## A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY ATSU

## The Student Government Association (SGA-MO) J.S. Denslow Student Osteopathic Research Award Endowed Gift Agreement

Name:

This endowment shall be known as The Student Government Association (SGA–MO) J.S. Denslow Student Osteopathic Research Award at A.T. Still University (ATSU) – Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCOM).

Establishment:

This fund was established on August 8, 2002, by the Student Government Association (SGA) of the Missouri campus and was made possible through gifts from SGA, student organizations, alumni, students, faculty, and others. This endowment is being amended to ensure compliance with federal regulations and current ATSU policies. Each year after the close of ATSU's fiscal year, the donor or other named individuals, will receive an annual report on the activity relative to the endowment. The annual fund report should be sent to:

SGA President – Missouri Campus c/o SGA Advisor(s) ATSU Kirksville, MO

Purpose:

The purpose of this endowment fund is to provide a financial award to a selected ATSU – KCOM student(s) who conducts osteopathic research.

Funding:

This fund has obtained the minimum amount required (\$10,000) to be a named endowment according to ATSU policies.

Anyone having an interest in supporting this fund, either now or in the future, is invited to make contributions. Contributions may be made in the form of current gifts or deferred gifts.

Management:

A. T. Still University (ATSU) will at its sole discretion manage and invest the funds. The amount of income available each year for SGA—MO students osteopathic research awards will be dependent upon the endowment fund total principal and performance of the fund's investments. Current University investment policy, which is subject to change by the University, directs that eighty percent (80%) of annual earnings will be made available for distribution and twenty percent (20%) of the annual earnings will be reinvested into the fund principal. This allows the fund to grow, thus producing increased financial support in future years while adjusting for inflation.

Award Applications:

Annually the ATSU Office of Student Financial Services, in conjunction with the SGA-MO President, shall notify the student body in writing by October 1 that funds to support KCOM student osteopathic researchers may be available for award(s). Award applications are available from the ATSU Office of Student Financial Services.

Selection Criteria:

In administering the fund, ATSU will distribute the amount available for awarding in accordance with the following criteria:

- A. Applicant(s) must be duly enrolled at ATSU KCOM in the year the award is made and be considered in good academic standing (i.e., not on academic probation).
- B. The ATSU Student Scholarship and Awards Committee (consisting of ATSU faculty and staff), in consultation with the SGA-MO, shall select award recipient(s) based on the following:
  - 1. All applicant(s) must complete and submit an award application.
  - Applicant(s) must submit a research proposal based on independently conducting or participating with an ATSU faculty member in the administration of osteopathic research.
  - 3. Applicant(s) must submit the name of the faculty advisor supervising the project, a brief statement for the research plan, methodology, expected financial expenses, and the goals and objectives for the research project.
  - 4. Applicant(s) must secure a statement and signature from a faculty advisor acknowledging their involvement and commitment for the duration of the project.
  - 5. Applicant(s) who are participating in a fellowship program, regardless of department, must conduct research as defined in his or her proposal separate from their fellowship requirements.
  - 6. All applications, research proposals, and other information must be submitted no later than December 1 each calendar year for consideration.

Awards:

- A. Award recipient(s) will be selected by January 31 each calendar year.
- B. The number and amount of awards given annually will be dependent on the amount of funds available.
- C. The ATSU Student Scholarship and Awards Committee, in cooperation with the SGA-MO, shall notify recipient(s) of the award(s) immediately following selection with an official letter of award. The Office of Student Financial Services shall request the awarded funds from the ATSU Treasurer's Office and distribute them accordingly.
- D. The funds shall be distributed in two allotments. One-half of the award shall be disbursed upon the date of notification with the remaining one-half to be disbursed six months from the date of notification pending approval of progress report(s).
- E. Applicant(s) can receive funds from this endowment more than once; however, the student must complete the application process for each funding opportunity.
- F. Upon acceptance of the award, award recipient(s) will be required to:

- 1. Submit a project progress report six months after official notification of the award to the OTM Department and SGA Executive Committee.
- 2. Publish the abstract and summary of results of the research project in the A.T. Still Research Institute newsletter.
- 3. Exhibit a research project poster display on the SGA bulletin board for a minimum of one month after completion of the project.
- 4. Submit a biannual progress report to the SGA Executive Committee.
- 5. Complete the project as soon as possible and no later than one month prior to student's graduation date.

Recognition:

The SGA–MO J.S. Denslow Student Osteopathic Research Award Endowment will receive official recognition in all appropriate University publications unless the donor expressly states a desire to forego public recognition. Letters of appreciation from the annual award recipient(s) are encouraged and should be sent to the SGA – Missouri campus.

Amendment:

Except as otherwise provided herein, these guidelines may be amended during the donor's lifetime only by mutual written consent of the donor and ATSU.

When a person, organization, foundation or corporation's activities reflect negatively on ATSU's public image, or are in material conflict with ATSU's mission and/or policies, ATSU has the right to terminate the name even if such name was originally deemed to be in perpetuity.

Alternative Application:

In the event that it becomes apparent at some future date that it is no longer possible for this fund to be used as specified herein, then ATSU will consult with the donor, if possible, and will determine how to utilize the amount available for awards from the fund in a manner that coincides as closely as possible with the donor's original intent. In any such alternate application of the amount available for awards, the endowed fund shall continue to be clearly identified as The SGA–MO Endowment Fund.

Any disputes relating to the application, construction, interpretation, or enforcement of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Missouri and shall be heard, decided and resolved in Adair County, Missouri.

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Endowment agreement revised and executed this 45 day of Oct	, 2010.
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