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STUDENT TECHNOLOGY

GRANT PROPOSALS

2013 - 2014

TRACY BROWN: ACCEPTED  \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:  
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SIGNATURE: Tracy Brown DATE: 3/11/14

HEATH FITTS: ACCEPTED  \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:  
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SIGNATURE: Heath Fitts DATE: 3/7/2014

SHAWN PARR: ACCEPTED  \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:  
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SIGNATURE: Shawn Parr DATE: 3/19/14

CHRIS PARISH: ACCEPTED  \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:  
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SIGNATURE: Chris Parish DATE: 3/10/14

BRANDON CRAIG: ACCEPTED  \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:  
N/A

SIGNATURE: Brandon Craig DATE: 3/10/14

RON WRIGHT: ACCEPTED  \_\_\_\_\_ OPPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS:  
Should be high priority - we should have a goal of ubiquitous access in all student spaces.

SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: 3.13.14

Student Technology Fee  
Grant Proposal Request Form  
Fiscal Year 2013-14  
Northwestern State University of Louisiana

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**ALL BLANKS MUST BE FILLED COMPLETELY**

Prepared by: Patric DuBois

For: NSU WRAC

Department/Unit: WRAC

College: External Affairs

Campus: Natchitoches

Which NSTEP Goals/Objectives does this project meet? Goals 1-4; Objectives 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

Requested equipment will be located/installed/housed? Building WRAC Room Various

Does the department requesting funding receive lab fees? (circle one) NO

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

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

Signature: Patric DuBois Date: February 20, 2014

Proposal Requested Amount: \$ \$8,436.00

Budget Attached (circle one):  YES

Proposal delivered to Student Technology located in Watson Library, Room 113. Date: 2/20/14

**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.

NSU Students

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

We want to provide wireless capabilities for our students in the WRAC facility. This grant will provide the access points and mounts hardware. The WRAC will be matching funds by providing the wiring needed for this project. This facility is utilized by 500+ students per day and we are asked to provide wireless technology on a consistent basis. There are many areas in this facility that students are able to study or make use of their computers. Many online programs are available in the health and fitness field that students can access and utilize as their workout via the internet while here at the WRAC. These programs enhance all workouts through educational information and videos of proper technique needed to perform exercises.

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

Student usage of areas in which this technology would be utilized throughout the WRAC.

4. Indicate how each project objective will be evaluated.

Student usage count on a daily basis, facility/program feedback forms, and general feedback from students, instructors, and WRAC workers.

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

Objectives 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. This equipment will provide wireless technology to a facility on campus that is widely utilized and very popular with our students. Again, this technology is constantly requested by our students which will give them a variety of options in our facility.

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

Based on the WRAC average daily use of 500+ students, this technology would provide 150,000 possible student uses throughout the year. The students can use this technology in a variety of ways from academic in nature to the health and fitness knowledge gained through the internet while working out or preparing a specific workout. With the constant gains in technology, the uses for student health and fitness are never ending.

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.

Mrs. Jennifer Martin, Director of Student Technology has several years of experience in implementing student technology initiatives. Tracy Brown, Associate Director of Technical Services for IT has several years of experience providing support in these initiatives. Mr. Patric DuBois, WRAC Director has been involved in all WRAC operations since opening in 2005.

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

The vendor(s) hired to install/implement equipment will provide all work, set-up, training, and warranties. The Associate Director of IT, WRAC Director and Assistant Director of WRAC Facilities will have training to trouble shoot basics after implementation.

9. Provide a schedule for implementation and evaluation.

Implementation will be based on the vendor(s) providing services and equipment ordered, arriving at the WRAC site. Evaluation will begin immediately upon equipment being utilized.

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

There are no expected upgrades in the next five years. If any are needed, we will be on the same schedule as the rest of the university in terms of IT upgrades to the University wireless system. This will be done by the IT department.

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.

All security and controls will be maintained by the WRAC Facility with any help or consulting by the IT Department.

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.  
We do not receive any lab fees.

13. Attach a detailed budget.

Attached

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.

Attached

## WRAC Wireless Budget

Part Number	Description Network	Qty	Unit Price	Total
Cisco Aironet 3702I	802.11ac 450 Mbps Wireless Access Point	8	\$867.10	\$6,936.80
	Locking Ceiling Mount for Cisco AP	4	\$250.00	\$1,000.00
	Non-Metallic Surface Mount Lock Box for Wireless APs	4	\$125.00	\$500.00
			<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$8,436.80</b>



**NORTHWESTERN STATE**  
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February 18, 2014

Dear Mrs. Martin:

I would like to recommend that the Student Technology Fee Grant committee approve the grant proposal provided by the NSU WRAC.

The WRAC is an integral part of our campus community and is highly utilized by our student population. The staff of this facility has done an excellent job in providing a quality facility, equipment, and programming to enhance the lives of our students. We believe that providing such high quality equipment will help promote a healthy lifestyle among our current students and enhance our recruitment efforts for future students.

If I may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at [pierce@nsula.edu](mailto:pierce@nsula.edu) or 318-357-6588. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jerry Pierce  
Vice President for External Affairs



February 19, 2014

Dear Student Technology Fee Grant Committee:

I would like to highly recommend that the Student Technology Fee Grant committee approve the grant proposal provided by the NSU WRAC.

The WRAC plays a major part in the lives of all of our students. We provide a clean, safe, and healthy environment for our students. We are always trying to enhance the student experience through purchases and upgrades in our equipment and programming. We run many programs through our facility in the areas of wellness. The specific grant we have written will improve the ability of our facility and programming to provide our students with more options to help them improve their fitness and become more aware of the importance of a healthy lifestyle. We have had many students over the years request wireless capabilities in this facility as it will enhance many parts of their daily lives. In a nutshell, our students love to be at the WRAC – wireless internet will allow them to spend more time here doing many different activities. I believe our facility is a great recruiting tool for future students and adding wireless capabilities to this student facility will only enhance our recruiting.

If I may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at [duboisp@nsula.edu](mailto:duboisp@nsula.edu) or 318-357-5001. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Patric DuBois  
Director of Wellness and Recreation