

***Memorandum of Understanding***  
***between***  
***Prince of Songkla University***  
***and***  
***Casey Institute of Technical and Further Education***

**RECITALS**

- A. Prince of Songkla University (PSU) was the first university to be located in the southern region of Thailand. Planned as a multi campus institution, the university was established in 1967 for the purpose of extending educational opportunities for tertiary education throughout the South of Thailand thereby raising the general educational level of the country and supporting regional development.

The underlying principle of the university is to act as a centre of academic excellence and as a source for technical expertise, enabling it to service the growing needs of the region as well as playing a significant role within the international academic community.

- B. Casey Institute of Technical and Further Education (Casey) is a large Government Institution that offers an extensive range of courses to over 25,000 students from both Australia and overseas. The Institute is renowned for providing high quality programs and in 1994 gained Quality Assurance Certification to the International Standard ISO 9002. Casey has also developed a strong relationship with Thailand over a number of years based on:

- the recruitment of Thai students to Australia
- the employment of Thai staff at Casey to ensure that Thai students adjust to studying and living in Australia
- the successful completion of a range of training projects in Thailand in the areas of English Language, Hotel and Tourism, Polymer Technology, Engineering and Teacher Education and Training

Apart from having a close association with Industry (both in Australia and overseas), Casey jointly conducts double award programs with Monash University that enable students to study a university degree and a TAFE diploma.

- C. The parties agree that mutual benefits can be derived by bridging their two institutions, particularly through achieving close links between their scholars, students and personnel.
- D. Both parties share the strong conviction that mutual understanding among people can be promoted through the establishment of an English Language Centre of Excellence (ELCE).
- E. The parties agree to establish the "ELCE" at the Phuket campus of PSU as an academic joint venture.
- F. The parties agree that the "ELCE" will provide high quality courses and training programs (the "service") of international standard to:
- a) highschools students preparing to study overseas (Australia, United Kingdom or United States of America)

- b) students wishing to meet entry requirements for PSU, Phuket campus
  - c) international students wishing to undertake English language studies at PSU.
  - d) persons wishing to upgrade their English Language Skills for the hotel, tourism and business sectors in Phuket and Southern Thailand.
- G. The parties agree that a separate Agreement to be known as the "Rules of Operations of the "ELCE" will be prepared and signed within 30 days hereof. All matters pertaining to the rights and obligations of both parties (including profit sharing) and details of operations (including administration, academic functioning, financial control, bookkeeping and reporting) will be included in the Rules of Operations of the "ELCE" and which may be changed by mutual consent in writing.
- H. The parties agree that the "ELCE" should become an IELTS Testing Centre for Phuket and that they will co-operate to achieve this as soon as possible.

**THE PARTIES AGREE:**

1. that the "ELCE" is an academic joint venture, established as a separate profit centre within PSU. As such the "ELCE" has no official office associated with its administration.
2. that as a profit centre, the "ELCE" will be evaluated and measured in terms of its profit. Each institution will receive its equal share of profits annually.
3. the administration of the centre is to be undertaken jointly by PSU and Casey.
4. Casey will provide all aspects of the academic functioning of the centre with support from PSU.
5. the term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be for five(5) years.
6. this Memorandum of Understanding is effective as of the date of signing by the Chief Executive Officer of each party.
7. this Memorandum of Understanding may be amended at any time as indicated by mutual consent in writing.
8. this Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either party by provision of written notice not less than one year prior to the desired termination date. In the event of termination, both parties agree that all continuing obligations students, staff, funding bodies or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of termination

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