Quarterly Activity Report

Activity: Center for University Scholars

Period

( X ) First--October-December
( ) Second--January-March
( ) Third--April-June
( ) Fourth--July-September

Director: Dr. Mary Coleman
Date: January 6, 2009

Instructions: Please submit this completed report to the Title III Director’s Office in adherence to deadlines established for this program year. The Inventory Verification Form must be attached if equipment and/or furnishings were purchased during the period. Use additional pages if necessary.

1. List activity objectives, in measurable terms, planned for this reporting period.
   - Host Course Redesign in English and Course Redesign in History and Philosophy Seminars.
   - Post advertisement to hire new faculty.
   - Host University Scholars’ Symposium.
   - Provide travel funds for faculty members to present papers at professional conferences.
   - Award 2009 Faculty Summer Research Scholars.
   - Place graduate assistants with faculty conducting research and teaching.
   - Receive 2008 Summer Research Scholars’ final manuscripts.

2. List activity objectives, in measurable terms, accomplished this reporting period. Additionally, if applicable, include primary participants or offices involved.
   - Placed job announcements for Associate/Full Professor of Piano, Assistant Professor/Associate Professor of Music; Associate Director of Bands, (2) Assistant Professor/Associate Professor of Music; Assistant Band Director in the Department of Music.
   - Placed job announcement for Assistant Professor of English in the Department of English and Modern Foreign Languages.
   - Sponsored 2008 University Scholars’ Symposium.
   - Announced 2009 Faculty Summer Research Scholars.
   - Hired graduate assistants to assist faculty in research and teaching.
   - 2008 Summer Research Scholars’ submitted final manuscripts.
3. State activity objectives, in measurable terms, that were not accomplished this reporting period.  
N/A

   Explain why the activity objectives were not accomplished.  
N/A

4. State the tangible impact/outcome of accomplished activity objectives.  
   • In-stream assessment of Math, English, History & Philosophy course redesign will impact university-wide math and statistics courses and inform teaching pedagogy.
   • National advertisements offer JSU opportunities to hire and retain distinguished faculty.
   • Travel awards to present research at national conferences afford JSU faculty wide and positive exposure, permit networking opportunities.
   • Faculty summer awards provide dedicated and talented faculty opportunities to produce first-class work, published in highly-rated peer reviewed journals.
   • Graduate students learn first-hand the research process and are afforded chances to publish before they graduate. This greatly increases their chances for admission to Ph.D. and professional school programs.
   • Mentors attendance during the scholars’ symposium resulted in rigorous critiques of scholars’ manuscripts and presentations and to summer research opportunities for JSU students (Northwestern University).

5. List equipment, furnishings, materials, and/or supplies purchased during this reporting period. For all equipment and furnishings, please provide a separate list on the *Title III - Inventory Verification Form* and attach it to this report.  
   The following supplies were ordered during this reporting period: black toner, cyan toner, magenta toner, yellow toner, special program paper and velcro adhesive tape for back drop.
6. If travel is a part of this activity, indicate trips (along with dates, locations, and names of conferences, meetings, etc.) taken during this reporting period (*Specific details should be provided in the required travel report*).

   The following faculty members attended professional conferences this reporting period: Dr. Mahasin Owens-Sabir, Dr. Johnny Gilbert, Dr. Leslie McLemore, Dr. Pao-Chiang Yuan, Dr. CoSandra McNeal, Dr. Thomas Calhoun, Dr. Gerri Cannon-Smith, Dr. Kamal Ali, Dr. Hui-Ru Shih, Dr. Lecretia Buckley, Dr. Tracy Harris, Dr. Jeton McClinton, Dr. Natarajan Meghanathan and Dr. Susan Maneck.

**Signatures:**

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Activity Coordinator *(If Applicable)*

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Activity Director

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