

## UW System FY16 Innovation Program Project Report

- Due on 12/23/2015
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*(\*Not to exceed two pages)*

Project Name: Telepresence Robot	
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Date: 12/21/15	Report Interval: 60 <b>90</b> 120-Final
<p>1. Briefly recap project objectives. Have implementation tasks to date caused any meaningful adjustments to the project's original objectives?</p> <p>Project objectives are to test the Double Robotics telepresence robots on campus with students, staff and faculty in order to determine true travel cost and time savings by telecommuting with the robots instead of traveling to meetings. My goal is to get the robots into as many hands on campus as possible so people can see the advantages and start to utilize the robots on and off campus.</p> <p>UWS staff have experienced some connectivity difficulties with the robots used on and off campus. UWS IT is working through the issues.</p>	
<p>2. What is the status of in-progress project tasks?</p> <p>UWS has utilized one robot off campus for several meetings to test the user's reaction to the technology as well as those interacting with the robot on location. UWS hopes to have additional off campus meetings scheduled for January.</p> <p>More on campus demonstrations are scheduled for January.</p>	

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3. Compare the current status of the project with regard to scope, schedule and cost with the original submission. Please also describe the cause for any significant variance from the original plan.		
	Original Proposal	Actual Status
Scope	Same	No Change
Schedule	Same	No Change
Cost	Same	No Change
4. Risk Assessment		
a. Describe any significant new or anticipated risks to the project's successful outcome with regard to scope, schedule or cost.		
<p>The usage of one of the robots for off campus meetings resulted in some technical difficulties including loss of connection, App lock up and speaker issues. UWS has also experienced similar on campus issues with connectivity. These issues have caused some negative perceptions of the robots which we are working to reverse.</p>		
b. Describe the mitigation strategies to address these new or anticipated risks.		
<p>UWS IT is working to connect a mobile hotspot to one of the robots to hopefully help to stabilize the network connection when local WIFI is inconsistent.</p>		