MEMORANDUM

Date: December 19, 2014

To: CEAS Faculty and Staff

From: Brett Peters
Dean CEAS

Re: Request for Laboratory Modernization Project Proposals

The CEAS Advisory Committee on Differential Tuition (CEAS-ACDT) which is composed of two faculty/staff members and three CEAS Student representatives has recommended the solicitation of proposals for the use of differential tuition funds. These funds are projected to be approximately $600,000 for the 2014-2015 academic year. In addition, transformational projects that can also leverage other funds are encouraged.

The proposed projects should be consistent with the goals and criteria established by the CEAS-ACDT. In addition and have a significant impact on one or more of the following unranked criteria:

(a) enhance instruction for CEAS students
(b) improve required courses
(c) have a broad impact
(d) interdisciplinary in nature
(e) respond to assessment shortcomings
(f) fit CEAS Strategic Plan
(g) align with departmental long-range plan
(h) collaborative and/or interdepartmental use of equipment
(i) addresses emerging technology issues
(j) effectiveness of instruction associated with purchase
Please note the following:

(1) Equipment purchased with differential tuition is not intended for research purposes.

(2) Departmental funding is not proportional to their student enrollment in the college.

(3) In general, consumables/routine supplies will not be funded.

Project proposals should be submitted on the 2014-2015 “Form A – Project Request Form”, please do not use out-of-date forms. List classes that are directly affected by the proposal, listing more than those classes will not improve chances of funding. Proposals are due on or before February 16 2015. These forms need to be submitted to the appropriate department or unit chair. The department chair will then rank the proposals based on the importance and priority of the requests. The electronic version of Form A, along with background information, goals and the criteria established by the CEAS-ACDT can be found online at http://uwm.edu/engineering/academics-2/accreditation/differential-tuition/acad-t-documents/

Typed proposals and forms are required. No late proposals and/or forms will be accepted. Electronic submission to Associate Dean Ronald Perez (perez@uwm.edu) by the department or unit chair is required in either Word or PDF format.

I will seek the advice of the CEAS Advisory Committee on Differential Tuition and will make a decision on the projects to be funded in April so that the projects may be implemented for the Fall 2015 semester. The CEAS-ACDT committee may invite department Chairs to make brief presentations and/or request lab tours as part of their deliberation process beginning in February/March.

cc: Advisory Committee on Differential Tuition
Paul Klaiber, CEAS Assistant Dean

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