

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Student Technology Fee Funding Request

Proposal

Beginning 2005-2006

Title: Installation of Additional Audiovisual Classrooms

Unit Submitting Proposal: Information Technology Division

Briefly summarize the proposed project.

This proposal seeks to continue in a very modest way the installation of advanced audiovisual technology in UTC classrooms. While over 100 classrooms at UTC have been equipped with “Lupton Podium” audiovisual systems funded primarily by the Lupton Renaissance Fund, a need for additional systems still exists. We seek funding to equip three classrooms with podiums that will include a projector, computer, document camera and VCR during the 2005-06 year.

Identify the project goals and objectives. Briefly describe your goals and objectives. Include in the description how the outcomes of the project will improve teaching and learning. Indicate also the anticipated reach of your project. In other words, how many and what type of students will benefit from the successful execution of the proposed funding? How will they benefit?

The project’s primary goal is to enhance teaching and learning at UTC by making the use of technology convenient and productive in the classroom:

- Provide permanent, reliable computer, video, and document projection in the classroom so that faculty and students do not need to deliver, setup, or configure devices to make a presentation.
- Maintain a standard set of equipment and controls so that presenters do not have to learn a different system for each room.
- Reduce the need for portable equipment delivery and pickup by Media Resources.

Describe the method with which you will achieve your goals. Briefly describe your methodology. Include a calendar of target project dates. That is, when will the major steps in the project begin and end?

This proposal assumes that at least one position for continued maintenance and support of the existing Lupton podiums is funded for the 2005-06 year. We will use the expertise of that individual to install the new systems. If at least one position is not funded here at UTC, we will have to make use of consultants from Knoxville at increased cost and may be able to complete only two instead of three systems.

A prioritized list of requests for additional podium systems was developed this year by the Walker Teaching Resource Center. We will give Deans and Department Heads an opportunity to review that list and determine any new priorities for installations. It will take approximately two months to bid and order the necessary equipment before the installations can begin, but we anticipate all would be complete by the end of the fall semester.

How will you evaluate the success of the project? Describe your evaluation criteria clearly. How will you determine whether the project is successful?

- Podium systems will be installed and fully operational by the end of the fall semester.
- Records of use will be kept and evaluated as part of the regular maintenance of the equipment.
- Faculty comments and evaluations will be collected and used to help refine our equipment choices and support options.

Previous grant(s): If you received a Student Technology Fee grant last year, have you submitted your final report?

Not applicable.

Proposed location: Describe the proposed location of the equipment, software, etc.

The related support position will be housed with Media Resources.

Requested Budget: Clearly identify one-time costs, such as equipment, shipping, and installation. Clearly identify recurring costs, such as maintenance and support, and the source of the funds to cover the recurring costs.

The cost of a single system including computer, projector, document camera, VCR, podium, amplifiers, switchers, cables, etc. and the labor to install is \$18,000. We estimate the annual cost to maintain a podium system over the first seven years of its life is \$1,000/year per system.

Summary of projected costs:

Salaries (if any)	n/a	(personnel are being requested separately)
Equipment (hardware and software)	\$54,000	(three systems)
Complete the following items as appropriate		
Installation	n/a	
Construction/renovation costs	n/a	
Annual maintenance/support costs	n/a	
Training	n/a	
Recurring costs per year	\$3,000	
Total project one-time costs	\$54,000	
Estimated recurring costs per year	\$3,000	

Identify the area(s) responsible for operating and maintaining the equipment.

Media Resources.

Approval by Dean or Vice Chancellor:_____

Individual responsible to complete proposal if funded: Rodger Ling

Priority established by Dean or Vice Chancellor:_____

Deans and Vice Chancellors should return completed forms (along with 20 copies) to Provost John Friedl, Chair of the University Technology Committee, prior to **December 13, 2004.**