



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2646

1. Title of Project: Classroom Technology/Distance Learning Upgrade

2. Senate Sponsor: Bill Montford

3. Date of Submission: 03/01/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

The Smart Classroom upgrades will provide instructors and students the opportunity to access useful resources that will potentially recognize and strengthen the cultural experience in the classroom.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Board of Governors

State Agency Contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	10,671,100
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	10,671,100

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	10,671,100	100.0%
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	10,671,100	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Smart Classroom Improvements included a Sony Z10 Laser	10,671,100



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	Projector, Ceiling Mounted Hardware, Crestron DMPS300, as well as Crestron Programming Changes, etc.	
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		10,671,100

11. Program Performance:

a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

Information Technology Services continues its commitment to enhancing campus classrooms with technologies that support teaching and learning environments. Last semester, the general classrooms had a technology upgrade to support the new dynamic teaching approaches of our faculty. This project attempts to address improvements to the University’s major smart classrooms, as well as distance learning initiatives to increase student performance, graduation rates and retention.

b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Smart Classrooms are being installed because this amazing technology not only enhances the way teachers teach, but it also enhances the way students learn. It can provide students with an enriched learning experience by projecting visual elements.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

It makes differentiated learning much easier, because teachers are able to accommodate different learning styles. Visual learners are able to observe the whiteboard, while tactile learners can learn by touching the board.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

The target population will include our 10,000 plus student body.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The Smart Classroom Upgrades provides teachers and students an opportunity to access useful resources that will potentially recognise and strengthen the experience in the classroom. Smart classroom is a typical environment for smart learning, and it is the high end form of digital classroom. Technology provides numerous tools that teachers can use in and out of the classroom to enhance student learning and enrich student experience.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard



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penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Possible loss of funding

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

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 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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