Unit Plan: Equipment Requests [Acct. Category 6000]

Unit: History
Division or Area to Which You Report: Social Sciences
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Audience: Budget, Deans
Purpose: To be read and responded to by Budget Committee.
Instructions: Please fill in the following as needed. Text boxes below will expand as you type.
Please note: this form is for equipment whose unit cost is over $200

Brief Title of Request (Project Name): Enhanced Classroom accessibility and use

Building/Location: Building 500, Villas, and Instructional Office Building

Request Amount (include unit cost, total cost, tax, and shipping): Unit cost, $1099; total cost: $6594. This cost is estimated if Macintosh products are selected. Other units from Dell or similar PC provider would cost less. Final choice will have to be coordinated with IT as final protocol for Technology Enhanced classrooms is completed by the Facilities Committee.

Description of the specific equipment or materials requested:

6 Macbook laptop computers.

What educational programs or institutional purposes does this equipment support?

These items will allow History faculty to integrate online courses and use technology enhanced classrooms more effectively and efficiently. Standard software and portability provide needed flexibility as the faculty use technology and distance education to serve the student body and deliver excellent classes.

Briefly describe how your request relates specifically to the Educational Master Plan and the Goals and objectives Section of your Unit Plan (Part II, Section 2)?

This equipment relates to the college's plan to expand online offerings, and provide more off-site course offerings. The commitment made to provide enhanced technology in each classroom through bond construction also delivers on the plan to utilize up to date instructional techniques and student assessment that will support increased enrollment and student success. The history discipline's commitment to researching how best to address the basic skills needs of our students, and to integrate these finding with other disciplines would be greatly helped by a more powerful, portable and standardized means for the history instructors to share and store information.