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SVSU has over 10,000 students, more than 600 of them are international students from 34 countries. Almost most of the international students who attended the university have decent English skills, however almost all of them do not have strong academic skills. This program will provide the international students with a free service that will enhance their English skills, including reading comprehension, writing, listening and speaking. This will be possible with the help of competent and supportive teaching staff and language experts in the university.

**The Program Description:**

This program is designed to help the international student at SVSU in all majors and degrees to enhance their English skills in four areas which are reading comprehension, academic writing, listening and professional speaking.

This program will have lectures and activities that may use special software and manuals. All activities will be under the guidance and technical assistance of teachers, language experts and community volunteers. Also this program will have classes every Monday and Friday. Students can choose either session that works the best with their schedules.

In this program teachers will assist in the flow of the activity from the beginning of the session to the end, and check, monitor and record the student progress. Volunteer staff will take charge of handling materials and the laboratory equipment such as software and other reading/ writing tools. At the end of each session, students will be given homework and this will be chosen from the other courses' assignments, in addition to separate activities. Tutorial services will also be provided to help individual students with brainstorming, grammar, and citation, and also can help the students with the use of existing library facilities and more depending on the students' requirements.

### **The program objectives:**

1. Improve the international students' performance in classes by helping them to be more attentive and active in the class as they improve their language skills. Contributing to the success of the program is the continuous support of classroom teachers and some other experts in specific areas of the subject.
2. This program will help create a better class environment by helping the internationals to overcome their language barrier and help them to contribute and express their opinion in the class.
3. This program will also graduate better students that are more prepared for higher education and can achieve better future, and better jobs.
4. This program will provide working one-on-one service that can bring more helpful advices about academic writing , also will provide the help that the students seek If they can't manage their time to visit the campus writing Center before every assignment.
5. Because of the great benefits of the program, more international student will be attracting and interested to study at SVSU.

### **Project Evaluation:**

Although the program service may vary depend on the student's need, the program's objectives will be measured by the following:

- 1. Student attendance:** Attendance sheet will be compiled and submitted on a weekly basis for each service.
- 2. Class diaries:** The program team will be required to have class diaries that's document the day's lessons, and all other activities.
- 3. Professors feedback:** The student will ask their professors from the other courses for their feedback on the their level of progress.

### **Budget:**

This proposal requests \$21,573 in funding to obtain the software, hardware, and training necessary to the program team.

- a- 1 program coordinator \$70 per hour - 6 hours a week = \$420.
- b- 4 teachers \$50 for each per hour for 3 hours a week = \$600.
- c- 2 technicians \$40 for each per hour for 3 hours a week = \$240.
- d- Equipments such as computer programs and software \$0 (Using lab rooms).
- e- Printed papers and pencils \$153 for 8.500 sheets.

The whole budget for 17 weeks would be \$21,573

## **Summary of the strategy behind this proposal:**

As many universities the administrative offices are responsible for making the decision for grant proposals. I think we also will need the office of international student help and approval before that. In a community like SVSU that have big number of international students, and have many international organizations as one of its grant sponsors, convincing the decision makers by presenting all the benefits a program like that can provide to the university should not be so difficult. The program also have a strong factor that is its inexpensive budget compared to the enormous advantages.

According to the SVSU website through the past years the university sponsored many programs, including research, training, workshops, curriculum development, scholarly work, public services, fellowships, art exhibitions, and equipment awards. And they may seem interested in this particular project because it can go under one of their main categories. The proposal should be reviewed by someone from the grant service and when it gets approved it could be submitted online or by mail, then wait for the final decision.