

OvercomeTheDigitalDivide

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Virtual Meeting via Teams

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Purpose

Purpose: Overcoming the Digital Divide tactic aims to “Leverage technology to drive engaging learning experiences, develop digital literacy competencies for learners across different communities, and expand access to the digital economy and virtual services”.

Table 1. Overcoming The Digital Divide Goals			
	Short-Term Goals	Intermediate-Term Goals	Long-term- Goals
Overcoming-The-Digital-Divide	Support students/learners/educators with the needed technology (e.g., laptops, headphones, webcams, Wi-Fi, etc.)	Improve understanding of the status of Digital Divide at the institution	Improve the Digital Bridge through Improved IT-Based Infrastructure and Services
	Review and Update Digital Literacy SLOs	Increase the offerings of online learning through different modalities	Increase Credit Certificates Awarded
		Develop TC focused on Digital Literacy and Data Communication	Improve confidence in Online Learning through the Offering of Multiple Online Modalities
	Increase the number of learning spaces (e.g., laptop carts, AI labs, SNL , ..., etc.) to support digital equity	Expand partnerships/collaborations with corporate to support digital bridge (e.g., Microsoft, Dell, etc.)	Increase in-kind donations (e.g., MS, DELL, Intel, etc.)

AGENDA

Items:

- Priority Goal priority for 2022-2023: Expand number of laptops provided to students from 2,874 (2830+ 44) to 4,374
 - o **As of Feb 8, 2023, the Loaner program has distributed 988 machines for Fall 2022 and 396 machines for Spring 2023 resulting in distributing 1384 (out of 1500 machines) machines to reach total of 4258 machines.**
- Research: Update
- Updates Sharing
 - o Loaner Program: Esmeralda Sweeney
 - o IT: Derron Stewart
 - o BU-BN: Ralph Aiello
 - o Collaborative Learning Spaces
 - Makerspace of Central
 - Makerspace of North
 - AI Lab of Central
 - AI Lab of North
 - o Others
- Adjournment