Agreement Between South Dakota School of Mines & Technology and China University of Mining and Technology, Beijing

Overview

Under this program, students will attend China University of Mining and Technology, Beijing (CUMTB) for two years and South Dakota School of Mines & Technology (SDSM&T) for two or more years, at the end of which they will have had the opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree at SDSM&T.

SDSM&T agrees to the following:

- 1. Accept students from CUMTB each year if they apply for admission and meet the normal transfer requirements of SDSM&T and if their application is endorsed by CUMTB. Students may choose any four-year SDSM&T program or major and will pay the appropriate level of SDSM&T tuition and fees.
- 2. Provide an intensive English as a second language (ESL) and orientation program at an agreed upon time before the students' first semester at SDSM&T. Charges for either program will be communicated to the students.
- 3. Provide an orientation program for the first semester to integrate the students into American university life
- 4. Provide supplementary English language assistance and support through campus tutoring services.
- 5. Provide all necessary paperwork for students to apply for an F-l student visa, in addition to email-based help and advising with the visa and immigration process.
- 6. Work with CUMTB to identify courses that will transfer to SDSM&T. The number of transfer credits may be up to a maximum of 50% of the credits required for the SDSM&T degree program.

CUMTB agrees to do the following:

- 1. Select students who meet Chinese university admissions standards, who are proficient in English, and who are expected to do well in the program.
- 2. Advise students that they are expected to finish their degrees at SDSM&T.
- 3. Provide students with foundational and discipline-specific courses as detailed in the first four semesters of CUMTB curricula.
- 4. Make known to students, prior to their application, the requirements and elements of the program they are applying to, as described in the SDSM&T university catalog.
- 5. Provide students with the opportunity to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or other acceptable English proficiency exam. Information is available on the SDSM&T web site for international applicants.
- 6. Provide official transcripts in Chinese with an official translation in English. SDSM&T requires that official transcripts must be sent directly to SDSM&T from CUMTB. CUMTB may send multiple student transcripts directly to SDSM&T in one package, as long as the package is sent directly from CUMTB to SDSM&T. Students may not handle the transcripts in any manner. Transcripts sent by students to SDSM&T will not be accepted as official.

Student Requirements

- 1. Students must apply for admission and meet the normal transfer requirements of SDSM&T. To qualify for this program, the student must have the endorsement of CUMTB.
- 2. Students entering the degree completion program must take the TOEFL, IELTS, or other acceptable English proficiency test in China and meet the requirements as specified on the SDSM&T web site. Applicants with scores below the minimum will be considered on an individual basis.
- 2. Students may take intensive ESL in the summer prior to a fall start date, or they may take 1-2 higher level ESL courses in conjunction with academic courses at SDSM&T. ESL course placement is dependent upon individual student scores on the placement exam administered after arrival at SDSM&T.
- 4. All students must meet or exceed U.S. government requirements for financial self support.

Miscellaneous

Participating students will be subject to the rules, regulations, and disciplinary policy of SDSM&T.

All International students and dependents are required to enroll in the Major Medical Hospitalization/Surgical Insurance Plan approved by the South Dakota Board of Regents (BOR). No outside insurance policies will be accepted as substitutes for the BOR policy.

ALL students are REQUIRED to have two MMR (measles, mumps, & rubella) immunizations in order to be a student at a South Dakota university. This is mandated by South Dakota state law. There are NO EXCEPTIONS to this requirement. If students are not in compliance, they may be required to withdraw from the university. Two rubella or two rubeola immunizations are not a substitute for the MMR.

The original agreement of July 2011 and this supplement constitute the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the program described, and any prior or contemporaneous representations or agreements, either oral or written, are hereby superseded. No amendments or changes to this agreement shall be effective unless made in writing and signed by authorized representatives of the parties.

Any problem arising from the student exchange and degree completion projects will be resolved through discussion between the two universities. This agreement, remains valid during, and is subject to the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Universities effective July 2011.

This agreement and any implementing memoranda may be terminated:

- a) By either party giving six months notice.
- b) In the event a party materially breaches this agreement, the non-breaching party shall give written notice of such breach or default. The breaching party will then have thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice to cure such breach. If the breaching party fails to cure such breach within 30 days, the non-breaching party may, without prejudice to any other remedies available to it hereunder or by law or otherwise,

terminate this agreement effective immediately by giving the breaching party written notice to that effect.

c) Termination does not impair rights already accrued under the agreement.

Any notice required to be given under this Exchange Agreement shall be in writing delivered to the Parties as follows:

- a) China University of Mining and Technology, Beijing: Prof. Wang Hongmei Director, International Cooperation and Exchange Office China University of Mining and Technology, Beijing Xueyuan Road, Haidian District Beijing 100083, People's Republic of China
- b) South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, USA: Ms. Susan R. Aadland Director, Ivanhoe International Center South Dakota School of Mines and Technology 501 E. Saint Joseph Street Rapid City, South Dakota, 57701 USA

This agreement is to be regarded as binding in both this and its Chinese version.

Signed on behalf of China University of Mining and Technology, Beijing by

YANG Renshu. President

Date:

Signed on behalf of South Dakota School of Mines & Technology by

Jan Puszynski, Ph.D Interim President & VP for Research

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