Project Proposal: Technology in the Music Classroom

Project description

I will be attending the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) Conference in order to learn about music technology. This conference will take place in Hartford, Connecticut from April 4-7, 2013. As the Project Coordinator for the Music Technology Renovation Plan, it is imperative that I become familiar with the latest advances in music technology vis-à-vis music teaching and learning. There will be several relevant presentations at the NAfME conference, including "Technology That Improves Teaching and Learning,” “Finale and SmartMusic,” and "Creative Uses of the iPad in Music Class.”

Benefit to the Stonehill Community

The Music Program at Stonehill College is seeking to integrate advances in technology with current and evolving pedagogical practices. We recognize that previously unimagined music related technology is routinely available to students today. To that end, we are retooling our approach to teaching music theory and fundamentals of musicianship within the context of technology that students routinely access. Moreover, we have submitted a proposal for the renovation of the current keyboard lab into a music technology lab. The installation of equipment, hardware and software will facilitate the introduction of music technology classes here at Stonehill College. Such classes will move one step beyond music theory through the practical application of synchronizing sound with video, creating personal DVD’s for portfolios, and preparing audio clips for websites. Skills such as these will enhance employment marketability for students who are in the Arts Administration Major and the Cinema Studies Program.

Community Outreach Plan

After attending these sessions, I will meet with the music faculty to share information about teaching strategies that incorporate music technology. We will then bring appropriate practices into the classroom.

Budget:

Approximately $605.00 in total. I am requesting $650.00 in order to ensure that all receipts are covered. Any unused funds will be identified following the conference.

Conference Registration: $150.00
Hotel: Approximately $180.00
Travel: Mileage: Approximately $125.00
Meals: Approximately $150.00