

National University System Renews Partnership with Pearson LearningStudio

Pearson's learning management system to power online learning for the National University System and customers of Spectrum Pacific Learning Company.

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Pearson, a global leader in education, technology and services, today announced that Spectrum Pacific Learning Company (SPL), an affiliate of the National University System, has extended its agreement with Pearson eCollege for the next five years.

Under the agreement, the National University System will continue to use Pearson's learning management system - Pearson LearningStudio - to power its online programs, with plans to expand its use of the technology to include on-campus programs. The National University System will continue to use Pearson LearningStudio's Academic Enterprise Reporting suite to monitor and perform trend analysis of its online course offerings. Additionally, the National University System plans to begin using Pearson LearningStudio's Learning Outcome Manager functionality to track student achievement of learning objectives in the classroom.

"The decision to renew our relationship with Pearson was simple," said Cynthia Larson-Daugherty, President, Spectrum Pacific Learning Company, LLC. "In Pearson we have found a trusted educational partner with reliable technology and network security and a 24/7 helpdesk that ensures we have the resources necessary for a successful academic experience for our students, faculty and university system affiliates."

Spectrum and the National University System began using Pearson LearningStudio in 1998. Today, National University, the flagship affiliate of the System, has grown to become the second-largest, private non-profit institution in the state of California, granting more masters degrees to women, Hispanic and African American students than any other single university in California.

"At Pearson, we strive to partner with leading institutions that are driving innovation and access to higher education," said Matt Leavy, CEO of Pearson eCollege. "Together with our technology, the National University System and SPL are providing a superior academic experience for a diverse population."

In addition to serving its own customers, Spectrum Pacific Learning Company serves all National University System affiliates in online teaching and learning, including: National University, John F. Kennedy University, National University International, National University Virtual High School, National University Academy, and WestMed College.



About Pearson eCollege

Pearson eCollege is a trusted and innovative leader in powering personalized online learning programs and a part of Pearson (NYSE: PSO), a global leader in education, technology and services. Pearson eCollege's flagship product - Pearson LearningStudio - represents the next generation in learning management systems and provides a comprehensive, flexible and fully supported cloud computing environment for online personalized learning in higher education. Pearson eCollege's SaaS-based education solutions advance, improve, and measure the teaching and learning experience in a vast range of educational institutions and programs.

About Pearson

Pearson has global-reach and market leading businesses in education, business information, and consumer publishing (NYSE: PSO).

About the National University System

The National University System was established to meet the emerging challenges and demands of education in the 21st century. The System is uniquely aligned to connect a diverse population of students to a network of innovative educational programs that are relevant to their lives, careers, and the marketplace and are delivered in a format that respects competing life priorities. Dr. Jerry C. Lee has served as the System's Chancellor since it was founded in 2001. The affiliates of the System are National University; John F. Kennedy University; National University International; the Division of Pre-College Programs, which includes National University Virtual High School and National University Academy; Spectrum Pacific Learning Company LLC; and WestMed College. Entities related to the System include the Center for Integrative Health, the National University System Institute for Policy Research, and the National University Golf Academy. For more information, visit: <http://www.nusystem.org>.

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