FACULTY REQUEST

FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-14							
BCP#	DEPT. F	PRIORITY NO. 2 DEPARTMENT: BMIT - COMS					
PLEASE CHECK THE BOX REPRESENTING THIS CATEGORY OF FACULTY REQUEST							
FACULTY POSITION REQUEST New position Replacement THIS ONE!!! Full-time Temporary Conversion (grant to GU001)			BUDGET AUGMENTATION – Ongoing THIS ONE!!! One-time funding Other – explain (e.g. match				
TITLE OF INSTRUCTOR POSITION Computer Science Faculty							
PLEASE PROVIDE A SUMMARY AND RATIONALE OF FACULTY POSITION REQUEST (You may copy and paste from your COMPREHENSIVE OR ANNUAL PROGRAM REVIEW.)							

*** This is a duplication of our Priority #1 request. We are requesting two of the same positions. The

BMIT – COMS is requesting this position to replace one of the two faculty who will be retiring at the end of the Spring 2014 semester. Both faculty currently teach primarily COMS B2 and COMS B5. While these courses are core to our program, and provide a substantial amount of the FTEs generated by the department, they are courses that can be taught by qualified adjuncts. Even though we have had difficulty in the past hiring qualified and competent adjunct, we will continue to try so that some of the "lower level" courses can be offloaded to adjunct faculty. This confluence of the two retirements, along with the complete overhaul of the Computer Studies curriculum, provides us with an opportunity to enhance our programs, and skill sets, by acquiring faculty with Masters in Computer Science who can teach the new curriculum in the AS-T and new Certificate of Achievement offerings. This will enhance our programs by acquiring faculty who will have the FSA credentials to teach a wider range of courses. This in turn will allow crossover between faculty which will provide a more stable department. This lack of skills crossover was listed as a weakness in the 2012-13 program review.

This position closely aligns with the College Goals, the Core Mission (CTE and Transfer), Student Success (Program and Course Completion) and Program and Service Sustainability.

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A. Explain why the work cannot be reassigned to other staff within the department

By necessity, most of our BMIT - Computer Studies faculty members teach a specialized set of classes. Because there are so many very specific subject areas within the BMIT - Computer Studies department, there is also not a large amount of overlap between faculty members in each of the subject areas they teach. As a result, when one of our faculty retires or otherwise becomes unavailable to teach, it often has a direct effect on our ability to offer a class within that specialist's subject area.

B. Impact on College/District if position is not filled

Fewer faculty results in fewer course sections being offered. This impacts other departments that list several of the COMS courses as either requirements (BSAD) or as electives. This lengthens the amount of time students must remain in school and lowers the success rates for the college.

C.	Is a temporary employee currently performing the work of this position?				
	□ Yes	X No			
D.	New position:	How is the work assigned to this position presently accomplished?			
	N/A				

ESTIMATE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS FACULTY REQUEST								
TOTAL SALARIES AND WAGES (include benefits)								
SUPPLIES or OPERATING EXPENSES								
EQUIPMENT EXPENSES								
Total \$								
SOURCE OF FUNDS	ORG Number					ORG		
☐ GENERAL FUND				Categorical FUNDS				
☐ SPECIAL FUNDS				OTHER FUNDS				
PREPARED BY Phil Whitney	DATE 9/22/13		REVIEWED BY			DATE		
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IF PROPOSAL AFFECTS ANOTHER DEPARTMENT, DOES OTHER DEPARTMENT CONCUR WITH PROPOSAL? Name the department								
☐ YES ☐ NO THIS ONE!!! ATTACH COMMENTS OF AFFECTED DEPARTMENT, SIGNED AND DATED BY THE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE.								

Since I'm prevented from electronically checking the box above, the answer is NO.