

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE

STEP Committee

Technology Fee Application

HLG 315 SMART Transformation

Title

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Name of Submitter
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College of Liberal Arts

Organization

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ABSTRACT (250 words or less):

H. L. Griffin Hall (HLG) is home to the College of Liberal Arts which houses several required General Education courses required for all UL Students. HLG 315 is known as and designed for a Faculty Lounge. Presently it is used for student organizations meetings and functions, faculty and graduate student meetings and seminars, and by classes requiring a large, reconfigurable space. Although HLG 315 is used more and more for academic and training purposes, it is still underutilized due to the fact HLG 315 does not have any technological capabilities. By SMART-equipping HLG 315 as a multi-purpose room in Griffin Hall, it will provide a much more effective use of space and the ability to expand and explore the availability of 315 to a new variety of possible academic and instructional purposes.

PROPOSAL:

H. L. Griffin Hall (HLG) 315 (AKA “Faculty Lounge”) is a large multi-purpose room with six large round tables with accompanying chairs and also some other furniture along the perimeter of the space. Early on, HLG 315 was used as a place where faculty could bring their lunch or coffee to sit and chat between classes. In later years, academic departments housed in Griffin Hall—English, Modern Languages, and History, Philosophy, and Geography have begun to utilize HLG 315 for special meetings, class presentations, seminars and other Departmental gatherings. Student organizations, such as the English Graduate Student Association (EGSA) and Sigma Tau Delta have reserved the room for meetings and presentations and faculty reserve the room for special end-of-the-semester projects, presentations and in-class activities. Currently, HLG 315 lacks any computer or multi-media technology severely limiting the usefulness of the room. When technology is required, it must be trucked in (if available) from one of the Departments located on another floor. This proposal is to provide for the outfitting of HLG 315 as a large fully SMART-equipped room with multiple speakers, a SMART podium, large projection screen, whiteboard, Webcam, and microphone as well as a Wi-Fi Access point. The use of the room by the College of Liberal Arts faculty, students, organizations and departments could greatly expand with the addition of this equipment. Some of the possible new uses would include distance learning presentations and instruction, collaborative panels by both faculty and/or students involving other colleges and universities via streaming video, and special symposia broadcast on the Internet. Finally, the technology could allow for interviewing new faculty and graduate student candidates via video conferences by search committees when a face-to-face interview is not possible.

The equipment would have a life cycle of 5 years, and would fall under STEP Sustainability which will provide for future maintenance and upgrades to the equipment.

Person(s) responsible for:

- 1. Implementation:** STEP, Information Media Networks (IMN), Outside Vendor, and Allen Latour
- 2. Installation:** STEP, Information Media Networks (IMN), Outside Vendor, and Allen Latour
- 3. Maintenance:** STEP
- 4. Operation:** College of Liberal Arts Faculty, Staff, and Students
- 5. Training (with qualifications):** Allen Latour

Budget Proposal

1.	Equipment	\$42,000 – Full Large Digital SMART Classroom \$4,000 - Digital Camera and Microphone \$1,000 – Gigabit Data Drop and Wireless Access Point \$2,000 – White Boards
2.	Software	\$
3.	Supplies	\$
4.	Maintenance	\$
5.	Personnel	\$
6.	Other	\$
TOTAL:		\$49,000

Previous STEP Awards

Allen Latour:

Fall 2016: Burke-Hawthorne Hall 250 Classroom PC Computer and Printer Replacement, SPSS Software Renewal, & Vision Pro Software Installation

Fall 2016: V. L. Wharton Hall 213 Classroom PC Computer Replacement

Fall 2016: Two SMART Classrooms For the Dept. of English

Fall 2016: MODL TEC Classrooms

Spring 2016: Communication Department Mac Lab Update

Spring 2016: History, Geography and Philosophy TEC Classrooms

Fall 2015: Completion of SMART Classroom Technology in Burke Hawthorn Hall

Spring 2015: New PSYC Instructional, Testing, & Experimental Lab Upgrade

Fall 2014: H.L. Griffin 307 Computer Classroom PC Replacement

Fall 2014: PSYC Instructional, Testing, and Experimental Lab

Spring 2013: FGM 101 Interactive Classroom Enhancement