

ISIT/FACILITIES/OTHER EQUIPMENT REQUEST 2018:

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Funding Source or needs funding. Please explain

Needs Funding: As our Psychology Program states, the success of our students depends upon their ability to apply critical thinking skills and empirical methods and analysis of social and psychological phenomena. As more sections of Statistics and Research Methods are added to our program to assist in this goal along with degrees awarded in our program, matriculation increases, and increases in success and retention, the addition of a computer lab (we currently have one computer lab in SE7 dedicated to reaching these program goals and 11 sections currently being taught), we are already in great need of this resource. Furthermore, with the adoption of AB705 our program has been projected to see a 20-30% increase in the number of students needing these courses and, therefore, needing this critical resource in fulfilling curriculum standards.

I am requesting the following conversion of a classroom into a computer lab:

At present, LA221 is dedicated to courses for both the Psychology and Sociology programs. This classroom currently has power strips located on the far side wall as it was intended to develop into a computer lab some time ago. Equipment needed will include, but is not limited to:

- Network support (including power, data cabling, and infrastructure)
- At least 30 computers complete with necessary hardware/software
- SPSS installation and license renewal each semester/year
- Projector and hardware for suspension from the center of the ceiling
- Several lengthy tables (as opposed to the individual desk/chair combo located there currently)
- Removal of Computer on Wheels (COW)
- Removal of current student desks

Though the use of this classroom fits easily with the faculty and department location, our request is not necessarily tied to this location and is amenable to other options to accomplish this request and our program goals for our students.