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AmeriCorps*VISTA program hosted by University of Missouri – St. Louis

SPRINGFIELD — The University of Missouri - St. Louis recently received approval from Missouri Campus Compact and the Corporation for National and Community Service to participate in a statewide AmeriCorps*VISTA program. A VISTA member will be placed on campus to assess community needs and to help faculty members build civic engagement through service-learning.

The program, slated to begin in July, will link relevant courses at participating campuses with community agencies that intend to eradicate poverty and assist single, head-of-household females with children under the age of 18 living in the home. The project will span three years on each campus.

“This project has the ability to positively impact poverty in Missouri while instilling the value of service to others in Missouri’s next generation of leaders,” said Melissa Mace, Missouri Campus Compact executive director.

Missouri Campus Compact is affiliated with Campus Compact and is a member organization of college and university presidents established to strengthen civic engagement partnerships between Missouri’s postsecondary institutions and the communities they serve.

For more information about the University of Missouri – St. Louis’s AmeriCorps*VISTA program, contact Peggy Cohen at 314.516.5308.

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