

# SWOSU & Mexico University Sign Academic Agreement

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SWOSU President John Hays (left) and Professor Francisco Lopez recently met to discuss the academic exchange agreement between SWOSU and the Universidad De La Salle Bajio of Mexico. The agreement is SWOSU's sixth one with various countries.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford recently signed another agreement of academic exchange, but this time the university is closer to the United States.

SWOSU and the Universidad De La Salle Bajio in Mexico recently finalized the agreement. The Mexican university is located in Leon, Guanajuato.

This is SWOSU's sixth agreement of academic exchange with various countries, including Taiwan, South Korea, Costa Rica and Jordan (two universities).

The Universidad De La Salle Bajio was founded in 1968 and joined the La Salle group in 1989. La Salle is considered the largest education community in the world, present in 82 countries.

The first exchange of students and faculty is expected to begin in the spring of 2010 and the agreement is for three years. Dr. Radwan Al-Jarrah, dean of the SWOSU College of Arts & Sciences, helped finalize the agreement between the two universities.

The agreements provide opportunities for both students and faculty at SWOSU.

The international exchanges are part of SWOSU's strategic plan that by 2010, SWOSU students will be better prepared to live in an increasingly global, diverse, and technological society.

SWOSU has locations in Weatherford and Sayre. The university has 5,100 students.

For more information about the international programs, go to [www.swosu.edu/academics/int-exchange/index.asp](http://www.swosu.edu/academics/int-exchange/index.asp) or contact Al-Jarrah at [radwan.aljarrah@swosu.edu](mailto:radwan.aljarrah@swosu.edu) or 580.774.7152.