Examples of Successful Student Tech Fee Proposals

In 2015, nine proposals were submitted. The Student Technology Fee Advisory Committee recommended funding for the following five projects:

**VoiceThread Institutional License** - I am proposing an enterprise-level implementation of VoiceThread for the University of Maryland. VoiceThread (www.voicethread.com) is an interactive, asynchronous, media-rich slide-sharing platform. It allows an instructor to upload and annotate their lecture slides using text, voice, video and drawing, and allows students to comment back with the same tools. It also allows for student-created projects, which can be similarly commented on by their peers and instructors. This technology deepens and enhances distance-learning initiatives for both the teacher and the students. Submitted by ARHU - English Department in 2015

**Equip Non-Tech Rooms in Jimenez Hall** - Jimenez Hall - We would like to request funds to provide technology to the 16 Jimenez Classrooms (used for teaching as well as for after-hours student group meetings) that have zero technology at the present time. Jimenez is centrally located on campus, next to McKeldin and the closest academic building to the Stamp Student Union. We propose outfitting these rooms with 70” flat screen monitors and a PC with a DVD drive. This will meet the basic needs of the instructors teaching in those rooms and the students who are trying to learn in the 21st century while stuck in mid-20th century rooms. Submitted by ARHU-School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures in 2015

**Add Technology to Classrooms in the Math Building** - We would like to add technology to the 30 general purpose classrooms in the Math Building. Specifically, we would like to add a way to display input from a computer to allow professors to use additional teaching resources in the classroom. Submitted by ENGR-Electrical & Computer Engineering in 2015

**Terp Learning Cybernest Collaboratory** - Based on feedback from students at the School of Public Health (SPH) regarding the limited accessibility of computing facilities for instructional purposes and open lab use on the north side of campus, we propose development of the Terp Learning Cybernest Collaboratory. Leveraging resources and a renovated space at the SPH, additional funding will enable us to provide students, staff and faculty with the latest classroom technologies for a state-of-the-art instructional multi-use collaboratory. Submitted by SPHL - Maryland Institute for Applied Environmental Health in 2015

**Technology Upgrades for Ulrich Recital Hall in Tawes** - The Ulrich Recital Hall is a flexible space in Tawes, used for performances by the School of Music and for lectures by the Department of English. The two divisions, along with ARHU, jointly manage the use of this facility, as it provides an ideal small space for music and other live performances, while being suitable for classes and lectures. It seats 172 people and features superior acoustics and a concert grand piano on stage. Submitted by ARHU-School of Music in 2015

**Note:** In 2016, four proposals were submitted. However, the Student Technology Fee Committee did not find that the scope of these projects had the expected campus-wide impact. Therefore, none of these proposals were funded.