INTERNATIONAL (DUAL DEGREE) PROGRAM AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, USA

AND

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTION, CITY, COUNTRY

ACADEMIC PURPOSE
Names of the units/departments and colleges (if applicable) entering into the partnership
Statement of philosophy/purpose of the agreement.

PERIOD OF AGREEMENT
This agreement will be in force for a period of five (5) years from the latest date appearing
below. It may be renewed for additional periods of five years if both institutions, acting
independently, agree in writing to renew it at least six (6) months before it expires.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS
Each year, International Institution will send # of level students to OSU for Program X.
International Institution students will arrive at the beginning of their year (#) year of studies at
International Institution.

PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

a) The respective departments, schools or disciplines of both Universities will initiate each
program;

b) The institution through which an applicant first applies is considered the “home”
institution, whereas the institution to which the student will travel to undertake part of
their studies in the “host” institution;

c) In this arrangement a student will have a faculty advisor at each university with both
serving on the X Degree committees. The student will complete a single
thesis/dissertation which both parties agree to accept towards their graduate requirements.
The student’s dissertation/thesis will be based on ..... 

d) Enrollment Conditions at Ohio State:

Appropriate for enrollment in the Graduate School and the X Degree Graduate Program
at The Ohio State University (OSU). International Institution students need to obtain

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financial support sufficient to cover tuition and fees and the minimum annual Graduate Associate stipend established by the OSU Office of Graduate and Professional Admissions. Consent from an OSU faculty member to serve as the International Institution student’s thesis/dissertation Advisor is needed if the student is supported by fellowship, scholarship or personal funds;

While the admission criteria vary from year to year, the general standards for program admission include a GPA of 3.5 or better and quantitative GRE scores of at least 151. Students will also need to meet the TOEFL requirements set by OSU and College of X (currently at IBT 100);

e) Enrollment Conditions at International Institution;
   OSU students need to meet admission criteria that are appropriate for enrollment in the X Program at International Institution;

f) Students must study a minimum of Number (#) years at each university although the Number years do not need to be consecutive. The schedule, however arranged, must allow the students to meet the degree requirements of each institution.

Responsibilities of The Ohio State University are as follows:
1. To recruit and pre-select OSU students for the X program. This must be done to ensure proper admission into International Institution;
2. To evaluate students pre-selected by International Institution for admission into the Dual X program at OSU;
3. To inform International Institution of admission results of pre-selected students;
4. To advise admitted International Institution students about academic and cultural expectations, OSU traditions, and U.S. nonimmigrant regulations;
5. To register admitted International Institution students at OSU starting with the first (1st) semester of their enrollment in the program;
6. To provide International Institution with information on courses their students need to take for their degree. Each International Institution student will have an advisor to facilitate this process;
7. To inform the incoming students of all student benefits, including health insurance requirements and availability; and
8. To provide International Institution one (1) official final transcript describing the student’s academic performance.

Responsibilities of the International Institution are as follows:
1. To recruit and pre-select International Institution students for the Dual X program. This must be done to ensure proper admission into OSU;
2. To forward the applications of pre-selected students to OSU for approval and admission before the required deadline;
3. To administer pre-program orientation of student participants;
4. To ensure that students who are admitted to the program take essential courses;
5. To advise OSU of any circumstances that may affect the students’ stay abroad (e.g. known medical problems);
6. To advise OSU students about academic and cultural expectations at International Institution;
7. To inform the incoming students of all student benefits, including health insurance requirements and availability; and
8. To provide OSU one official final transcript describing the student’s academic performance.

Responsibilities of the students are as follows:
1. To pay all tuition and fees for attending OSU and International Institution not covered by research program sponsorship, fellowship or scholarship;
2. To purchase required Ohio State health insurance and to pay medical costs;
3. To obtain an appropriate student visa for degree status at OSU
4. To pay for books, living expenses and any other costs;
5. To pay the cost of transportation to and from OSU and International Institution;
6. To follow the academic rules and guidelines of International Institution and The Ohio State University as outlined below;
7. To make an earnest effort to be successful as a student under the rules and guidelines of each institution.

g. All students are subject to the rules of the host institution while they are attending that institution. While attending International Institution, OSU students are subject to the academic rules of International Institution and vice versa.

h. Students must satisfy the appropriate requirements to receive the X Degree from both institutions,

i. [Candidacy] and thesis/dissertation committees should include appropriate faculty representation from each institution. Examinations should be held at the student’s home institution with full committee participation. Committee members from the host institution can participate by videoconferencing. A unanimous vote of all committee members is required for a satisfactory decision.

j. The thesis/dissertation should be written in English with a copy of the final approved version submitted per the respective guidelines of each institution.

k. X diploma will be awarded from each institution once all respective degree requirements have been satisfactorily completed.
l. **FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS**
   Students are expected to pay tuition and fees for attending OSU and International Institution not covered by research program sponsorship, fellowship or scholarship.

m. **MODIFICATION**
   The parties may change or modify the terms of this Agreement only by written amendment signed by the parties.

n. **NONDISCRIMINATION**
   The parties agree that no person is excluded from participation under the terms of this Agreement on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, or creed.

o. **TERMINATION**
   Currently enrolled students whose study extends beyond the Termination Date of a Dual Degree agreement shall be allowed to complete his or her program of study.

p. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND PUBLICATION RIGHTS**
   Each party reserves the right to publish the results of the collaborative research deriving from this program. Before submission for publication, however, each party shall notify the other of its intention to publish, and shall submit the manuscript to the other party for review and comment. The reviewing party shall have thirty (30) days from receipt of the manuscript to present any written comments to the other party. The reviewing party’s comments shall be given due consideration by the other party. The publication of the results may be delayed at the reviewing party’s written request for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days if it contains disclosure of an invention(s) on which either party desires to file a United States or foreign patent. It is understood that in no case can this provision for delay of publication cause a delay in the normal academic progress of a graduate student of either party with respect to preparation and submission of a graduate thesis or dissertation. Any ownership of inventions will be determined pursuant to applicable patent laws.

q. **EXPORT CONTROL**
   It is recognized and understood that this Agreement is subject to all applicable U.S. export control laws and regulations controlling the transfer of technical information or items out of the U.S. The transfer of certain technical information or items may require a license from the U.S. Government. All parties must comply with all applicable export control laws and regulations and no party may export or allow the export or re-export of any information or item when to do so would constitute a violation of those laws or regulations.

r. **GENERAL CONDITIONS**
   This agreement is subject to all general conditions regulating Memoranda of Agreement established by The Ohio State University. The agreement cannot be subject to Binding
Arbitration. It shall be governed by, construed, enforced and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio applicable to agreements made and to be performed entirely within such State, without giving any effect to any conflicts or choice of laws principles which otherwise might be applicable. Any action or proceeding against any of the parties hereto relating in any way to this Agreement or the subject matter hereof shall be brought and enforced exclusively in the competent courts of Ohio, and the parties hereto consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in respect of such action or proceeding.

SIGNATURES

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