

## **UM/South Africa Program Update December, 1999**

*A Report of the University of Missouri South Africa Education Program*

*Committee UM-Columbia UM-Kansas City UM-Rolla UM-St. Louis*

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### **Tutu Visit Planned**

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape, will travel to St. Louis on May 18, 2000, to deliver an address and receive the UM-St. Louis Global Citizen Award. His visit will also mark UWC's 40th Anniversary and the longstanding UM/UWC linkage. Detailed plans for this event are under development.

### **UM Receives Four-Year Telp Linkage Grant**

In May, 1999, UM received notification that its USAID Tertiary Educational Linkages Program (TELP) Linkage Grant application had been approved. UM's linkage partner for the project is the University of the Western Cape. Funding for UM/UWC projects over the four year grant period is expected to total approximately \$450,000. UM will contribute an additional \$115,000 in grant matching funding. Included within the overall project are eleven cooperative projects in curriculum development, including four projects in Education, Training and Development, two projects in the area of Health and Wellness, and projects in Environmental Studies, Diversity Studies, Family Studies, and Peace and Conflict Studies.

The projects are:

1. Problem-based learning and curriculum development in Health Related Professions; Co-leaders, Tyrone Pretorius, UWC, and Rich Oliver, UMC.
2. Enhancement of graduate programs, faculty training, and research at the School of Dentistry, UWC; Co-leaders, H. Moola, UWC, and J. David Eick, UMKC.
3. Conflict, violence, and health: Health and wellness curriculum development/staff development; Co-leaders, Elaine Salo, UWC, and George McCall, UMSL.
4. Geophysical and geological water resource studies; Co-leaders, Jan van Bever Donker, UWC, and Neil Anderson, UMR.

5. Women's Studies career and curriculum development program; Co-leaders, Cheryl Potgieter, UWC, and Suzanna Rose, UMSL.
6. Children and violence; Co-leaders, Rose September, UWC, and Lois Pierce, UMSL.
7. Staff development and curriculum planning in Law; Co-leaders, Lovell Fernandez, UWC, and Jim Levin, UMC.
8. Achieving excellence in academic and institutional outcomes through collaboration, replication and dissemination of best practices in Economic and Management Sciences; Co-leaders, Fatima Abrahams, UWC, and Nicholas Peroff, UMKC.
9. Fostering an institutional culture for lifelong learning at UWC; Co-leaders, Shirley Walters, UWC, and Wendell Smith, UMSL.
10. Distributed education certificate program; Co-leaders, Karolina O'Donoghue, UWC, and Dale Huffington, UMC.
11. School organizational culture and change; Co-leaders, Harold Herman, UWC, and Bernard Oliver, UMKC.



### **2000 Exchange Participants Selected**

The UMSAEP Committee met with Professor Jan Persens, UWC Director of International Relations, on December 6, 1999, in St. Louis to select faculty exchange participants for 2000. Projects submitted by the following UM and UWC faculty were funded:

#### **UWC Faculty Projects**

- Harold Herman – Education (Host: Bernard Oliver, UMKC)
- James Darkwa – Chemistry (Host: Jim Stoffer, UMR)
- Loes Nas - English (Host: TBA)
- Robert Lindsay – Physics (Host: Tushar K. Ghosh, UMC)

#### **UM Faculty Projects**

- Joseph Bien, Philosophy UMC (Host: Andrew Nash)
- Richard W. Madsen - Statistics, UMC (Host: D. Kotze)
- Gordon Anderson, Chemistry, UMSL (Collaborator: Malcolm Arendse)
- Diane Orton-Howard, Social Work, UMC (Host: Frans Kotze)

In addition, Roy Fox, Curriculum & Instruction, UMC, and Greg Arling, Health Administration, UMKC, will complete their 1999-funded projects in 2000. Fox's host is Prevot van der Merwe. Arling's host is Mickey Chopra.

#### **UM Faculty Proposals Invited**

UM faculty are invited to submit proposals by July 15, 2000, for 2001 projects under the UM/UWC Linkage Program and the South African Partnerships Program. The combined RFP can be found on the web at <http://www.system.missouri.edu/urel/main/second/wsarfp.htm>.

## **UWC Student Leaders Delegation**

A delegation of UWC student leaders visited Missouri November 30 – December 5, 1999. The delegation, which included Ms. Bella Mfenyana, Mr. Sandi Mbu, and Ms. Nkgtheko Mayimele, visited St. Louis, Rolla, and Columbia and engaged in a full day of meetings with student government representatives, faculty, and administrators at each campus.

## **UM/UWC Student Exchange Program**

The UM/UWC Student Exchange Program was initiated with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding in 1997. The program was created to provide partial support for exchange visits by four UM students (one from each campus) and four UWC students each year. In 1999, five UM students received Henry Mitchell Scholarships of \$1,250 each and travelled to UWC. They are: Jeremy Strohmeier, UMR; Elizabeth Morris, UMR; Shauna Oppert, UMR; Jane Bauer, UMSL, and Thomas Nelson, UMKC. Two additional UM students are scheduled to study at UWC as Mitchell Scholars during the coming year. They are: Kellie Gist, UMR; and Jordan Macauley, UMR.

The first Mitchell Scholar, Clare Fauke, UMC, completed an academic year at UWC in June, 1999. UWC expects to name its first Mitchell Scholars in 2000.



