MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AND KARABUK UNIVERSITY

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into by and between The Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University, a body politic and corporate of the State of Illinois, Governing Southern Illinois University Edwardsville ("University") and Karabuk University, an Institution of Higher Education located in Karabuk Turkey ("Karabuk"). University and Karabuk may be referred to herein collectively as "Parties," or separately as a "Party."

WHEREAS, both Parties support efforts to provide degree programs in the area of higher education; and

WHEREAS, both Parties acknowledge that Karabuk's "Mevlana" exchange program and University's acceptance of students and faculty from that program would complement both Universities; and

WHEREAS, both Parties wish to provide both University's students the ability to obtain additional credits towards their degrees and to provide faculty the ability to travel to the respective university to participate in faculty development;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and representations set forth below, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1) This memorandum serves as an understanding between University and Karabuk for the exchange of faculty and students.
- 2) The Parties agree that the exchange of students and faculty from Karabuk, under the "Mevlana Exchange Program", to University, shall be according to the specifications outlined in the attached Student Exchange and Academic Staff Mobility Guidelines (Exhibit A).
- 3) Karabuk Students who desire to attend University shall have a minimum TOEFL score of 80 iBT, 213 cBT or 550 pBT, or an IELTS score of 6.5. These scores shall be provided to University along with any other documentation required from University, twelve (12) weeks prior to any expected arrival for study.

- 4) Karabuk faculty that wish to travel to University for faculty development shall request from University a Letter of Invitation twelve (12) weeks prior to their expected visit.
- 5) University academic calendar operates from mid-August to mid-December for the Fall semester and from mid-January to mid-May for the Spring semester.
- 6) Notices regarding this MOU and any student or faculty exchanges shall be in writing in the English language and shall be sent via USPS mail or Turkish mail to the following individuals:

Karabuk University:

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville:

Name: Qya Obalah Title: International Relations Coordinator Address: Demir Gelik Campus Rectorship Block C Room 315 78050 Karabuk TURKEY

Name: Ronald P. Schaefer

Title: Director, International Programs

Address: Box 1616, SIUE, Edwardsville,

IL, 62026-1616

- 7. All exchanges under this MOU shall comply with all Federal, State, and Local laws of the United States of America and all Turkish, Provincial, and District laws of Turkey. Any legal disputes regarding this MOU shall be construed and enforced for all purposes according to and governed by the English language version of this document and the laws of the State of Illinois, USA.
- 8. The Parties hereby represent that they have full power and authority to enter into this MOU and perform their respective obligations and duties hereunder, and do not know of any contracts, agreements, promises or undertakings that would prevent the full execution and performance of such obligations and duties.
- 9. This MOU is effective until 2018. Either party may terminate this MOU for any reason with ninety (90) days advance written notice to the other party. Any student enrolled or faculty members visiting the University at the time of termination shall be given an opportunity to complete their studies and visits.
- 10. This MOU may be amended only by written amendment signed by both parties.
- 11. This MOU and its attachments constitute the entire agreement between the parties pertaining to the subject herein and supersedes all prior written or verbal agreements between the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum of Understanding on the date first written below.

On Behalf of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University Governing Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

By:

Name: Julie Furst-Bowe, Ed.D.

Title: Chancellor - SIUE

Date:

APPROVED:

Name: Glen W. Poshard, Ph. D.

Title: President - SIU

Date:

Karabuk University

By:

Name: Prof. Dr. Burhanettin UYSAL

Title: Rector of Karabuk University

Date: