

**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS**

**Academic and Student Affairs**  
**Consent**

**AGENDA ITEM: 4 – J**  
**DATE: December 11-12, 2019**

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**SUBJECT**

**Affiliation Agreement – BHSU & World Endeavors LLC**

**CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY**

[BOR Policy 5:3](#) – Agreements and Contracts

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

Black Hills State University is requesting to enter into an affiliation agreement with the World Endeavors (WE), a Minnesota Limited Liability Company. WE offers three meaningful ways to learn abroad through international internship, volunteering, and group programs each offering unique ways to explore the world. Each option is available in multiple countries and follows an immersive model. WE has culturally focused international programs in 30 countries around the world. In each location, their international educational programs are designed to be enriching and immersive while offering an impressive list of unique, challenging and hard to find opportunities.

**IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION**

This agreement would allow BHSU students to participate in the internship, volunteer, and customized faculty-led programs offered by WE.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment I – Affiliation Agreement: BHSU & World Endeavors LLC

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**DRAFT MOTION 20191211\_4-J:**

I move to approve the affiliation agreement between Northern State University and World Endeavors LLC.

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**Affiliation Agreement**  
**between**  
**World Endeavors, LLC**  
**Minneapolis, Minnesota**  
**and**  
**Black Hills State University**  
**Spearfish, SD**

This affiliation agreement is made by and between Black Hills State University, (hereinafter referred to as “BHSU”), and World Endeavors (hereinafter “WE”), a Minnesota Limited Liability Corporation.

The purpose of this agreement is to establish an affiliation under which students recruited by or referred to the Study Abroad Office at BHSU may participate in the internship, volunteer, and customized faculty-led programs offered by WE.

**WE agrees:**

1. To consider for admission to an internship or volunteer program offered by WE, applications from students nominated by the Study Abroad Office at BHSU, provided that these students meet WE criteria for admission.
2. To coordinate with BHSU faculty to arrange customized and faculty-led international programs for BHSU students.
3. To consider for WE Affiliate University Scholarships all BHSU students who submit a scholarship application.
4. To provide for all necessary letters of invitation, housing forms, visa processing materials, information about transportation, medical insurance and other services required and/or necessary for the participation of BHSU nominated participants in WE internship and volunteer programs.
5. To provide proper and adequate orientation and counseling services for BHSU nominated participants before and during their internship or volunteer programs with WE.
6. To arrange for accommodation in appropriate housing.
7. To provide BHSU nominated participants all other services described in the promotional materials and program descriptions of WE programs.
8. To provide a cost and fee payment schedule to the Study Abroad Office at BHSU on an agreed upon basis.
9. To work with BHSU on an ongoing basis to continue to develop procedures related to the affiliation.



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**The Study Abroad Office at BHSU agrees:**

1. To publicize and promote WE programs and to recruit qualified applicants.
2. To facilitate credit transfer for BHSU students earning credit on a WE program abroad, and to facilitate student access to financial aid for programs through WE.
3. To link to the WE website from its study abroad website, and to include WE in all materials, print or electronic, that list affiliated international programs.
4. To display WE posters and promotional materials in the Study Abroad Office and/or other appropriate locations on campus.
5. To forward to WE all application materials for BHSU students applying for participation in WE programs.
6. To facilitate communication with BHSU career services and/or service-learning staff to inform them of relevant international opportunities for BHSU students.

This Affiliation Agreement may be amended by mutual consent at any time, and it may be terminated by either institution at the end of any academic year by notice to the other prior to April 1 of the previous year, but without prejudice to any participant whose agreed upon program of study extends beyond the termination date proposed.

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*Signature*

Thomas Peden  
Executive Director and Founder  
World Endeavors

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Signature*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_