BUDGET NEEDS ASSESSMENT APPLICATION
Fall 2016

Name of Person Submitting Request:	**Dr. Riase Jakpor**
Program or Service Area:	**Department of Political Science**
Division:	**Social Sciences, Human Development and Physical Education**
Date of Last Program Efficacy:	**2016**
What rating was given?	**Continuation**
Amount Requested:	**$16,000.00**
Strategic Initiatives Addressed: (See Appendix A: http://tinyurl.com/l5oqoxm)	Student Success

Note: To facilitate ranking by the committee, please submit separate requests for each general area of budget augmentation needed. Do not request a lump sum to encompass many different areas.

One-Time   □   Ongoing   X

Does program or service area have an existing budget?   Yes   □   No   X
If yes, what is the amount? _____

1. Provide a rationale for your request (Please explain clearly the reasons for the need of the budget increase and also state whether this is a new, growth, or restoration request.)

> This is a new program that will be central to the Model United Nations (MUN) program that the Department of Political Science is working toward. It is part of our efforts to expand the reach and appeal of our Department. **This past summer (June 15, 2016), we launched a MUN club. It was very well attended by students, faculty, and managers. Our dean, Wallace Johnson, was there to give the welcome address. And he was there for a long time despite his very busy schedule. Earlier in the year, we had meetings with the principal, counselor, and teachers at the Middle College High School on MUN. They were enthusiastic about the potential benefits their students could derive from a MUN, and indicated their willingness to get on board.**

2. Indicate how the content of the latest Program Efficacy Report and current EMP data support this request. How is the request tied to program planning? *(Reference the page number(s) where the information can be found on Program Efficacy.)*

> The present EMP and earlier ones have had the creation of MUN as a goal. Now that we have a MUN club, we need the club to flourish. **We believe that students will be drawn to it and help to keep it alive if they know that they can travel to places like New York and other places.**

3. Indicate if there is additional information you wish the committee to consider *(for example, regulatory information, compliance, updated efficiency, student success data, or planning, etc.).*

> In 2013, SBVC hired a full-time instructor to teach World Politics and Comparative Politics, who among other things, was to help create a Model United Nations club. This budgetary request will advance this worthwhile goal.

4. Evaluate amount requested, as well as related costs (including any ongoing maintenance or updates) and identification of any alternative or ongoing funding sources (*for example, Department, Budget, Perkins, Grants, etc.*).

The requested amount is an estimate of what it will cost to sponsor 4 students and their faculty advisor to a MUN conference in New York. Regional conferences around California should cost far less, about $5000. (SBVC Department of Political Science frequently receives invitations to attend regional conferences.) In the near future, it is my hope that more SBVC students can participate in them as we explore supplementary sources of funding, including fundraising activities. I say "supplementary" because I sincerely hope that SBVC MUN will always be able to send at least 4 students and an advisor to these conferences every year, **counting on a steady stream of financial support from SBVC.**

5. What are the consequences of not funding this budget request?

To not fund this project will mean that SBVC will remain one of the few colleges in the area that cannot boast of a MUN. It will also mean that an important reason for hiring a full-time faculty in 2013 to teach World Politics and Comparative Politics is not being advanced. **MUN helps to enhance the prestige of the sponsoring college. To not have MUN at SBVC may not directly hurt SBVC's prestige, but it does nothing to enhance it. We can say the same about the AA degree our department offers.**