



GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION

Between

HO TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY Ho, Volta Region Ghana

And

SACRED HEART COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

Tirupattur, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India

WHEREAS, both parties are higher education institutions with full legal capacity to establish commitments, and whose mission includes providing quality learning opportunities for its students and communities, as well as promoting academic research;

WHEREAS, both parties consider the promotion and support of teaching, research and community outreach to be of primary importance in the fulfillment of their mission, goals, and objectives;

WHEREAS both institutions consider that increasing opportunities for international cooperation and exchange increases cultural understanding and appreciation;

NOW, THEREFORE, Sacred Heart College, India (hereafter SHC), on behalf of its Management Council, and Ho Technical University (HTU), agree to promote mutual cooperation in Arts and Science according to the following clauses:

FIRST: This general agreement shall establish the criteria under which HTU and SHC will carry out joint collaborative activities of mutual interest.

SECOND: Both parties agree to pursue the following forms of cooperation, within areas that are mutually acceptable:

- a) Study tours to India and vice versa to Ho Technical University
- b) Exchange of graduate or undergraduate students
- c) Twinning/Dual Degree Programs
- d) Summer School Programs
- e) Exchange of academic personnel





- f) Cooperative development activities
- g) Cooperative design of courses, conferences, symposia or academic programs
- Exchange of academic or scientific materials and publications of common interest;
 and/or
- i) Any other mutually agreed activity that would benefit both the parties.

THIRD: all proposed projects, programs or work agreements including anything contemplated under a) through i) above, arising from this General Agreement, will be implemented as "Specific Agreements" of collaboration after they have been agreed upon and duly authorized by the official representatives of SHC and HTU.

FOURTH: All cooperative activities associated with academic courses and programs must be consistent with the accreditation requirements of both institutions. Consistency with accreditation principles will be included in all Specific Agreements associated with the implementation of academic course and programs. This inter-institutional General Agreement does not imply the extension of accreditation from one institution to the other.

FIFTH: Any student, academic personnel, faculty or scholar exchanges associated with this General Agreement must comply with all the legal and administrative requirements, including immigration, insurance and other applicable requirements, of the home and host institution. The specific requirements for the visits, as well as the financial implications for each institution must be approved in writing by duly authorized personnel at each institution. The above reference exchanges must be established through a separate Specific Agreement.

SIXTH: The parties may, jointly or separately, endeavor to obtain financial resources from other institutions, government agencies and national and international organizations for the development of activities associated with the implementation of any Specific Agreement.

SEVENTH: The present General Agreement will become valid upon signature by both parties and shall remain in effect for a period of three years from its effective date. It will be automatically extended by periods of two years unless either party informs the other party in writing three months before expiry that it does not seek an extension. The agreement may be amended at any time by a written agreement signed by authorized representatives of both parties.





EIGHTH: This General Agreement may be terminated by either party upon three (3) months prior written notice to the other party; however, termination shall not affect the implementation of activities that have already commenced pursuant to a Specific Agreement. Those Specific Agreements will remain in effect until the required associated activities are completed.

By signing this document, the parties acknowledge that they have reviewed and understand the content and extent of each of its clauses, and agree to carry out the actions necessary to implement it.

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