

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Student Technology Fee Funding Request

**Proposal**

*Beginning 2005-2006*

**Title:**\_\_\_\_Housing Computer Lab Equipment and Staffing Upgrade\_\_\_\_\_

Unit Submitting Proposal:\_\_\_\_\_Housing\_\_\_\_\_

**Briefly summarize the proposed project.**

To supply Housing complexes with new computers, printers, paper and ink cartridges/toner and a graduate assistant to support the computer labs.

By providing this equipment the University would improve its overall delivery of the ever increasing need for technology services, and therefore improve retention.

**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?

1. To provide up to date computer labs in housing complexes in order to better recruit and retain students to housing and UTC.
2. To ensure a stronger tie between academics and housing through contribution to the University's learning environment.
3. To provide a safe computer lab for students (both resident and non-resident) in close proximity to their residence.

Students would also benefit through not only the retention of students to UTC, but retention of housing residents. Improved retention will provide greater flexibility for future services and to keep cost of housing at minimum.

This proposal would support 2 of the 6 UTC Initiatives: "Claiming the Assets of Technology" and "Enhancing the Learning Environment"

We anticipate that this project would reach approximately 1200 students that live in Boling, Village and Lockmiller Apartments + serve as an option for a group meeting location for student groups that live both on and off campus, which is supportive of academics.

The Housing Department will be implementing a Freshmen Residency Requirement effective Fall 2005. We anticipate this increasing occupancy within all of housing , therefore, requiring greater overall service.

Students will benefit by having more options of available computer labs. They will also benefit by receiving better service in housing computer labs with better equipment and a dedicated It will enhance the living learning community that already exists.

**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?

Order Computers on July 1, 2005

Install Computer on July 31, 2005

Open Computer lab for student use on August 18, 2005

Close computer labs at the end of Spring 2006. At this time, we would complete necessary maintenance on computers in order to prepare for the 2006 -2007 school year.

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

We will consider the project successful if each computer lab has an average of 15 users per day.

We will monitor by requiring all computers in the labs to be logged into with a UTCID and password to assure that only UTC Students and / or residents of UTC Housing will have access to the computer lab.

We will track users either electronically or manually the number of users and length of time the computer lab is used by each student/resident.

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

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

The offices of Boling, Village and Lockmiller Apartments each have designated space for 4 computers in each complex.

**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 below are for original equipment or 12 computers and 3 printers. There will be additional cost for a graduate assistant to support the 3 computer labs. The final cost are recurring cost for paper and ink cartridges/toner. There will also be an additional expense for installing 3 network jacks in the Boling Office.

Computer Specifications: Dell OptiPlex GX280 – See Attached – Actual Price on 12/10/2004 - \$1051.24 (\$1100 used for budget estimates)

Printer Specifications: Dell 1700 – See Attached - Actual Price on 12/10/2004 - \$367.08 (\$400 used for budget estimates)

**Summary of projected costs**

Salaries (if any)	\$8250 (1 Graduate Assistant)
Equipment (hardware and software)	\$14,000 (12 Computers, 3 Printers)

Complete the following items as appropriate

Installation	\$750
Construction/renovation costs	\$0
Annual maintenance/support costs	\$0
Training	\$0
Recurring costs per year	\$2000 (Paper, Ink Cartridges/Toner)

<b>Total</b> project one-time costs	\$25,000
<b>Estimated</b> recurring costs per year	\$2000

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

**Approval** by Dean or Vice Chancellor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Individual** responsible to complete proposal if funded: \_\_\_\_\_

**Priority** established by Dean or Vice Chancellor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deans and Vice Chancellors should return** completed forms (along with 25 copies) to Provost John Friedl, Chair of the University Technology Committee, prior to **December 13, 2004.**