watson Library, Room 113. Date ______

The proposal must include all specifications, description, model number, quotation, cost, state contract number, and vendor for each item. If the proposal does not include all requested information, it will be retuned to requestor.

1. Describe target audience.

The target audience is approximately 320+ students enrolled in the introductory Biology course and lab as well as Microbiology and Micro Lab. Of the above students, 10% of them have physical, visual and learning disabilities. There are students enrolled in these courses who are in wheelchairs and have limited access to the current technologies.

2. Describe project/initiative for which you are requesting funds.
To obtain lab equipment (microscopes, computer, & movable lab/work station) in order to bring the existing lab up to ADA standards making them equally accessible to all students. It will promote interactive learning and improve class participation. In the labs, students need to be "hands on" and manipulate equipment and that is very difficult for the students with disabilities. This equipment can and will be tied into a multimedia delivery system so that all students can benefit from the technology advancements.

3. State measurable objectives that will be used to determine the impact/effectiveness of the project.

Impact -1: Instructor presentations/lectures will include a technology component.
Impact -2: Improved class interactions and participation.
Impact -3: Insure the personal safety of the differently abled students while participating in experiments.
Effectiveness -4: 90% of all presentations/lectures will have visual demonstrations.
Effectiveness -5: Unlimited access to internet will promote animations in lesson planning.
Effectiveness -6: All students enrolled in labs will remain injury free.

4. Indicate how each project objective will be evaluated.

Objective 1 & 4 will be evaluated by the instructor of record and department head each semester. Objective 2 & 5 will be evaluated by the students each semester by the ability to have a "hands on" participation and experience through the increased visual support and mobility provided from the movable work station.
Objective 3 & 6 The Office of Disability Support and Biology Instructors will insure that all safety precautions are utilized and that no accidents will occur.

All Instructors will complete ongoing evaluations of the classroom/lab environment to determine if modifications are necessary and implement them accordingly.

5. If funded, which NSTEP [http://www.nsla.edu/nstep/NSTEP.pdf] objective(s) will this funding of this project advance. How will funding of the project advance the University and College/unit technology plan?

According to the NSTEP, this funding will meet the following objectives: 1, 2, 3 & 7. This funding will advance the University Technology plan by providing students with more updated technology and equipment in order to promote students success and provide excellence in education. It will also contribute to a welcoming and accessible learning environment for those with disabilities so that improved learning and it will insure quality education for all.

6. Provide a justification for funding of this project. Estimate the number of student that will be served per academic year and in what ways. Please indicate also any unique needs of the target group.

The contained learning unit will allow those permanently and temporarily disabled (ie: carwreck) to participate in Lab activities. Current facilities do no provide physical accessibility to perform labs requirements. Laboratory experiences are interactive and students with physical capabilities other than "usual" students become passive and do not gain the experiences they deserve or pay for. Thus it will minimize nonessential physical effort through providing options for the operation of equipment. Large print will assist with visual difficulties. It will provide for 300+
Biology students, including those with disabilities to gain a strong knowledge base and understanding of the concept being taught. In addition, the ancillary biology classes located in Bienvenu can have access to the equipment.

7. List those individuals who will be responsible for the implementation of the project/initiative and indicate their demonstrated abilities to accomplish the objectives of the project.

Catherine C. Faucheaux, LCSW, Coordinator of Disability Support  
Dr. Mike Land – Associate Professor of Microbiology  
Dr. Jon Akin – Associate Professor of Biology  
Millard Mangrum – Lab coordinator for undergraduate labs

8. Describe any personnel (technical or otherwise) required to support the project/initiative.

One technician to set up computer and multimedia delivery system and provide occasional support. Biology instructors will maintain microscopes, software and movable work/lab stations as well as oversee the day-to-day operations.

9. Provide a schedule for implementation and evaluation.

November – identify and order equipment.  
December/January – receive and set up equipment.  
** All Biology and ADA students will have immediate access because it will be implemented into the instruction and labs as soon as it is received. Evaluation will be collected and reviewed at the end of each semester.

