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Student Technology Fee Grant Proposal Request Form Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Northwestern State University of Louisiana

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Prepared by: Robert Richoux

For: Robert Richoux

Department/Unit: Theatre & Dance College: Creative & Performing Arts Campus: Natchitoches

Which NSTEP Goals/Objectives does this project meet? Objectives 1,2,3,8 & 9

Requested equipment will be located/installed/housed? Building 25 Room 128

Does the department requesting funding receive lab fees? YES

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

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

Signature:

Date: 11/4/22

Proposal Requested Amount: \$3500 Budget Attached: YES

Proposal delivered to Student Technology located in Watson Library, Room 113 Date: <u>11/11/22</u>

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 returned.

1. Describe target audience.

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-Theatre & Dance Majors and Minors are the primary target audience, especially those earning a BFA in Production and Design. Students use this computer lab for classes, shows and professional development. (Approximately 120 students)

-Secondary target audience would be student groups, organizations and the entire NSU student community that participate in seeing our shows.

- BFA in Dance, BS in Theatre with concentrations in performance and directing and musical theatre (75)

Student Theatre Organization (50)

Athletes taking summer theatre (50)

- Any students who reserve the space through EMS for numerous school functions

- Lady of the Bracelet
- Fraternities and Sororities
- Space used for recruitment
- Thespian Workshop
- Summer Camps such as Band Camp, Theatre Camp & Dance Camp
- Community Outreach
- Guest Artists
- Students in the audience

- The new plotter will be used in the following classes:

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2. Describe project/initiative for which you are requesting funds.

To upgrade, update and enhance the quality of the technology in our computer lab to further benefit the growth of the students. To offer new technology capabilities in multimedia to use for performance, training, education, promotion, and marketing material as well as the possibility of new courses in the school of creative and performing arts.

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

1. Improve the Theatre and Dance curriculum, and the technology available to them.

2. Bolster our recruiting prospects by having specific technology that is being used and innovated in the professional field.

3. Improve our students' education, broaden their production experience, and make our students more competitive in the job market.

4. Indicate how each project objective will be evaluated.

The objectives listed above will be evaluated in these ways:

- By the equipment's use in the classroom.
- Students utilizing the plotter for classes, meetings, and other school related functions.
- By the quality of multimedia work present in their design packages.
- Professional level marketing material used for portfolios for future work in the industry.

- By the quality of professional drafting, light plot, sound plots, and paper props produced for show, classes, and meetings.

- By the number of prospective students interested in the technology being used in conjunction with dance and theatre.

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

Objective 1. Improve access to technology by students, faculty, and staff at Northwestern State University – This equipment will give students, faculty and staff access to current and new technology.

Objective 2. Provide classrooms with updated technology and multimedia – This technology and equipment will be used for 30 courses, rehearsals, majors & minors looking to create design elements to enhance their professional portfolio, the department as whole to create professional quality promotional posters.

Objective 3. To upgrade laboratories with modern technology. This will improve the copying, scanning and print technology in our computer lab.

Objective 8. To encourage innovation and research – Students will be given the opportunity to create better design paperwork as well as learning to create images that can be turned into other media. An example would be printing an image to scale and cutting it out in wood.

Objective 9. To maintain support of hardware and software upgrades, new hardware and software for specialized functions, and training technical support personnel – The new equipment will offer fresh opportunities for students to create endless possibilities of artistic work through many different mediums.

An upgrade in plotter will allow our students to continue to improve in different areas of our industry. This will allow the students to have a better understanding of how to use a plotter in a more professional setting.

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

This plotter will replace an older model that is over a decade old and not capable of keeping up with the demand of our classes and shows. This plotter will also replace a blueprint machine that is incredibly toxic because it uses ammonium to process the blueprint. No one in our industry uses a blueprint machine. We will serve 150 major and minors in theatre and dance, as well as the entire student body and community that come to see our shows.

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.

Robert Richoux-Director of Production and Design- will maintain the plotter and supplies as well as lead other faculty in implementing it into their classes. Will promote the use of the plotter in all classes and productions.

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

Andrew Killion- will be responsible for implementing this plotter into all lighting and sound classes as well as all lighting and sound needs for each production and outside event.

Pedro Guevara- will be responsible for implementing this plotter into all scenic design and painting classes as well as scenic design, scenic painting, production and outside events.

All faculty members hold terminal degrees in Dance and Theatre which certifies their competency.

