

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
SUMMER INTENSIVE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Purpose: To provide a provisional renewal of the successful SUMMER INTENSIVE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE (SIRE) created by the college in 2008.

Procedures: Faculty will be invited to participate in the SIRE program by a notice that encourages them to initiate the process as early as possible. Faculty who want to participate in the SIRE program may propose a SIRE course for the Summer. The proposal must demonstrably involve students in faculty scholarly or creative projects and go through the usual program procedures for course approval. Faculty proposing courses will include an explanation of how students will be involved, the contact they will have with the faculty member, and how they will benefit. Each faculty proposal will include standards (e.g. GPA, credits earned, prerequisites, etc.) for student applicants. Programs may set program standards for SIRE proposals. Upon approval by the program and dean, the faculty member may invite students to apply for SIRE. Students will enroll through the special projects form used for independent studies. Applications for SIRE may be made no later than six (6) weeks prior to the intended start date of the summer session during which the project is to be conducted, but preferably in the same time frame as the creation of the summer course schedule.

Compensation and Limits: Faculty will be compensated at the following rates:

- 6 students = 4 TCH
- 5 students = 3.33 TCH (5/6)
- 4 students = 2.66 TCH (4/6)
- 3 students = 2 TCH (3/6)
- 2 students = 1.33 TCH (2/6)

1-student SIRE courses are not permitted.

Faculty who participate in the SIRE program shall not be precluded from teaching regular summer school classes.

Assessment: The impact of SIRE participation on students' learning, faculty scholarly productivity and on Summer School shall be assessed after the summer 2012 to determine whether the program should be continued indefinitely and whether any changes are needed.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the College and the Stockton Federation of Teachers have caused this Memorandum of Agreement to be executed this _____ day of _____, 2009.

For Richard Stockton College

For the Stockton Federation of Teachers

Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., President

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