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IRA Funds Request for Election 2016 Speaker Series

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Instructionally Related Activities Funds Request Summary

Project Sponsor	Scott Frisch
Activity Title	Election 2016 Speaker Series
Activity/Event Date	Various
Date Funding Needed By	September 1, 2016
Previously Funded?	No
Semester/Year	—
Proposal #	—
Report submitted for previously Funded Activity?	—
Report submitted for previously Funded Activity	—
Additional Report #1	—
Additional Report #2	—
Additional Report #3	—
Additional Proposers	Sean Q Kelly
Academic Program(s) / Center Name(s)	Political Science
Estimated total Course Fee revenue	n/a
Amount Requested from IRA	9500
Estimated Number of Students Participating	550
Conditions and Considerations	Large Event, Space/Facilities Services Requirements
Brief Activity Description	The 2016 Election is unlike any we have witnessed in American History. Businessman Donald Trump is currently the front runner for the Republican Nomination, and his candidacy marks a sharp break with past campaigns from candidates of either party in terms of tactics and the coalition of supporters. Hillary Clinton is poised to be the first woman nominee of a major party for president, and she is being challenged by an avowed socialist who is garnering much more support than any pundit predicted. To help students make sense of this complicated electoral environment, we are planning a series of events and speakers for the fall semester. Specifically, we will host four separate events around different electoral themes: 1) Hillary Clinton and women in American politics 2) Latinos, Immigration and the 2016 Election 3) Congress, Polarization and electoral politics 4) Governing in the era of Trump and the Tea Party For each topic, speakers will do two sessions: one session will be for Professor Scott Frisch's course Campaigns and Elections (Political Science 318), and the second session will be open to students from all classes and majors, but will be integrated into each section of Title V graduation requirement course American Political Institutions (Pols 150). For each topic we will invite at least one academic expert and one practitioner to discuss the topic. Professors Frisch and Kelly will serve as moderators and will pose questions to the experts for the open sessions. Frisch and Kelly will invite both locally and nationally known experts depending on their availability to visit campus during the busy election season. We do have commitments from former Congressmen Martin Frost (D-TX) and Tom Davis (R-VA) to come to campus to discuss their recent book The Partisan Divide: Congress in Crisis. Frost and Davis have graciously offered to speak on campus without a speaking fee if we cover their travel expenses and allow them to sell copies of their book at the open events. Students will be given the opportunity to interact with leading experts on American politics and pose questions to these thought leaders during an election cycle that promises to be different in so many important ways.
Learning Outcomes and Relation to IRA to Course Offerings	Campaigns and Elections American Political Institutions Political Science Research Methods Political Science Capstone Campaigns and Elections (Political Science 318) is a course where learn about "political parties, campaigns, elections and voting behavior in the American context." Studies will learn about the latest scholarly research on elections and campaigns and will hear from practitioners in the field ranging from politicians and other public officials, to journalists, lobbyists and others who work in the field of electoral politics. Students in this class will be responsible for writing a campaign strategy memo, and students will refine their understanding of real world politics through interacting with experts. In addition, students in POLS 150 will gain greater insight into the structure, function and operation of political campaigns in the Untied States. Students in virtually all political science classes will benefit from this program, as will all students who are interested in the political process and considering how to vote in the election.

	Students in sections of Political Science 150 will be asked to write reflection papers reacting to the speakers in this series.
Description of Assessment Process	Students attending each speaker's session will complete a survey assessing the experience. Students enrolled in POLS 318 Campaigns and Elections will be asked to write a qualitative assessment of each speaker as well as an overall assessment of the speaker series and is impact on their learning.
Activity Budget	Election2016Frischbudget.xlsx
CIA Budget	—
CIA Proposal	—
Course Syllabus	—
CIA Certification	—
Other Sources of Funding	The political science program will contribute funds for OPC charge backs, advertising and food for the events and the speakers. These funds will come from community partners money.
Target Audience/Student Marketing	We will market through announcements in class and class optional assignments, the political science Facebook page, blast emails to students in the program, and physical posters. Our events have historically been very well attended.
Bring Benefit to Campus	—
Sustainability	—
Program Chair/Director	scott.frisch
Dean	karen.carey
Acknowledgement	I acknowledge that I have reviewed and accepted the Conditions and Considerations herein. Please check off boxes as appropriate.

Program Chair/Director Review

Recommendation	I recommend approval of the IRA Funds Request described on this page
Name	Scott Frisch
Date/Time	2/29/2016 4:10:51 PM
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Comments	—

Dean Review

Recommendation	I recommend approval of the IRA Funds Request described on this page
Name	Karen Carey
Date/Time	2/29/2016 4:15:43 PM
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Comments	—

IRA Committee Decision

Decision	—
Comments	—

Current Tasks

Task	Time Assigned	Assigned To
IRA Committee Decision	2/29/2016 4:15:43 PM	David Daniels

Completed Tasks

Task	Time Assigned	Time Completed	Completed By
Review from karen.carey, Dean	2/29/2016 4:10:51 PM	2/29/2016 4:15:43 PM	Karen Carey
Review from scott.frisch, Program Chair/Director	2/29/2016 4:10:08 PM	2/29/2016 4:10:51 PM	Scott Frisch
Fill out Request	2/29/2016 3:35:34 PM	2/29/2016 4:10:08 PM	Scott Frisch

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