RCC, SOU, and OT to establish exchange partnership with Chinese university

A delegation of officials from a Chinese university will visit Medford to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), establishing a relationship with Rogue Community College, Southern Oregon University, and Oregon Tech.

Leaders of Shijiazhuang University and officials from the three schools will meet April 27, 8:30 a.m. at the RCC/SOU Higher Education Center.

The agreement arranges for undergraduates to study at their domestic school for the first two to three years and at the partner school for a following one to two years.

“We are pleased to extend a warm southern Oregon welcome to our Chinese partners,” said RCC President Peter Angstadt. “This arrangement will benefit students from the United States and China and build a strong connection between our schools.”

The MOU will pave the way for Chinese students to attend RCC for one year of orientation instruction and transfer to OT or SOU for a bachelor of science degree. The initial articulations for Chinese university freshmen will be engineering/mathematics, biology/pre-health, and possibly liberal arts.

Students at Shijiazhuang University with English proficiency can apply for four terms of general education at RCC, culminating in an Associate of General Studies degree and transfer to OT or SOU.

RCC is developing a curriculum plan for 20-40 students that has cohort classes and also encourages the students’ integration into open enrollment.

After signing the agreement the six-member delegation from China will travel to Oregon Tech in Klamath Falls.

Shijiazhuang University is located in Shijiazhuang, the capital city of Hebei, a province in northern China.

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