

2011-2012 SAF Contingency Application

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Program/Service Title

Diversity Programmers

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Executive Summary of Your Proposal

Please provide a concise overview of the program, activity, or service for which you seek funding.

Diversity Programmers are a new initiative this year who are taking over many roles previously handled by CEB and other members of the campus community. The Diversity Programmers are focused on diversity-related issues and events on campus. In the past, there has not been a programming group solely dedicated to diversity. We will work throughout the academic year to promote diversity on campus while encouraging students to promote acceptance and inclusiveness in their daily lives while becoming global citizens. Diversity Programmers work on events such as the Veterans series, MLK Day of Service, Bollywood Night, Intercultural Night, and much more. The Diversity Programmers have very little to no funding for the duration of the academic year to support new diversity programs to implement on campus. We hope to bring to light topics such as domestic violence, cultural differences and similarities, sexual orientation, etc. We hope to encourage respectful and thought-provoking discussions around these topics. We also hope to educate the campus community on different cultures and traditions. Future programs include events such as Safe Zone training, diversity training and discussion panels, events in the SPOT (Students in Partnership for Organized Transformation) location, the SPOT Team, and much more.

To further develop Diversity Programs, the

programmers would like to attend the National Association of Campus Activities conference in Charlotte, North Carolina. At this conference, students from across the country are able to attend educational sessions to develop programming skills, gain new ideas, and network. Attendees have the opportunity to meet other students from around the country and see how programs are implemented on their campus, how successful they are, and how they could be done differently. Students also attend showcases to gather ideas for events on their own respective campuses. We are constantly looking for new and different events, programs, or services to bring to campus. This would certainly help us gather much more information and let us bring new ideas to our campus community.

Need for this Program/Service

In 150 words or less, please describe the need for this program or service. Please include any data that might support your proposal (e.g., the number of students who have participated in your service or program in the past). If your program is currently funded by SAF, please indicate how you have used the money to help your organization meet its goal(s).

As a growing and diverse campus, it is important to promote a welcoming and safe environment for all our students, staff, and faculty. Many campuses have a Diversity Center or a similar location that allows students to voice and address issues and concerns on campus. We have no such location on our campus that allows students a way to voice concerns, opinions, or ideas. We hope to have the SPOT open soon to allow a location for safe and educating dialogue. The Diversity Programmers work with various groups on campus and on a wide range of events during the year. We encourage a safe environment on campus that everyone feels a part of. We promote a welcoming environment and hope to educate others on differences and similarities between groups and individuals. We encourage mutual respect and understanding while allowing for dialogue that fosters individual growth. Diversity Programs are essential in allowing students to understand, learn and voice concerns about diversity-related issues.

How do you plan to assess the program or service?

How do you plan to track the effects of this program

or service?

For example, how would track how the event/program/service went? How would you track how successful it was and what you could change in the future?

Throughout the year, we will track how successful events and programs are by gathering feedback from various groups on campus. For example, we will conduct surveys of events and the overall student experience with diversity programs over the year. We will also have discussions with groups we partner with to ensure we see all sides of the event. By doing so, we can gather more information and ideas on how things can be done differently and improved. We hope to have a suggestion or comments box in the SPOT to gather more feedback and assess the SPOT and programming.

Estimate number of students that will benefit from your proposed program/service

In 150 words or less, estimate how many currently enrolled students will likely benefit from your proposed service or program. Please estimate the number of other individuals (and indicate their affiliation) that might benefit from this service or program. Finally, please indicate other sources of financial support.

The UW Bothell community as a whole benefits from Diversity Programs. We encourage students, staff, and faculty alike to become global citizens and we promote a welcoming and accepting environment. We hope to foster an environment of mutual respect and trust, something that benefits the larger the UW Bothell community.

Benefits to Participants

In 150 words or less, please describe the benefits that participants are likely to gain by attending or participating in this program or service.

By participating in various events and programs developed by Diversity Programmers, participants are likely to gain new knowledge to use or keep in mind in their everyday lives. We hope to educate groups and individuals on differences and similarities between themselves and other groups. By doing so, participants will see issues from a different point of view and are likely to be more understanding.

Participants will become more aware of issues on campus and see the effects on their peers. This will also prepare participants to handle any sensitive issues that they may have to handle in the future or in their careers as they will be able to understand

each aspect of it.

Furthermore, participants will learn about different cultures and traditions around the world. This will broaden their horizons and allow them to understand others and their backgrounds better.

Additional Information

Please include any other information you feel is relevant to your request. (There is no character limit on this field.)

Salary/Wages

Benefits

Benefits paid to regular employees working at least .50 FTE should be calculated at 33.4% of earnings. Benefits paid to hourly employees should be calculated at 14.9% of earnings.

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Facilities Rentals/Set-Ups

If you require facilities rentals/set-ups, please indicate it here.

Telecommunications

Telephone equipment should be estimated at \$35 per handset, per month (this includes only one extension).

Security

Printing & Photocopying

Transportation

Round trip Flights: \$375/person Total: \$750

Meals and Lodging for Travel

For the NACA National Convention:

Meals: \$180/person Total: \$360

Lodging: The Westin Charlotte, \$215.06/night for 5 nights. Total: \$1,075.35

Office Supplies

Food/Refreshments

Equipment Rentals/Purchase

We are asking for \$2,000 for furniture to be placed in the SPOT (Students in Partnership for Organized Transformation). The SPOT will be a gathering place and multicultural center for students. It will be a safe zone for students to collaborate on programming and have open discussion on topics such as social justice, gender equality,

multiculturalism and much more. The Spot is located in UW1 in the lower level vista behind the Student Life Welcome Desk. The location will hopefully be open early winter quarter. As of now, there is no furniture for this location. We would like to create a welcoming and safe area that students feel comfortable in this furniture is essential to that.

Other

Please include any other expenses that don't fall under any of the above categories.

We are requesting \$10,000 for diversity programming. These funds will cover various speakers, trainings, discussion panels, educational sessions, and many other events.

We request \$500 for the SPOT Team. The SPOT Team will be members of the student body who will discuss and address student concerns on campus such as the recent hate crime targeted at the LGBTQ community. These funds may be used for training members as well as addressing and taking action on any issues or incidents on campus.

NACA registration: \$320/person Total for 2 people:
\$640

Total Amount Requested

\$15,325.35