

Equip every classroom with a webcam so students can "go to class" from the comfort of their own home.

CURRENT CHALLENGE:

Campus congestion. As alumni, I can personally attest to how crowded the campus was at times...in classes, along the streets, in the parking lots, in the student union, etc. I became increasingly annoyed throughout the years at how much of my time was wasted just trying to get to classes.

PROPOSED SOLUTION:

To solve the congested problem, I boldly suggest that every classroom be equipped with a webcam so that students can "go to class" from the comfort of their home. By being able to stay home or in their dorm room, students would alleviate several issues.

BENEFITS TO FRESNO STATE:

- The crowds on campus would be greatly reduced in the walkways, the parking lots, the streets, and in the classes. (This was impacted more during events at Save Mart Center and football games)
- No more wait list for classes. You wouldn't be able to overcrowd a classroom if only so many students are allowed to go to the class (Registration option for webcam classes only vs attend classroom lecture). This also means a greater opportunity for higher enrollment since thousands of students would be able to take one class at once. "Classrooms" could even be set up at different locations with a projection screen in a large auditorium like facility.
- Less smog. If you don't have to commute, you don't have to drive!
- Safety concerns would be reduced. With the recent shooting threat on campus, police would be able to monitor webcams to see if there was any threat or crime in a room. Also, less people would be on campus and in danger.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

My wife would have benefited from this opportunity since she has a fear of the infamous FSU squirrels.