Background:
According to the Student Technology Fee Proposal Guidelines, the Student Technology Fee (STF) Committee annually submits its list of recommended Tech Initiatives (formerly project proposals) and any implementation considerations to the Associated Students President and the University President for review and consultation. The University President makes the final decision concerning projects to be funded, and any implementation considerations.

Tech Initiatives Approval Process to Date

During spring quarter 2018, the Student Technology Fee (STF) Committee reviewed its preliminary proposal votes, the projected spending based on its preliminary ranking, the Academic Technology Committee's recommendation for proposal funding, and the five comments received from the larger Western community. The Committee approved its recommendation for funding on May 11, 2018.

Recommended Proposals

The STF Committee is recommending to the AS Board nine proposals (of 13 total) for full or partial funding, with an estimated cost of $115,303.

The Committee did not spend the entire fee allocation for Tech Initiatives of approximately $130,000.

The recommended proposals are listed below:

- (ATUS) Alternative Digital Textbooks - Phase 3
  $15,000 (full funding)

- (ATUS) Digital Audio Recording Loan Pool Upgrade
  $7,500 (full funding)

- (ATUS) Digital Cinema Production Project
  $24,678 (full funding, contingent upon Audiovisual Technologies implementing self-insurance for this particular equipment kit to protect both the university and the students)

- (CFPA) Laminator, Mounting Support, and New Photo Technology
  $9,500 (partial funding - laminator, cutter, color management kit, one iMac computer)

- (CFPA) Performing Arts enter Concert Hall Live Streaming
  $12,490 (full funding - contingent upon integrating closed-captioning into the project from
• (CFPA) Music Department MalletKat Purchase
  $3,140 (full funding)

• (CSE) Expanding 3D Printing Technologies at WWU
  $11,320 (full funding, contingent upon the printer being housed in a more accessible
  location for use by all students, not only Engineering students)

• (Libraries) Power to the People
  $9,500 (partial funding - for 30 power packs)

• (SPMC) Enhancing Student Microscope Access at SPMC
  $18,675 (partial funding - for 10 microscopes, illuminators and mounts; AppleTV, cable)

Recommendation Total*: $115,303

* Total may change slightly after the projects’ technical review phase.