10: Estimate the expected life of hardware and software. Explain any anticipated equipment/software upgrades during the next five years.

The estimated life expectancy of the computer is 5 years. Upgrades will be necessary as technology advances. The multimedia delivery system is at least 5 years. There is perpetual expectancy for the lab station and microscopes because of low wear and tear related to the policies and procedures for safekeeping.

11. Explain in detail a plan and policy that will be in place to ensure property security/controls for any equipment received through a Student Technology Fee.  
If you are requesting equipment that will be either/or checkout to students or moved within the department, you must provide a checkout/loan policy.

There will be no checkout of the equipment. If it is moved it is done under the supervision of the Biology instructors. All equipment is utilized and stored into classrooms which are locked daily and secured always due to the nature of the work.

12. Attach a detailed budget.

Please see attached budget and information.
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**Computer**

(2) 1 for each room for the station to plug into

**Electric Screen (2 x 1098.00)**

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**Computer – No Projectors**

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See Attached for specification of the above or equivalent
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Phone:

From: Scott Albarado (scotta@creativepres.com)

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2 Electric Screens * 1098.00ea

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Boreal Digital/Analog Zoom Stereomicroscope

Features:
- Camera: 1/2" CCD; 414,000 pixels (712 x 582); 30 frames/sec; 480 lines
- Full size: adjustable height, 12 1/2 - 17 1/4" with 9" L x 6 1/4" W base
- Inclined binocular head
- Paired 10X widefield eyepieces with diopter and interpupillary adjustment
- Zoom magnification 10 - 40X
- Coarse focus control with slip clutch
- Stage plate, 3" dia., with clips
- Built-in 10 W halogen for transmitted illumination and 15 W halogen for reflected illumination
- Three-way in-base illumination control to select reflected, light, transmitted light, or both

Digital 2000 Microscope, Binocular Head

Features:
- Camera: 1/2" CMOS; 2 million pixels (1600 x 1280); 30 frames/sec
- Full size: 15" H with 9" L x 7" W base
- Inclined binocular head
- Paired 10X widefield eyepieces, with diopter and interpupillary adjustments
- Revolving quad nosepiece with 4X, 10X, 40X, and 100X achromat super-contrast objectives
- Built-in mechanical stage, 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"
- Coaxial coarse and fine focus controls
- 1.25 N.A. Abbe condenser with iris diaphragm
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FX11812B Butane refill, 12/pk .... $100.00
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**Northwestern State University**

**Description**

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**Catalog Number:** 25 E1514

**Module**

Latitude E6400

Intel® Core™ 2 Duo P8800 (2.66GHz, 3M L2 Cache, 1066MHz FSB)

**Operating Systems**

Genuine Windows Vista® Home Basic SP1, No media

**Memory**

4.0GB, DDR2-800 SDRAM, 2 DIMMS

**Internal Keyboard**

Internal English Keyboard

**Graphics and Expansion Slot**

NVIDIA Quadro NVS 160M With Express Card

**Primary Storage**

80GB Hard Drive, 7200RPM with Free Fall Sensor

**Fingerprint Reader**

No Fingerprint Reader

**Laptops**

14.1" Widescreen WXGA (1280x800) LED Display - Brush Metal Black

**Bluetooth**

Dell Wireless® 370 Bluetooth Module

**Modem**

Internal Modem

**AC Adapter**

90W A/C Adapter (3-pin)

