

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS
FSU VALENCIA
2016-2017 TECHNOLOGY FEE PROPOSAL PROJECT

SMARTBOARD & DIGITAL BULLETIN BOARD

PROJECT DESCRIPTION & IMPACT ON INSTRUCTION:

Smartboard:

We'd like to set up a smartboard for one of our classrooms in the Garnet study center.

Impact of this project on instruction: the smartboards allow many different forms of media – including photos, illustrations, maps, graphs, games, and video, to be displayed. These tools not only enrich the classroom experience but also help to expand the nature of content that can be used in learning. In addition, smartboard makes learning to be more dynamic owing to the different forms of presenting information.

We think that it will offer students an opportunity to share and participate in the instructional process. Interactivity provides a platform for students to demonstrate their grasp of the subject through touching, drawing, and writing.

Overall, incorporating a smartboard to the classroom environment is likely to change the way teachers impart knowledge to students and at the same time simplify the learning process for students. Students will find it easy to engage with lessons and gain a better understanding of the overall lesson.

Digital Bulletin Board:

It consists of a large screen of around 55 inches with a communication computer module connected to it and to our network. It would be installed in an access to the classrooms area and it could be accessed remotely to change the screen and the processes shown in that screen. This would be for our Garnet study center.

Impact of this project on instruction: All our courses (between 30 and 35 per semester or Summer session / over 120 per year) would be impacted by this system, and the amount of students is all of those in the semesters and Summer sessions of the Valencia study abroad program, ranging between 600 and 750 per year.

Explanation about the enhancement as a result of this project: We have a very strong need of communication with the students due to the fact that our teaching during a study abroad uses the city (thus the international experience) as the classroom. We also need a good and clear communication with the students and faculty due to the

enormous amounts of activities, safety procedures, and many other messages that are related with the scheduling and logistics of each and all of the courses. This affects in different ways but it is a necessary information for the class participants. While we use other sources of communication, it has proven that the fact of being outside of the comfort zone or to be more specific outside of the country (USA) where most (almost all) of the students and faculty have their data plans for their cell phones and tablets, makes it necessary to have a very direct and close to their life and walking access to the classrooms system of letting them know what is going on related to their classroom, class, laboratory, class activity, meeting points and other relevant information. We use a regular bulletin board but the students and faculty would obviously benefit enormously by this updated system.

PROJECT PLAN:

1. April 2017: Notification of Award
2. April 2017: Purchase of equipment (smartboard and digital bulletin board)
3. May 2017: Installation and configuration of equipment

COST OF ONGOING SUPPORT:

The IT Administrator already provide ongoing support and maintenance of purchased items. He will complete the installation and carry out the necessary faculty members training.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT TEAM:

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BUDGET:

See below.

Student Technology Fee Budget Template for 2016-2017 Project Funding Proposal								
Project Title:		SMARTBOARD & DIGITAL BULLETIN BOARD						
Organization or College:		FSU VALENCIA STUDY CENTER						
Department or Unit:								
Project Period		Start Date: April 2017			End Date: May 2017			
I. Senior/Key Personnel								
List senior and / or key personnel whose compensation will be funded through project non-recurring funds								
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Project Role	Requested Salary	Fringe Benefits	Funds Requested	
A.								
B.								
C.								
D.								
Total Funds Requested for Senior/Key Personnel							\$ -	
II. Student & Other Personnel								
					Requested Salary	Fringe Benefits	FTE	Funds Requested
	Graduate Students							
	Undergraduate Students							
	Other Personnel							
Total Funds Requested for Students & Other Personnel							\$ -	
Total Salaries, Wages & Benefits							\$ -	
III. Equipment								
List items and dollar amounts for each item, including software, (or multiple items of the same type with a total cost of) over \$2,000 - add lines as needed								
	Item Description						Funds Requested	
A.	SMARTBOARD + INSTALLATION						\$ 3,410,44	
B.	DIGITAL BULLETIN BOARD + INSTALLATION						\$ 1,680,80	
C.								
D.								
Total for items over \$2,000							\$ 5,091,24	
Total for Additional items (less that \$2,000 each)								
Total Equipment Costs							\$ 5,091,24	
IV. Other Costs								
							Funds Requested	
	Materials & Supplies							
	Consultant Services							
	Equipment or Facility Rental/Use Fees							
	Additional Project Costs (describe in budget justification)							
Total for Others Costs							\$ -	
Total Project Cost							\$ 5,091,24	