Memorandum of Understanding

Agreement for academic cooperation by and between
SRH Hochschule Heidelberg
(Faculty of Applied Sciences),
Fakultät für Sozial- und Verhaltenswissenschaften,
Heidelberg, Germany
and
Southern Illinois University, School of Social Work,
Carbondale, Illinois, USA

SRH Hochschule Heidelberg, faculty of social work (SRH) and Southern Illinois University School of Social Work, Carbondale, Illinois, USA (SIUC) being in agreement that an international linkage between the two institutions is a mutually desirable objective and of benefit to all concerned, do hereby affirm their intention to cooperate fully in instituting and implementing such a relationship. The two institutions plan to develop a program of collaboration as follows:

STUDENT STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES

SIUC and SRH agree in principle to accept students in good standing from each other’s campus as study abroad students for a semester or academic year, and to accept transfer credits from each other for courses appropriate to the study abroad student’s work at the home institution. Students of either institution who desire to study at the other institution must meet all admissions standards of the host institution and receive all required approvals from the home institution. Normally, study abroad students will be responsible for their own expenses (travel, housing, food, student fees, and insurance), unless funded by a grant or a sponsoring agency, or by a negotiated reciprocal exchange agreement. Each institution will use its best efforts to assist in locating housing for study abroad students, if so desired. Visiting students shall be entitled to all privileges normally extended to students at the host institution.

Each university agrees to waive tuition for students coming from the other institution under this Agreement.

SIUC will send up to three exchange students to SRH each academic year, beginning, with the signing of this agreement. SRH will send up to three students to SIUC each academic year, beginning with the signing of this agreement.

FACULTY EXCHANGE

SIUC and SRH encourage the exchange of faculty members to teach, lecture, and/or conduct research in fields to be agreed upon in advance. SIUC and SRH will encourage their faculty to explore areas of mutual interest and institutional strength, for example, social work education.
Further details regarding possible types of support for exchange faculty will be explored by both institutions.

JOINT RESEARCH COOPERATION

SIUC School of Social Work and SRH faculty of social work will examine ways to cooperate in joint grant applications, research projects, and/or contract work in academic areas or locations where both have contributions to make. Proposed projects shall be evaluated to determine the mutual benefit to each institution. When appropriate, international organizations, government agencies, professional associations, and individuals may be approached for extramural funding. The terms and conditions of each joint project shall be mutually agreed to in writing before the beginning of the project.

ASSISTANCE FOR SUMMER OR SPECIAL PROGRAMS

To assist SIUC in carrying out its educational objectives SRH may provide facilities and/or organizational assistance for study tours, short-term programs or summer seminars. SIUC is prepared to offer similar assistance for any SRH programs in the United States.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The specific details of all programs are to be worked out through consultation and further agreement between the faculties of social work of SIUC and SRH.

The memorandum of understanding will come into effect on the date of its signing by the appropriate executive officer(s) of each institution and remain in force for a period of five years.

This agreement may be terminated upon three months written notice, or may be amended or extended at any time by mutual consent through an exchange of correspondence between the two institutions.

For SRH Hochschule Heidelberg
Prof. Dr. Jörg M. Winterberg
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Principal
Position
Signature date

For Southern Illinois University
Samuel Goldman, Ph.D.
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Chancellor
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