**Primary Optical Device**

8X DVD+/-RW w/Roxio and Cyberlink PowerDVD™

**Camera/Microphone**

Digital Microphone

**Wireless LAN (802.11)**

Dell Wireless™ 1510 802.11a/g/n Draft Mini Card

**Systems Management**

No Intel® vPro™ Secure Advanced Hardware Enabled Systems Management

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9 Cell Battery

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October 30, 2009

Ms. Jennifer Long Martin
Student Technology Office
Watson Library

Ms. Long,

I am writing in support of Dr. Michael Land’s Student Tech Fee grant proposal to purchase equipment that would enhance the quality of education of handicapped students at NSU. Our facilities in Bienvenu Hall and Kyser Hall currently have very poor accommodations for handicapped students. For example, none of the lecture halls have chairs/tables that can be used by wheelchair bound students, rather a poor and nonergonomic solution is often rigged out to provide the student with a writing surface. More importantly, lab facilities do not have sinks, workstations or equipment that can accommodate wheelchair bound or vision impaired students. I think it would be a great service to our students if this situation is remedied and I urge to give this application your most serious consideration.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Zafer Hatahet, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair
30 October 2009

Student Technology Fee

Grant Proposal Request Committee

Fiscal Year 2009-010

Northwestern State University of Louisiana

Dear Committee Members:

This letter is submitted in support of the Grant Proposal submitted by Dr. Mike Land and Mrs. Catherine Faucheaux. I am the parent of one of Northwestern State's disabled students. He is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Biology with aspirations of applying to Pharmacy School. As an upper classman, he is now in the midst of completing the more technical aspects of his coursework. While access to the necessary campus buildings is not precluded, there exist some barriers inside the classroom; particularly in terms of science laboratory access.

Access to the lab itself is available, but once inside, there are some limitations that this grant, if approved, would significantly address. The standard lab tables/benches are not of an appropriate wheelchair height and as such, requires that he "parallel park", if you will, along the edge. While such limited access does not affect his ability to hear the lecture or see any work presented by the professor on the chalkboard, once the instruction turns to more hands-on application of the material, he is very much limited.

With the purchase of mobile lab stations, he would be able to have a work space that would allow his more direct participation. Thus far, he is restricted to observation of tablemates' accomplishment of the experimental procedures. In keeping with course requirements, he is responsible for the steps completed and the results they garner, but cannot be an active participant in gleaning those results. These proposed mobile stations would provide a similar workplace as those of other students. The ability to independently accomplish experiments and interpret the resulting information would greatly enhance his ability to master the skills and information presented in upper level lab classes.

While this letter addresses the particular challenges of the one student for which I have personal knowledge, I am keenly aware that he would not be the only student to benefit from such equipment. Other differently-abled students currently attend Northwestern and the potential for others to follow most definitely exists. Additionally, any student may find themselves in a temporary condition that would allow them to take advantage of such equipment as well.

Whether the result of a temporary condition or something more permanent, the availability of adaptive equipment serves to allow a particular group of students the ability to compete on a more level playing
field with their contemporaries. Disabilities present a unique set of challenges that can be difficult to appreciate unless you experience them first hand, or as I do, from a short distance away. It is my experience that these students want *nothing* given to them, but rather only the opportunity to create and submit their own work in a manner more in keeping with their unique abilities.

It is my hope that this proposal is considered favorably and that the current and future students of Northwestern can look forward to the availability of this equipment and the opportunities it will provide. If there is any further information I might provide or questions I can answer, I would welcome such an opportunity.

Sincerely,

Laura Iles
Date: October 30, 2009

To: Jennifer Long-Martin &
Student Technology Committee

From: Sue W. Weaver, Dean
University College

Re: Joint Venture Grant to Assist Students with Disabilities

I am writing in support of the joint venture proposal submitted by Ms. Catherine Faucheaux and Dr. Mike Land. Ms. Faucheaux, NSU’s Coordinator of Disability Support, and Dr. Land, an Associate Professor of Biology, teamed together to write for technology that will help students with disabilities in their respective laboratory settings.

The funding provided by this grant will also be used to enhance the learning process for all students enrolled in these respective Biology labs, but most especially, students with disabilities. More than 300 students per academic year are enrolled in the introductory Biology class (1010) and lab (1011), along with Microbiology (2060) and lab (2061).

If I can provide additional information, please do not hesitate to call me.