Memorandum of Understanding
Between
The Board of Trustees of
Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIU)

And

Fuzhou University Zhicheng College

In order to advance friendly relations between the United States and People’s Republic of China and in the pursuit of excellence in scholarship for the purpose of advancing and disseminating knowledge, Southern Illinois University and Fuzhou University Zhicheng College sign this Memorandum of Understanding to strengthen mutual understanding, foster friendly cooperation and promote academic excellence, collaboration, and exchange in all fields of academic endeavor.

Both parties agree on the following general forms of cooperation:

a. Engage in joint research and educational activities
b. Promote international experience through exchange of faculty for research, lectures, and discussions.
c. Encourage the exchange of graduate and undergraduate students for learning, research, and internship.
d. Organize joint conferences, symposia, and seminars.
e. Link website onto the partner university’s website to enhance information exchange.

Both institutions agree to appoint one or more representatives to the Planning and Assessment Team in order to undertake the following responsibilities:

a. Serve as liaison and maintain communication and accountability for this Agreement.
b. Initiate an annual Action Plan to undertake tangible activities within this Agreement, including:
   1. The location of implementation and the participants.
   2. The duration of execution of the suggested activity.
   3. A financial plan, detailing the financial resources necessary for implementation.
c. Monitor progress and report on the outcome and evaluate the success of these activities in an annual evaluation.
d. Determine new courses of action to sustain and strengthen the institutional relationship.
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The present agreement shall be effective for a period of five years and will need to be renewed after review and renegotiation by both universities. This agreement may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by either party upon written notification six months prior to termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized, respective officers, and by doing so, hereby affirm that the terms and conditions herein are mutually enforceable on behalf of and against each party as of the date first written above.

Approved:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  

FuZhou University  
ZhICheng COllege

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Date  
Oct 16, 2013  

Date  
10/21/2013