UWB Policy Journal

\$7,700.00 Printing and Photocopying for the printing of journals for on-campus distribution.

\$200.00 Office Supplies Publicity

\$200.00 Food/Refreshments

\$300.00 Other (Please describe) Web hosting journal online

TOTAL: \$8,400.00

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Description of Program

The UWB Policy Journal (UWBPJ) seeks to publish research on a broad range of policy topics spanning all disciplines, levels of analysis, and national contexts. The Journal's goal is to introduce fresh ideas and new voices from around the campus on critical shared local and global issues by providing a space for student authored research to inform how we think about all areas of policy. With collaboration from the Writing Center, the Journal offers an opportunity for students to hone their writing skills and emerge as more effective writers.

Program/Service Need

The UWBPJ is an on campus publication that maintains a cross-disciplinary focus, and offers all students an opportunity to actively participate in the learning process and have their research published. The UWBPJ has been a signature publication on campus, measuring its success by the number of submissions (an average that has gone up to 30 submissions per year from the previous 20) and the number of copies distributed (600-800). In its fourteen years of existence, the journal has provided hands-on experience to hundreds of students who participate in submitting to the Journal, or selecting manuscripts and preparing the Journal for publication. SAF funds have raised the profile of UWB students in the academic community and provided a crucial public venue for the critical issues students engage. In addition, as we transition to a hybrid-print and online journal, the UWBPJ will play an even larger roll, reaching thousands of UW alumni and future students, the general public and other universities in addition to our rapidly growing on-campus audience.

Assessment

The faculty advisors and student editorial board will submit a written report next year on the state of the UWBPJ to the Teaching and Learning Center and the Student Life Advisor for review and assessment.

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 finacial support. The target audience for the UWBPJ is primarily the campus community (faculty, staff, and student population, totaling approximately 3,000), and the Policy Journal is also distributed to other campuses and universities and to community libraries. In addition having a transnational student body, approximately 20 countries represented, the online version of the Policy Journal will have considerable ramifications. In the future, we will concentrate print copies for oncampus distribution, and make the Journal available through the UWB website. We continue to explore ways to broaden our readership and give student writers the opportunity to have their work read by a larger audience.

Benefits

The UWBPJ has provides hands-on experience to the students who participate in creating analytical research documents, submitting to the Journal, selecting and editing manuscripts, and the preparation and production of a policy journal. With collaboration from the Writing Center, students also benefit from the honing of their writing skills, emerging as more effective writers. The UWBPJ is an on campus publication that maintains a trans-disciplinary focus, and offers all students an opportunity to actively participate in the learning process and to have their research published. In addition, the Policy Journal has provide a space to raise the profile of UWB students in the academic community and provided a crucial public venue for the critical issues students engage.

21st Century Campus Initiative

The UWBPJ helps fulfill the legislative mandate by creating a venue that promotes higher education in the State of Washington and beyond. The UWBPJ increases the opportunities for students to attain the knowledge, skills and experiences through its hands-on approach to research, journal submittal, selection, editing, and production processes that help prepare students for leadership roles throughout the state and beyond. The UWBPJ is a venue for students to engage in policy issues relating to business, healthcare, human rights, education, welfare, social sciences, and world languages and culture. The UWBPJ has enabled closer community ties and it is a real-world opportunity for students to learn, develop research, writing, and editing skills and give back to the community.

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