Quarterly Activity Report

Activity: Center for University Scholars

Period

First--October-December
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Second--January-March
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Third--April-June
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Fourth--July-September
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Director: Dr. Alisa Mosley

Date: January 15, 2011

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.
   a. Hire qualified graduate/teaching assistants to aid faculty in research, publication, and teaching
   b. Provide travel funds for faculty members to present papers at conferences
   c. Prepare for and host the 4th Annual Matthew Holden Jr. Symposium Lecture
   d. Prepare for and host the 8th Annual University Scholars Symposium
   e. Continue to integrate course redesign and/or transformation into the University Scholars Program
   f. Continue revising the University Scholars Program 2011 Application to integrate course re-design component
   g. Work closely with the QEP to prepare for the upcoming summer institute- Global Inquiry Faculty Seminar

2. List activity objectives, in measurable terms, accomplished this reporting period. Additionally, if applicable, include primary participants or offices involved.

   A. Checked with supervisors to determine if they were satisfied with the performance of graduate students; reassigned students as needed
   B. Hired 28 graduate students to assist faculty members during the fall semester. The graduate assistants will work in the following departments: Hamer Institute (3), Music Department (2), Margaret Walker Alexander (10), Mass Communication (2), Education (2), Richard Wright Center (1), Liberal Arts(3), Public Policy & Administration (3), and Center for University Scholars (2).
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C. Provided travel assistance to 17 faculty members to attend 13 different conferences

D. Hosted the 4th Annual Matthew Holden Jr. Symposium Lecture with Dr. Dianne Pinderhughes, Professor of Africana Studies and Political Science at The University of Notre Dame serving as the guest lecturer. Her topic was “Being President-Barack Hussein Obama-Black Politics After the Civil Rights Revolution”

E. Hosted the 8th Annual University Scholars Symposium. 2010 Summer Scholars were Drs. Mokhtar Aouina and Raghu Gompa-Mathematics Department; Dr. Eunkyung Yoon-Social Work Department; Dr. Tracey Knight-Lackey-Department of Education; Dr. Regina Fults-McMurtery and Ronica Arnold-School, Community & Rehabilitation; Dr. Hui-Ru Shih-Technology Department; and Dr. Wilbur Walters-Physics and Civil Engineering Departments

F. Continuously integrate course redesign and/or transformation into the University Scholars Program

G. Continue to revise the University Scholars Program 2011 Application to reflect integration of course re-design components

H. Assisted the QEP with call for papers. The QEP is in the process of choosing the participants in the Class of 2011 Global Inquiry Faculty Teaching Seminar

3. State activity objectives, in measurable terms, that were not accomplished this reporting period.
   NA

   Explain why the activity objectives were not accomplished.
   NA

4. State the tangible impact/outcome of accomplished activity objectives.
   a. Faculty summer awards provide dedicated and talented faculty opportunities to produce first-rate work, published in highly-rated peer reviewed journals.
   b. 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.
   c. Travel awards to present research at national conferences afford JSU faculty wide and positive exposure, and permit networking opportunities.
   d. Re-accreditation efforts such as GIFTS Seminar foster campus wide awareness of SACS Re-Accreditation.
   e. Travel awards also improve pedagogy offering an opportunity for faculty to enhance their teaching methods through an integration of their research into the learning objectives.
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.

There were no supplies ordered this reporting period.

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 conferences during this reporting period: **Lecretia Buckley**-Mathematics Department attended the MS Council of Teachers of Mathematics Conference in Hattiesburg, MS (October 1-2, 2010); **Dr. Alberta Yeboah**-College of Education and Human Development attended the National Social Science Association Professional Development Conference in Reno, Nevada on October 10-12, 2010; **Dr. Kwame Owusu**- Dept of Economics, Finance and General Business attended the International Academy of Business and Economics Annual Conference (October 17-20, 2010) in Las Vegas, NV; **Mark Geil**-Art Department attended the 2010 Society for Photographic Education Southeast Regional Conference in Tallahassee, FL from October 21-24, 2010; **Dr. Okechukwu Anyamele**-Dept of Economics, Finance and General Business attended the International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines in New Orleans, LA from October 21-24, 2010; **Dr. Mohammed Ali**-Department of Technology attended the Association of Technology, Management and Applied Engineering 2010 Annual Conference on October 26-30, 2010 in Panama City, FL; **Dr. Vershun McClain**-Entrepreneurship and Professional Development Department attended the Association for Business Communication 75th Annual Conference in Chicago, IL on October 29-30, 2011; **Dr. Thomas Kersen**-Sociology and Criminal Justice Department attended the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Academic Conference in Baltimore, MD on October 28-30, 2010; **Tamika Bradley, Eltorry Ficklin, Narah Oatis, Allan Simmons, and Leon Harris**-Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department attended the Mississippi Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation on November 4-6, 2010 in Cleveland, MS; **Dr. Mark Bernhardt**-History Department attended the National Women’s Studies Association Conference on November 11-14, 2010 in Denver, CO; **Dr. Robert Luckett**-History Department attended Graduate Association of African American History Conference in Memphis, TN on November 11-13, 2010; **Dr. Monica Flippin- Wynn**-Department of Mass Communication attended the National Communication Association National Conference in San Francisco, CA on November 13-18,2010; **Dr. Suseela Reddy**-Physics, Atmospheric Sciences and Geoscience Department attended the 2010 American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting in San Francisco, CA on December 13-17, 2010.

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