

Offering classroom instruction for credit or non-credit between St. John's and another entity

Due to limited resources and specific goals that the University wants to achieve, a focus on specific types of partnerships is necessary.

- Link to the Strategic Plan
- Link to the Provost's academic goals
- Must be accompanied by a P&L
 - o Positive revenue?
 - Administrative capability/costs?
- Must go through the channels of approval.

The first question: "Is this the type of partnership that will meet the above goals?"



SOME OF THE MANY POSSIBILITIES (credit)

WHO IS THE PARTNER?

- Other Title IV Higher Ed institutions
- Non-Title IV
 Higher Ed
 institutions
 (usually International, student
 VISA's?)
- Not-for profit/ for-profit
- External organizations
- High Schools

WHERE WILL INSTRUCTION TAKE PLACE?

- Our Campus
- Our instructional sites
- Another University
- An independent location
- Overseas
- Some combination of these

WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?

- UG or GR credits (or both)
- Our professors teaching at a site
- Our professors teaching non St. John's students at our sites
- International Students coming to campus
- Our students being taught by another University
- Some combination of these

Once the facts are gathered, an agreement can be created that addresses the specific details using a template and adding or removing terms

WHAT WILL YOU NEED?

IT DEPENDS

- Basic Transfer Articulation Agreement (community college)
- Advanced Standing Agreements
- Exchanges
- Joint Degree or Pathway?
- Something new



WHY does it matter? - Behind the Scenes

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Title IV – the University receives and distributes Financial Aid and New York State Aid, and therefore we are subject to regulations

- all taxpayers, taxpayer \$, loan debt (student and parent)
- increased scrutiny are students getting what they pay for (or what we as taxpayers are paying for)?

MSCHE – as the University's accreditor, it focuses on the quality of education

In recent years, accreditors have been called upon to support the U.S
 Department of Education (ED) in ensuring compliance. MSCHE added a "new" compliance report

NYSED – Licensing body, Charter, Board of Regents

 Defines and controls registration of academic program, credit hour definitions, and which/where degree programs can be offered



Why does it matter? Behind the Scenes

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N S **Finance**

Nothing is free – there is a cost associated with every opportunity provided.

Support from others in the Department or Division

• If you are agreeing to offer classes that involve other faculty, the other faculty need to know about this – EPC/department approval, faculty council involvement.

Issue spotting and solving/avoiding redundancy

- Is it possible to offer a full degree program at a certain site?
- Does a template exist that can be used?

Is the potential partner acceptable?

Eventual implementation

• In addition to the academic aspects, implementation requires the assistance of the offices of the registrar, financial aid and enrollment. If students are international, ISSSO (International Student & Scholar Services Office) will need to be consulted.





Before:

- Classes are offered somewhere other than our property
- International students come to campus
- · Discounts are offered
- ANY promises, handshakes, agreements

MUST go through a process

If not fiscally viable, does it advance our mission?

- College/School Planner and **Provost's Office**
- Will we attract enough students? Which faculty will be used? How will we pay them? Do you want a discount? Do you want to use St. John's properties?

 Inquiry form and financial analysis to the appropriate person (on website)

Determine who/ what is needed to implement

Meetings? Create document? **BOT** approval?

- Legal
- Provost's Office
- Registrar
- Financial Aid
- Global Studies
- •ISSSO

• Idea

- Complete appropriate form on website
- Chairperson and **Departmental** approval of the concept

Is it fiscally viable?

Why so much process?

- Help navigate the complicated federal and state rules and assist academic units
- Spot issues before the University becomes involved or student are affected
- Avoid unintended mistakes
 - Misrepresentation
 - Borrower Defense
 - Incentive compensation
 - Cleary Act reporting