No additional personnel are needed for this project.

9. Provide a schedule for implementation and evaluation.

January 2023 – Order Equipment

February 2023 – Install Equipment and is ready for use in all classes & rehearsals Evaluation:

- Students using the new equipment for classes will be observed through their course work throughout the semester

- Students using the equipment for any productions will be assisted and monitored

- Students using the equipment to update their portfolios will be guided and mentored during the process.

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

The plotter has a life span of ten or more years. Depends on the manufacturer's abilities to produce supplies and parts. No other upgrades are required except for the replacement of supplies like ink and paper that are consumed during printing.

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.

This plotter will be locked in our computer lab/ classroom. Access will be available when the lab is open.

12. Does the department that is requesting equipment receive lab fees? If so, please provide a justification for requesting funds from tech fee funds over using lab fees from your department.

The Theatre and Dance Department receives lab fees, but they are used for supplies for classes, paint, and other resources needed for our diverse classes. There is not enough money in fees to cover the equipment being requested in this grant application.

13. Attach a detailed budget.

Items for purchase with grant money	Description	Cost
HP DesignJet T830 Large Format Multifunction Wireless Plotter Printer - 24"	Large format Print, Scanner, Copier	\$3000
Shipping & Handling		\$500
	Total	\$3500

14. Attach two (2) letters of support for the project from the following individuals: the requesting department's Dean, the appropriate Vice President or for student request, the SGA President from the requesting campus.

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Office of The Provost

To:	Student Tech Fee Committee
From:	Dr. Greg Handel, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs
Re:	Theatre and Dance Student Technology and Fee Grant
Date:	November 2, 2022

I am submitting this letter as evidence of my support of the Department of Theater and Dance in the Dear School of Creative and Performing Arts at Northwestern to purchase a new Multifunction Printer/Scanner/Copier for the department. This plotter will be used for a wide range of classes, shows and events. Currently, the Department is experiencing problems with an older plotter including memory problems, and inability to scan or copy. Likewise, because it is an older piece of equipment, ink is getting more difficult to find. Presently, our students make copies using an old blueprint machine (an antiquated machine) which uses ammonia, leaves a powerful odor, and provides health and safety risks as individuals are not able to stay in the room while the copy is being made. The industry frequently uses multifunction plotters, making it particularly crucial that our students learn this type of technology fort ultimate preparation for work upon graduation.

At some point, every student at NSU, and many visitors from our surrounding communities, will have participated in or attended some sort of event produced by our Theatre and Dance department, whether in a show, through NSU Christmas GALA, Greek Life, Freshman Connection, First Year Experience or N-Side View, or any other various events held in our facilities. We are trying to update our equipment so that every event can have access to modern technology to make their time at NSU better.

As Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, I offer my full support of this application. a I remain very grateful for the Student Technology Fee Grants for their continued support of our educational programs here at NSU.

Sincerely,

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Greg Handel Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs Dean of the Graduate School Professor of Music Education

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NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

November 10, 2022

Dear Student Technology Grant Committee:

I am writing this letter in support of Mr. Robert Richoux's proposal to acquire a new Multifunction Printer/Scanner/Copier for the Department of Theatre and Dance. The requested equipment would be utilized by students enrolled and/or participating in a wide range of classes in the Department as well as those taking part in various CAPA shows and events. The addition of this equipment will allow students not only to print new "blueprint" plans but also to copy and scan old plans which will expand the records of the Department and allow us to begin creating a library of student/departmental work. This equipment will allow our students to work with modern machinery that is currently used in their industry. These machines will be used by students both in the classroom and in the creation of technical theatre pieces used in Creative and Performing Arts productions.

The Department of Theatre Dance does currently collect lab fees for some courses, but those fees are dedicated to their student computer lab. This means that this proposal is necessary for the modernization of equipment in non-computer laboratories/shops.

Mr. Richoux has my full support in the submission of this grant proposal. I trust that you will give him every consideration as he works diligently to improve the student experience in the Department of Theater and Dance. This improved experience can impact all who attend productions of the School of Creative and Performing Arts. If you have any questions regarding my recommendation or support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Francene J. Lemoine, Ph.D. Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Professor of Biology Northwestern State University of Louisiana Natchitoches, LA 71497 Phone (318)357-5805 Fax (318)357-4255 Email <u>lemoinef@nsula.edu</u>

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