## **1999 Faculty Exchange Visit**

UM visitors to South Africa in 1999 included: Tola Olu Pearce, Sociology UMC; Johnetta Morrison, Human Development and Family Studies, UMC; Richard Hagni, Geology & Geophysics, UMR; Francisca Oboh-Ikuenobe, Geology & Geophysics, UMR; David Klostermann, Continuing Education, UMSL; Aaron Krawitz, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering, UMC; K.C. Morrison, Political Science, UMC; Rich Oliver, Health Related Professions, UMC; Gerald Browing, Health Related Professions, UMC; Lois Pierce\*, Social Work, UMSL; George McCall, Sociology, UMSL; Jenice Prather, Accountancy, UMC; Ron Turner (Executive Visit), UM; Lee Saperstein\*, School of Mines & Metallurgy, UMR; Hal Jeffcoat\*, Development and Alumni Relations, UMC.

\* Funded by campus

UWC visitors to UM in 1999 included: Orlando Hohls, Economics and Management Science; Reginald Domoney, Earth Sciences; Kay Jaffer, Journalism; Jan Persens (Executive Visit), Office of International Relations; Natheem Hendricks, Continuing Education.

## **UM/UWC Exchange Summary**

|            | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | Total |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| UM Visits  | 4    | 6    | 7    | 14   | 11   | 12   | 10   | 11   | 11   | 7    | 9    | 12   | 17   | 15   | 146   |
| UWC Visits | 4    | 10   | 11   | 18   | 17   | 25   | 10   | 13   | 13   | 7    | 8    | 11   | 11   | 5    | 163   |

Total            8    16    18    32    28    37    20    24    24    14    17    23    28    20    309

### Comments from or About Recent Exchange Visitors

**Chuck Korr, Professor of History and Fellow in the Center for International Studies, UMSL**, reports that his UMSAEP grant enabled him to make three research trips to Cape Town and Pretoria to further his work on the Robben Island project. He has made presentations on the project at DeMontfort University in Leicester, England, at the University of Maine-Orono, and at the annual meeting of the North American Society for Sport History.

**K.C. Morrison, Professor of Political Science, UMC**: "[My project at UWC and UCT] was an excellent opportunity for developing contacts that will enhance broader linkages between UM and the nation of South Africa during its transition."

**Jenice Prather-Kinsey, Associate Professor of Accountancy, UMC**: "The value of this exchange program cannot be overstated. Anyone pursuing research about South Africa will learn from interacting with students and faculty at UWC."

Dr. Pam Nichols, University of the Witwatersrand, commenting on the visit of **Prof. Aaron Krawitz, UMC**: "Prof. Aaron Krawitz's visit has been extremely helpful in allowing teaching staff across the university to think about the inclusion of writing as a mode of learning in their courses. Prof. Krawitz came at a very opportune time..."



### South Africa Partnerships Program

In October, the UMSAEP Committee approved Partnerships Program awards for 2000 to the following UM faculty members:

- **Jerry Wade**, Community Development, UM-Columbia, for a project leading to the development of a Community Development Academy-South Africa in collaboration with MEDICOS, MEDUNSA, and the University of Pretoria.
- **Adrienne Hoard**, Fine Art and Curriculum & Instruction, UM-Columbia, to complete a qualitative field study of women painters of the Ndebele nation, in partnership with faculty in the Department of Art History and Visual Art at the University of South Africa (UNISA), Pretoria.
- **Charles Nilon**, Fisheries and Wildlife, UM-Columbia, for a project to assist South African Partners, including the Rustenburg District Council and the North West Provincial Parks and Tourism Council in management of wildlife populations, species diversity conservation, and environmental monitoring in parklands, both remote and urban.
- **Antony Okafor and Andrew Otieno**, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering, UM-Rolla, for collaborative research in Structural Health Monitoring with the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Durban-Westville.

- **William C. Kyle, Jr.**, Education, UMSL, to assist the University of Durban-Westville in development and initial offering of a PhD program in science education.

### **Krawitz Establishes Scholarship Fund at WITS**

Upon returning from his South African Partnerships Program project at University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, Aaron Krawitz, Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, UM-Columbia, established a bursary at Wits for deserving and needy African students in the field of metallurgy.

### **Web Resources on South Africa**

Please note the following sources of information related to South Africa on the World Wide Web:

- Web site for discussion of Internet issues in Africa: <http://www3.sn.apc.org/africa>.
- Cape Argus (newspaper): [http://www.inc.co.za/online/cape\\_argus/](http://www.inc.co.za/online/cape_argus/) (Includes an events guide, restaurant reviews, gallery guide, and the Sunday Life magazine.)
- Weekly Mail and Guardian: <http://www.mg.co.za/mg/> (Described as the first and best South African publication on the Internet.)
- African National Congress Home Page: <http://www.anc.org.za>
- ANC Publications: <http://www.anc.org.za/lists/ancpubs.html>
- The South Africa Initiative Office (U. of Michigan): <http://www.umich.edu/~saioum>
- U.S.-South Africa Binational Commission: <http://www.southafrica.net/economy/other/bination.html>

### **Other Links to South African Newspapers:**

- Online Newspapers for South Africa: <http://www.zen.co.uk/home/page/nchadd/safrica.htm>
- Ecola Newstand--South African newspapers: <http://www.ecola.com/news/press/af/za/>
- Penn Library-South Africa-Newspapers: <http://www.library.upenn.edu/resources/news/newspapers/country/africa/southafrica-papers.html>
- A Guide to South African news on the web: <http://www.bibim.com/anc/sa-news/html>
- Kiosk: <http://www.esperanto.se/kiosk/afrika/sydafrika.html>



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This newsletter is intended to facilitate communication among those who are interested in the UM/South Africa education program. If you have ideas or suggestions for topics or questions related to any aspect of the program, please let us know.