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A little extra storage space would be helpful, such as a cabinet or two for teaching supplies, however, at this point it's not critical. As our learning toolkit grows, more storage space will become necessary.

A Psychology Club may be formed in the future as the program grows and there is an adequate number of students who are interested in participating and serving as club officers; the idea is underway. Ultimately, a PVC chapter of PSI CHI, the national honor society in psychology, should be developed to function cooperatively with a Psychology Club, such that students who earn notable grades in psychology are recognized for their performance. Once a student is part of the honor society, they maintain membership for life. Participation in one or both of these clubs is a valuable addition to four-year college and graduate school applications. Financial resources to initiate such clubs and to continue to support them may eventually be necessary.

In addition to the items described in this section, funds for outside professional development including conference attendance and related expenses, and professional membership fees, will be regularly needed to support institutional goals at all levels.

Finally, more support staff is needed for Distance Learning Education, to both oversee the program, and to process incoming work from students in correspondence courses. The volume of work that comes in each week is significant, and a good portion of faculty time is spent opening envelopes and sorting work first by course, then by assignment number for grading, and then again by facility/location before returning it to the Distance Learning Office for disbursement to students. Faculty time would be better spent grading the work and offering more feedback to students than on performing basic clerical duties.

*b. Describe plans for future changes in facilities or equipment that would better support the program.*

There are no plans for immediate major changes in facilities and equipment in PSY. Although, in the near future, including laboratory sections for core courses such as Research Methods and Biopsychology should be a priority. Appropriate facilities and supplies for laboratory courses in PSY will be necessary for us to provide a learning environment in PSY at PVC that is comparable to the student experience at other California Community Colleges, where the scientific method and laboratory exercises are applied to study behavior and mental processes in lab courses. However, before we make major changes in PSY such as these a priority, a variety of other issues that have been mentioned in his program review must first be addressed.