

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs
Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 7 – C

DATE: June 27-29, 2017

SUBJECT: Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SDSU

South Dakota State University seeks approval to enter into an agreement on academic cooperation with each of the following institutions:

- 1) Dalian Polytechnic University (DPU), Dalian, China (Attachment I); and
- 2) Jiangnan University (JU), Wuxi, China (Attachment II)

Each agreement is to establish a one-way visiting international student/scholar program. Both DPU and JU will each send up two students per year from their respective university's School of Food & Science to SDSU's Department of Dairy and Food Science as non-degree seeking, visiting, Master and PhD research students who will engage in scientific research in the field of food, experiments, reports, forums/workshops and scholarly writing for publications. These students will not enroll in academic course work. The research to be carried out by the students in the labs will be aligned with their thesis work. The incoming students will be provided full financial support by their home institute; SDSU's responsibility will be to offer the necessary research support. The whole idea of this proposed program is to increase the research collaboration between the institutes and allow associated SDSU faculty to generate the required amount of preliminary data aimed at gaining federal grants through research proposals.

DRAFT MOTION 20170627_7-C: I move to approve the Agreement on Academic Cooperation between South Dakota State University and Dalian Polytechnic University; and the agreement on academic cooperation with Jiangnan University.

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Dalian

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**AGREEMENT ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION
BETWEEN
DEPARTMENT OF DAIRY AND FOOD SCIENCE
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
AND
NATIONAL ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTER FOR SEAFOOD
SCHOOL OF FOOD SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
DALIAN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY**

On the basis of a mutual commitment to further international understanding and friendship, to share academic knowledge and to establish and develop mutually beneficial academic contacts, South Dakota State University (SDSU) and Dalian Polytechnic University (DPU) agree to the following:

I. SCOPE OF THE COOPERATION

This agreement is for a one-way visiting international student/scholar program. Dalian Polytechnic University's School of Food Science & Technology will send up to two students per year to South Dakota State University, Department of Dairy and Food Science as non-degree, visiting, Master and Ph.D. research students who will engage in scientific research in the field of food, experiments, reports, forum/workshops and scholarly writing for publications. The students will not enroll in academic course work. The parties agree that the contents for this agreement should have academic value, should not involve interests of a third party and will protect the privacy and confidentiality of all in the information involved in the agreement. The two parties further agree that the contents involved in the agreement will be limited in the academic scope within the related scientific area and will not involve state secrets of each country. The intent of this agreement is to enumerate and clarify the responsibilities of the parties involved.

II. SDSU'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. SDSU together with DPU will determine the number of qualified visiting students that can be accepted from Dalian Polytechnic University each semester/academic year. Qualified students will be at a Master or Ph.D. level, have full funding to be come to SDSU, and demonstrate English proficiency. SDSU must see one of three methods to verify the sufficiency of an applicant's English language proficiency and to satisfy the objective measurement requirement required by the Department of State:
- a) A recognized "English language test," (such as TOEFL, or IELTS)

- b) Signed documentation from an academic institution or English language school, or
 - c) A documented interview conducted by the sponsor either in-person or by videoconferencing, or by telephone if videoconferencing is not a viable option"
- B. SDSU's Department of Dairy and Food Science will appoint a faculty member to serve as the academic contact and this person will oversee the overall research program and well-being of the students, and to work directly with Dalian Polytechnic University.
 - C. SDSU will provide Dalian Polytechnic University with a list of anticipated costs each year for housing, meal plans and the required insurance, etc.
 - D. SDSU will provide each student from DPU with the documents necessary to apply for a U.S. student visa at the appropriate U.S. Embassy or Consulate overseas after receiving the Request to Host a New J-1 Scholar document from the academic department. The visa type will be a J-1.
 - E. SDSU-OIA will provide orientation activities during the first days of the Dalian Polytechnic University students' arrival to include orientation to housing and meals, review of the semester schedule, orientation to campus facilities, explanation of rules and regulations, and campus tour.
 - F. The SDSU-OIA will arrange for airport pickup on arrival day each semester.

III. DALIAN POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. DPU will nominate the qualified visiting students to the academic coordinator at SDSU.
- B. DPU and SDSU together will determine the academic criteria needed to be a qualified visiting student.
- C. DPU will have each participant provide for the international travel costs of the DPU student to and from Brookings, SD, including all airport transfers and taxes.
- D. DPU will have each participant arrange for visas and related travel documents.
- E. Each student will pay directly and separately for any charges to their student account designated by SDSU.
- F. DPU students will obtain major medical insurance coverage through SDSU's International Student Accident & Medical Insurance Plan.
- G. DPU will have participants comply with all university rules and regulations.

IV. APPOINTMENT OF COORDINATORS

Each institution shall designate an individual who will serve as coordinator for this agreement. The coordinator will be responsible for maintaining, revising, and/or and renewing the agreement, as appropriate. In addition, each institution shall name at least one academic contact, and this person will coordinate the specific aspects of the agreement.

The following individuals at each institution will be responsible for coordinating this agreement:

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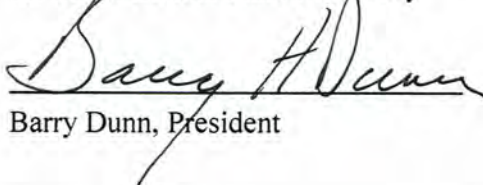
- A. This agreement shall be valid for a period of five years. This agreement will be effective upon signature of the responsible authority of each institution and may be terminated by either party by given written notice to the other

institution six months in advance of the date of termination. A termination of the agreement will not affect persons who have already begun an exchange under its provisions.

- B. Matters not provided in this agreement shall be decided by mutual agreement between the two institutions. Additional joint activities, such as student or faculty exchange, will require the execution of a separate agreement.
- C. Modifications of this agreement shall be made in the form of a written addendum signed by both parties.
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- E. This agreement depends upon the continued availability of appropriated funds and expenditure authority for this purpose from the Legislature of the State of South Dakota. If for any reason the Legislature fails to appropriate or grant expenditure authority or if funds become unavailable by operation of law or federal funds reductions, this agreement will be terminated by the State. Termination for any of these reasons is not a default by the State nor does it give rise to a claim against the State.

In the spirit of international friendship and cooperation, we hereby set our signatures:

for South Dakota State University


Barry Dunn, President

Date

for Dalian Polytechnic University

Beiwei Zhu, Dean

Date

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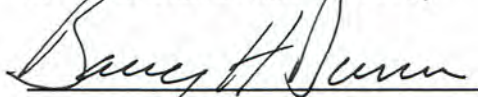
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In the spirit of international friendship and cooperation, we hereby set our signatures:

for South Dakota State University



Barry Dunn, President

4-17-17

Date

for Jiangnan University

Chen Jian, President

Date