

Intercultural Club

Request	Recommendation Approved	Item	Description
\$1,800.00		Honoraria	Intercultural Night (6 Paid performances) \$300 per performer
\$1,700.00		Facility Rentals and Set-Up	\$1500 Intercultural Night \$ 200 Quarterly Events
\$500.00		Printing and Photocopying	Posters, Flyers, IC Night Tickets, Brochures, Labels etc \$900 Quarterly Events (\$300/Quarter). This will include a variety of cultural events throughout the quarter.
\$5,000.00		Food/Refreshments	\$3,500 Intercultural Night \$600 for Chinese New Year
\$200.00		Equipment Rental/Purchase	Sound equipment for Intercultural Night (not available from UWB Media)
\$1,000.00		Other (Please describe)	Paper/plastic supplies; plates, utensils, napkins; table centerpieces (ie. Flowers); Intercultural Night, Chinese New Year, misc decorations
\$10,200.00			

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Executive Summary

Please provide a concise overview of the program, activity or service for which you seek funding. The Intercultural Club strives to promote an understanding of the diverse cultural backgrounds of students, staff and faculty at University of Washington, Bothell. The wealth of knowledge that each culture contains greatly enriches the academic environment at UWB. One of the three goals for UWB this year is to focus and enhance diversity on campus. Intercultural clubs gives an opportunity for students to learn about each other and it is also a place where students of all backgrounds can come together and share their experiences. The International Club was founded in 2001 as a direct response to student requests for both cultural activities on campus and increased contact with students, staff and faculty from all cultures.

Program/Service Need

The intercultural club is essential because it broadens our UWB student-body's awareness of social inequalities/issues, and opens a dialogue of mutual intercultural understanding of each other through networking and socializing as a whole community. The success is measured by the number of students in attendance or ticket sales. University of Washington Bothell students look forward each year to the events provided by the Intercultural Club.

Intercultural Night: Highlights performances from all around the world and includes a dinner buffet featuring world cuisine. 2010 will be the ninth annual event and it will be advantageous for our club

and campus community to enlarge the number of attendees from our current student body and the Bothell community. The close ties between the two will be beneficial to our student body and UWB campus.

Assessment

How do you plan to assess the program or service's success?

I believe that success will be measured by the education and the experience provided by the program and the events. It will also be assessed by the cultural understanding that the attendees learn and take away from the events. University of Washington Bothell students look forward each year to the events provided by the Intercultural Club.

Scope of Program

1) How many currently enrolled students will likely benefit from your proposed service or program?
2) Estimate the number of other individuals (faculty, alumni, etc.) that might benefit from this service or program?
3) Please indicate other sources of financial support.

Intercultural club is open all students at University of Washington Bothell. The biggest event that we have is the annual Intercultural Night which takes place in the spring. At the IC Night all students, faculty, and staff are invited along with the Bothell community members. The venue has a capacity of 200 people and our event exceeded that. SAF is currently our only funding source. Intercultural club does co-sponsor with other cultural groups on campus.

Benefits

We believe that Intercultural club will enhance these rich interactions that will help inspire and prepare UWB students for significant roles in today's global society. UW's mission is to "strive to attract and support our diverse student population [in a] dynamic community of multicultural learning." It is our hope that the club activities enhance the experience of all those attending the University by creating meaningful personal interactions with people of different backgrounds, by gaining cultural knowledge and skills, that is necessary in a global society. The students who attend UWB campus are a mixture of diverse races that populate the United States. Intercultural club will improve valuable knowledge and skill sets for our current student body population.

21st Century Campus Initiative

Our state continues to enjoy a diversity rich and increasing population. To support their educational needs UWB aims to grow enrollment to 5,000 by 2020 and be recognized as a student-centered, diversity friendly institution. Providing avenues to create a vibrant multicultural campus community is critical to realizing this 21st Century initiative. Intercultural club is one such avenue. The club responds to the social needs of the campus community by focusing energies and resources in a programmatic manner for providing a platform to the diverse groups to come together and understand and appreciate various cultures differences and strengths. It plays a vital role in bonding them together and enriching their student life.