## PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

## RESOLUTION No. SP23 - R002



## A Resolution to Create a Laptop Borrowing Program to Enhance Student Learning

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Engineering

WHEREAS, Access to technology in the form of computers is a prerequisite for student work at Purdue University; and

WHEREAS, Some students may experience short durations of time where they do not have reliable access to a computer to do their work; and

WHEREAS, Library services at Purdue University offer rentals of other electronics to students for 1 week such as 3D Printing Pens, instrumentation kits, cameras and accessories, microphones, headsets, hard drives and light kits; and

WHEREAS, Laptops are portable in nature and allow a student to conduct their work without having to sit in a single location with desktop access for an extended period of time; and

WHEREAS, A program that allows students to borrow a laptop for a defined amount of time to complete their work is not instituted when their typical machines get impaired.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That PGSG asks Library Services to establish such a program that would allow students to temporarily borrow laptops to conduct work related to their duties as a student and/or employee of Purdue University.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That PGSG asks Engineering Computer Network (ECN) to establish a program that would allow students to temporarily borrow laptops with sufficient computational power to conduct computation work related to high performance as a student and/or employee of Purdue University.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That PGSG asks the University Senate's Education Policy Committee and/or Student Affairs Committee to oversee the purchase of about 1000 laptops for student population of 50,884 which also includes 12,017 graduate students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the PGSG senate asks that the Education Policy Committee and/or Student Affairs Committee present the university senate with a comprehensive plan for a laptop borrowing program with policies outlining laptop borrowing timelines, pick-up and return, and student liability as well as any needed resources and professional staff for the execution of the program and regular upkeep of laptops.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 25th day of January 2023.

President, PGSG

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Senate Chair, PGSS

## **Certification**

I, Mary Brown, Senate Clerk of the Purdue Graduate Student Senate, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was regularly passed and adopted by the Purdue Graduate Student Senate of Purdue University, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023 by the following vote:

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February

Senate Clerk, PGSS