

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs

AGENDA ITEM: 6 – D (3) (a)

DATE: May 11, 2021

SUBJECT

Dual Credit In-District Delivery: DSU Computer Science Academy MOU

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[BOR Policy 2:5](#) – Transfer of Credit

[AAC Guideline 7.1](#) – Dual / Concurrent Credit Administration Guidelines

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

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

Dakota State University (DSU) is seeking to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with O’Gorman High School (OGH) within the Bishop O’Gorman Catholic Schools system. The MOU establishes a partnership with DSU, through the Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences, to create and operate the Computer Science Academy of the O’Gorman High School. Similar MOUs are currently in place between DSU and the [Southern Hills Education Consortium](#), [Sioux Falls](#), and [Madison](#) School Districts.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION

The attached MOU allows the ability to offer one DSU Beacom College Course, CSC150 – Computer Science I, to O’Gorman High School students during the Fall 2021 semester.

Board office staff recommends approval of the MOU.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I – Memorandum of Understanding: DSU & OGH

DRAFT MOTION 20210511_6-D(3)(a):

I move to approve the MOU between Dakota State University and O’Gorman High School, as presented, and 2) the course as presented for the Fall 2021 semester for in-district delivery of High School Dual Credit courses.

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

South Dakota Board of Regents (SDBOR) and Dakota State University (DSU)

and

O’Gorman High School, Sioux Falls (OGH)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets for the terms and understanding between the SDBOR, DSU and the OGH to create and operate the Computer Science Academy of the O’Gorman High School.

Background

WHEREAS, the O’Gorman High School is interested in providing to their students additional and advanced educational programming in computer science; and,

WHEREAS, Dakota State University through its Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences is able to provide such additional and advanced educational programming; and,

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Regents, Dakota State University (The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences) and the O’Gorman High School desire to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding setting out the following working arrangements that each of the partners agree are necessary to complete the project.

Project Intent

To offer one DSU Beacom College Course, CS150, to O’Gorman High School students during the Fall Semester, 2021.

Description

This agreement will bring university level computer and cyber educational opportunities into the OGH school district and provide these O’Gorman students with transferable credits. The course to be delivered Fall 2021:

- CSC150 – Computer Science I (An introduction to computer programming. Focus on problem solving, algorithm development, design, and programming concepts. Topics include sequence, selection, repetition, functions, and arrays.)

Accommodations for the Project

1. CSC150 is already approved for dual credit offering.
2. Students enrolled through the High School Dual Credit program receive a reduced tuition rate, which is one-third of the reduced rate of the course as established by the Board of Regents in its Tuition and Fee Schedule. No additional course level fees

(e.g., lab fee, program fee, discipline fee, laptop fee, delivery fee, etc.) will be assessed to students enrolled in this program. The e-text fee may be assessed to those students if this is a requirement for the course. Students shall cover all instructional costs associated with the courses they are enrolled in each semester including but not limited to course materials, texts, and related instructional supplies. The student is ultimately responsible for obtaining all required textbooks and supplies necessary to complete the course.

Administration of Course Offerings

This section of the MOU sets forth the commitments of each party to develop and deliver courses as in-district high school dual credit and/or concurrent credit courses.

In-District Dual Credit

The in-district delivery of courses through the South Dakota High School Dual Credit (HSDC) program established in SDCL 12-28-37.1 allows eligible high school students to complete courses offered by DSU faculty members. Such courses are governed by SDBOR policies and follow established processes for admissions, registration, billing and grade reporting. OGH agrees to record dual credit coursework on the student's transcript and use it to calculate academic standing.

Authority

1. All current and applicable SDBOR and DSU policies, guidelines and procedures apply to all course offerings and enrollment requirements unless a specific exemption has been approved by the SDBOR.
 - a. DSU academic departments, faculty and/or personnel will determine the textbooks and course materials required for each course.
 - b. OGH accepts responsibility for providing appropriate facilities, equipment and technology to deliver university courses in a manner that meets university standards.
2. Enrollment
 - a. DSU will determine the maximum/minimum enrollment for the in compliance with guidelines and policies established by the SDBOR, and with input from OGH.
3. Tuition and course materials
 - a. Applicable tuition rates will be determined by SDBOR and/or DSU policy and legislative requirements, with the OGH responsible for payment of tuition for its students in university courses offered as part of the in-district delivery.
 - b. OGH or its students will be responsible for the purchase of textbooks and materials required for each course, to be determined by the school district.

Point of Contact for Each Partner

Dr. Pat Engebretson, Dean, The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences and Brenda Mitzel Ed. S., Director of Instruction and Programs, Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools.

