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## Crowder and MSU Partner to Offer Variety of Programs

Neosho, MO – Crowder College and Missouri State University are working together as educational partners to provide opportunities for students to pursue bachelor degrees while remaining on a Crowder campus.

Crowder students may pursue their bachelor degrees as follows:

- B.S. in General Business (online)
- B.S. in Nursing (online with a special program for qualified students called "Crowder BSN Scholars")
- B.S. in Elementary Education with Middle School or Early Childhood endorsements
  Available at Neosho, Cassville & Nevada
- B.A.S. in General Agriculture (Neosho)

The "Crowder BSN Scholars Program" provides Crowder students who qualify to take up to five upperdivision MSU classes before they graduate with their Associate of Nursing from Crowder. This opportunity helps the student to complete their degree more quickly.

Crowder College and Missouri State first offered the opportunity for students to pursue their bachelors degrees and remain on the Neosho campus in 2007 with General Agriculture, Business and Elementary Education. Upon the success of these programs Nursing was added as an online option in 2013.

"Partnerships between two schools should have one goal in mind: "what is best for students." The agreements we signed today met that goal. We want to give our students as many high quality options after graduation as possible. When a student graduates from Crowder College with an Associate Degree, he or she needs to have a variety of options on moving right in to a Bachelor Degree programs. MSU fills that need without causing life changes for students," state Glenn Coltharp, Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Missouri State has Outreach Coordinator, Larry Nichols, located on the Crowder Neosho campus. He is available to work with students transferring to the university. He may be reached at 417.455.5757.



Dr. Jennifer Methvin, Crowder College President and Dr. Frank Einhellig, Provost, MSU, sign an agreement providing multiple educational opportunities for students to pursue their bachelor degrees while remaining on a Crowder College campus. The agreement includes Buisness, Nursing, Elementary Education and General Agriculture. This partnership began in 2007 with expansion to multiple sites over the last several years.