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AGREEMENT FOR A STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

by and between

SRINAKHARINWIROT UNIVERSITY

and the

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the University of South Florida (USF) Board of Trustees, a public body corporate, located in Tampa, Florida, United States of America, and Srinakharinwirot University (SWU), an institution for higher education, located in Bangkok, Thailand. The parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The purpose of the exchange program is to promote international friendship and world peace by stimulating and supporting intercultural activities and projects between students from the United States and Thailand.
- Each institution, conforming to the admission requirements of the host institution, shall assume full responsibility in the assessment and selection of qualified candidates. The host institution shall then respect the selection so made. The selection process shall consist of stringent evaluation of the student's previous academic record, drive, motivation, and overall potential to succeed in an international academic environment.
- 3. Each institution shall accept two students from the other party on the basis of the home institution's recommendation and according to the following guidelines:
 - a. USF shall accept full-time medical students in its MD program for one or more fourweek rotations in their final year of medical school. Students may only take 4th year elective courses.
 - b. SWU shall accept full-time medical students in its MD program for one or more four-week rotations in their final year of medical school. Students may only take 4th year elective courses.
 - c. Either institution may send students for one or more four-week rotations. This shall involve a maximum of 10 students per academic year and only 2 students maximum at any one time.
- 4. While each institution shall try to exchange the same number of students in a given year, neither party is required to do so.
 - a. If/when either party is not able to designate any qualified students, it will <u>not</u> necessarily preclude the other party's sending their exchange students, since both institutions agree to the operation of a credit system.
 - b. Under the credit system, every effort will be made to correct any imbalance through accepting additional students or restricting numbers of students accepted within three years of the creating of that imbalance.
 - c. Any attempts to redress imbalances through modifications of agreed upon numbers of participants must be negotiated in advance and in writing by the responsible parties at both institutions.
 - d. In the event this agreement is terminated as provided for in item 13, below, the institution having hosted the larger number of students to that point shall be entitled to rectify any imbalance by sending additional students to the other institution under the terms of this agreement until the imbalance is rectified. This rectification should be accomplished within two years of the date this agreement is officially terminated.
- 5. All exchange students shall be subject to the same academic regulations regarding class performance as pertaining to regularly enrolled students at the receiving institution. All exchange students shall, within reasonable limits, attempt to represent their home institution and country to the best of their ability (i.e. speaking to clubs, church groups, etc.).
- 6. Evaluation and grading. Student evaluation will be completed at the host institution with the grade determined by the parent University.
- 7. Tuition and other fees shall be arranged as follows:
 - a. Each student shall pay tuition and other required fees to his/her home institution and will be exempted from payment of tuition and other required fees at the host institution.
 - b. Each student shall be responsible for his/her own room and board fees at the host institution.

- 8. Housing shall be arranged by the parent school or the individual student.
- 9. Each exchange student must provide his/her own transportation to/from the port-of-entry of the host country as well as the domestic transportation from/to the port-of entry to/from the depot nearest to the receiving institution. The following expenses shall also be borne by each student: living expenses during extended academic recess (i.e. holidays, winter and spring break periods, etc.), passport expenses, excess baggage shipment and storage, independent travel and such personal expenses as telephone charges, books, etc.
- 10. Minor illnesses may be treated at the receiving institution. However, hospital and other medical expenses are the sole responsibility of each student. Each student must purchase insurance to cover medical contingencies while in the host country. Students coming on exchange to USF must purchase health insurance through the Student Health Services at USF regardless of any other insurance in force. Students are also required to attend Orientation and to check in at International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) upon arrival at USF.
- 11. Violation of local laws committed in the host country shall subject the exchange student to immediate withdrawal of his/her academic sponsorship and to immediate termination of the exchange program. Such termination may also negatively affect the student's immigration status.
- 12. The academic record of each student's academic performance shall be sent directly to his/her home institution at the conclusion of each semester. However, it shall be the sole responsibility of the home institution to decide how many credit units said student might actually receive on courses taken at the host institution.
- 13. This agreement shall continue for an indefinite period, but may be terminated by either USF or SWU by official, written notification duly signed by the presiding officer of the notifying party. This notice of termination must be received by the other party no later than January 31st of the year in which the termination is to become effective.

In witness of the terms of this agreement, our signatures are affixed:

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Final approval for the University of South Florida Board of Trustees, a public body corporate, by:

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AGREEMENT FOR COLLABORATION

by and between Srinakharinwirot University and The University of South Florida

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Purpose:

- 1) Recognizing the importance of mutual collaboration and the contributions to society made by institutions of higher education, both parties share a desire to develop mutually strengthening and enriching international educational and research experiences for both faculty and students.
- 2) The primary purpose of this agreement is to provide a general basis within which specific cooperative activities of an academic and cultural nature may be implemented involving faculty and/or students from USF and SWU.
- 3) Faculty and researchers in various disciplines will be encouraged to develop contacts and propose collaborative projects. Each project proposal will be considered on its merits and on the availability of funds. The two institutions will seek internal and external sources for the support of programs and exchanges, which may be developed as a result of this agreement.
- 4) As specific projects in education or research are developed, each will require a written Memorandum of Understanding (or a Contract) which will set forth the terms and conditions of the project(s). These Memoranda or Contracts will be approved and signed by appropriate administrators at each institution.

General Provisions:

- 1. All research and other collaborative activities conducted pursuant to this agreement shall be conducted in accordance with the laws and regulations appropriate to each institution. In the case of USF, these are the laws of the United States of America, the State of Florida, and the rules and regulations of the Florida Board of Governors and the University of South Florida. In the case of Srinakharinwirot University, these are the laws of Thailand and the rules and regulations of the Srinakharinwirot University.
- 2. This agreement shall take effect when executed by both parties and shall terminate at the end of three years. The agreement shall be automatically renewed for additional five-year periods unless either party provides the other with written notice that it wishes to terminate. Notice of termination by either party must be given at least 90 days in advance. This agreement may be modified by written agreement of both parties at any time. Nothing within this agreement shall create any financial obligation or cause any hardship to either party.
- 3. At USF, modification to this agreement shall be initiated through the Office of the Dean of International Affairs, and at SWU, through the Office of International Relations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed two copies of this instrument, each of which shall be considered an original.

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