



## BOARD OF REGENTS DISCUSSION ITEM

Attachment Q

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### Report on Statewide Academic Collaborations

In an effort to increase the availability of academic programming, maintain cost efficiencies, and comply with federal and state regulations, public four-year universities in the state of Missouri initiated a significant collaboration initiative in 2011. The initiative allows universities to share academic coursework among institutions according to these general protocols:

1. All the students involved in these cooperative academic programs will pay tuition for the cooperative programs only at their local institution. No tuition or other remuneration will be exchanged between institutions.
2. Students will register for courses at their home institution although the instructor may be resident at another Missouri institution. No students will be required to transfer credit between institutions as a result of these cooperative agreements.
3. Sending institutions will develop a simple system allowing students at receiving institutions to have easy access to the technology infrastructure at the sending institution to the extent necessary to effectively participate in the course. In general, students at receiving institutions will not be required to enroll in or be admitted to sending institutions.
4. Instructors at sending institutions will deliver grades to instructors at receiving institutions at the end of each semester. Instructors at receiving institutions will record the grades according to standard practices at the receiving institution.
5. Courses will follow the calendar of the sending institution.
6. A committee composed of faculty representatives from each of the participating institutions will determine which courses are offered by each institution and when each course will be offered to the other cooperators. In general, the cooperating institutions will develop a calendar showing course offerings two years in advance.
7. A committee composed of faculty representatives from each of the participating institutions will develop a system to ensure that course quality is maintained, faculty credentials are appropriate, and accreditation standards are upheld.
8. A committee composed of faculty representatives from each of the participating institutions will review the syllabi, textbook, and other significant course materials used in these collaborative agreements.

The first course in this partnership was a pilot offered in spring 2011 between University of Central Missouri and Southeast Missouri State University. Following the successful completion of that pilot, the program has expanded to six courses in fall of 2011, as detailed on the table below.

## Courses Taught During Fall 2011 Statewide Collaborations

<b>Economics</b>	<b>Teaching institution</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Enrollment total</b>	<b>Enrollment by institution</b>
International economics	Southeast Missouri State University (SE)	1. University of Central Missouri (UCM) 2. Northwest Missouri State University (NW) 3. Southeast Missouri State University (SE)	31	NW – 31 SEMO – 15 UCM – 6
Labor economics	Northwest Missouri State University (NW)	1. University of Central Missouri (UCM) 2. Northwest Missouri State University (NW) 3. Southeast Missouri State University (SE)	77	NW – 46 SEMO – 15 UCM – 16
Sports economics	University of Central Missouri (UCM)	1. University of Central Missouri (UCM) 2. Northwest Missouri State University (NW) 3. Southeast Missouri State University (SE)	18	NW – 2 SEMO – 10 UCM – 6
<b>Foreign languages</b>				
German – special topics: media	University of Central Missouri (UCM)	1. University of Central Missouri (UCM) 2. Missouri State University (MSU) 3. Southeast Missouri State University (SE)	30	MSU – 10 SEMO – 10 UCM – 10
Intermediate French composition	Missouri Western State University (MW)	1. University of Central Missouri (UCM) 2. Missouri State University (MSU) 3. Missouri Western State University (MW) 4. Southeast Missouri State University (SE)	29	MW – 4 SEMO – 4 UCM – 10 MSU – 11
<b>Physics</b>				
Nanostructures	Missouri University of Science and Technology (MST)	1. Southeast Missouri State University (SE) 2. Missouri University of Science and Technology (MST) 3. Missouri State University (MSU) 4. University of Missouri 5. Truman State University 6. University of Missouri at St. Louis	39	UM – 11 MST – 11 MSU – 3 SEMO – 4 Truman – 2 UMSL – 8
<b>Totals</b>				
<b>6 courses</b>	<b>5 universities offering courses</b>	<b>8 partnering universities</b>	<b>224</b>	