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To Whom It May Concern

SRUC-Oatridge Campus and Study Abroad Academic Credit for U.S. Students

All courses and units delivered by the Scottish Rural College-Oatridge Campus (www.sruc.ac.uk/oatridge) are assessed, verified and accredited by SQA, the Scottish Qualification Authority, (www.sqa.org.uk). SQA is the only National Awarding Body and therefore is the paramount organization in terms of status. Upon completion of studies, each student is mailed an official SOA Certificate (transcript).

The Equine and Ecology Summer Schools were created as study abroad programs for U.S. students with the assistance of Adelante Abroad, LLC and faculty at the University of Arkansas. The Equine Summer School was established in 2009 though the cooperation of various faculty members at the University of Arkansas and the administration and staff at SRUC-Oatridge Campus. Faculty at the University of Arkansas evaluated the academic content and selected two courses (modules), Equine Fitness and Equine Anatomy and Physiology for the Equine Summer School, and Conservation Skills and Habitat Management for the Ecology Conservation Summer School.

Working with the University of Arkansas Registrar's Office, the University of Arkansas Director of Graduate and International Recruitment and Admissions reviewed the credentials of SRUC-Oatridge Campus, the Scottish Qualification Authority and approved credit for the two equine courses on March 25, 2010. A similar process was followed in 2012 for evaluating the two courses for the Ecology Summer School. For successfully completing the equine courses or ecology units, the UA awarded transfer credit as follows:

- 1. DP1G 34 Equine Anatomy and Physiology, 4.0 UA credit hours. Transfer as Animal Science ANSC 299
- 2. DP1J 34 Equine Fitness, 2.0 UA credit hours. Transfer as Animal Science ANSC 299T
- 3. F43134 Conservation Skills, 4 UA credit hours.UA equivalent course ENSC 3263, Environmental, Soil and Water Conservation w/lab component.
- 4. F34M35 Habitat Management, 4 UA credit hours. UA equivalent course, ENSC 3223 Ecosystem Assessment

Although other U.S. universities may award credit differently, all students who have successfully completed the courses have earned transfer credit from the following universities: Auburn University, Clemson University, Gettysburg College, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, Midway College, Montana State University, Otterbein University, Scripps College, Southern Illinois University, Towson University, University of Arkansas, University of California at Davis, University of Idaho, University of Kentucky, University of Missouri, William Woods University and Ryerson University (Canada).

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