

Report on visit to the University of Missouri

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the UM-UWC exchange program for making it possible for me to visit UM in March 2017.

The following report uses the questions provided in the UM-UWC exchange template:

- i. What were the objectives of your visit?

The objectives of my visit were the following:

1. To share information about the implementation of multimodal literacies and pedagogies and how these are valued and promoted at the University of Missouri

There is nothing I would change at the moment about this programme it provides opportunities for both students and academics to collaborate, study and research together capabilities.

vii. Did you encounter any notable problems during your visit?

The only problem I had was with the air ticket which had been canceled for some reason and I had difficulty getting access to the ticket at each airport on the way there and back.

viii. How will your visit contribute to strengthening and improving programs at UWC?

The visit was specifically made to contribute towards Prof Vivienne Lawa literacies in higher education pedagogies. The project will therefore capacitate academics who take part in the professional development course on multimodal pedagogies in higher education and those who come to the two-day colloquium on multimodal literacies. It is envisaged that some scholarship is also developed from the project regarding multimodal pedagogies.

ix. Given the opportunity to participate in the exchange again, would you do so?

Yes I would definitely participate in an exchange again.

x. What, if anything, about your exchange experience surprised you?

I was surprised about how large the Columbia campus of UM is and how large a city St Louis is. I was also surprised that UM was the only university which has developed an undergraduate degree in Digital Storytelling.