Request Title: Social Science Department Building

Part I. General Information

Name of requestor: Frank Palacat
DC review
Unit, Department or Program: Social Science Department
Dean, VC, Dir review
Chan review

Part II. Resource Information

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Alignment with Strategic Plan*: WCC 4.d, 4.b (4.1-4.4); UH 5.2; CC 5.1
(* this information must be filled out, i.e., Action Outcomes 2.1, 4.3, etc.)

Part III. Narrative - Description and Rationale

This request is for a Social Science Department Building.

Rationale for Request

It is anticipated that the college will continue to grow in size. The Social Science Department offers a number of courses that maintain a class size of 35 students. It has been difficult to accommodate the needs of the students and often placed Social Science course in under sized classrooms. Some of the instructors in the department prefer to use cooperative and collaborative learning styles which is difficult to conduct in ill equipped classrooms.

Currently, the Social Science Department is spread across the campus with faculty in different buildings and classrooms such as the Imiloa, science labs, Palanakila, Humanities classrooms including the Theatre room, and Kuhina 115 OCET rooms.

Providing a central location for the social science department to house courses, programs, and offices that would help faculty and students work together to create opportunities for learning and information. This would benefit the department and the other departments by moving the Social Science department out of the other locations on campus.

Documentation

4.D, 4.B: WCC
• There will be an increase in the number of students enrolling at WCC due to the publicity of the college’s offerings, the quality educational experience offered, smaller class sizes, convenient location, reasonable tuition, and free parking.
• New students will be attracted to the College due to improved facilities

5.2 UH
Build and/or acquire appropriate facilities to deliver educational programs and services in underserved regions of the State, and identify repairs and maintenance requirements to properly maintain facilities.

The department report indicates the Social Science Department is Healthy. The department has continued to grow with the college with an 11% increase of enrollment. The average fill rate remains at ~90% and the department's retention is 95%. Each discipline within the department agrees that a building is needed to continue providing quality education to WCC's students.

For PBC members: provide one rating for this request based on a scale of "1" indicating the lowest rating and "5" indicating the highest rating.

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