

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

**Between**

**Prince of Songkla University**

**And**

**Thaksin University**

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The Prince of Songkla University (PSU) of Thailand and Thaksin University (TSU) also of Thailand believe that mutual benefits can be derived by bridging their two universities and achieving a closer relationship by linking their scholars, students and personnel. Both universities share a strong conviction that mutual understanding among people can be promoted through the establishment of academic links. Therefore, both universities agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

### ***Article I: Principle of Cooperation***

PSU and TSU agree to develop their academic links under the principle of mutual understanding, mutual benefits, common interests, and mutually complementary activities.

### ***Article II: Principle of Cooperation***

- (1) to promote individual contacts among scholars, students, and personnel of both universities,
- (2) to promote links in teaching and research activities,
- (3) to provide opportunities for both staffs and graduate students exchanges and training, however, such exchanges need not be equally reciprocated,
- (4) to develop and to encourage joint research and to assist each other in obtaining external funding from outside sources,
- (5) to develop, when opportunities avails, and joint graduate study program,
- (6) to encourage any other activities that both universities agree to be mutually beneficial.

### ***Article III: Areas of Cooperation***

Areas of cooperation can include any academic or other programs offered by PSU and TSU.

**Article IV: Implementation**

It is understood and agreed that

- (1) Proposals for collaborative projects under this MOU will be submitted through the Chief Executive Officer of each university, and it is recommended that reports should be submitted to each Chief Executive Officer at the completion of each project.
- (2) Each university will continue to pay the regular salary of its staff members during exchanges or visiting programs. However, under specific contracts or secondments, the host university may consider paying a supplemental salary to visiting scholars during the period of their assignment.
- (3) Student mobilization will apply to graduate/post graduate student at both universities.
- (4) Financial arrangements for collaborative research and other such activities will be negotiated separately and will be subjected to the availability of funds.
- (5) The host university is not responsible for covering the costs of medical treatment or hospitalization for the visiting scholars or students.

**Article V: Duration and Termination of the Agreement**

- (1) This MOU is effective from the date of signature by the Chief Executive Officer of each participating university.
- (2) This MOU may be amended at any time as indicated by a written mutual consent.
- (3) This MOU may be terminated by either university through a provision of written notice of termination not less than six months prior to the desired termination date. However, both universities agree that all continuing obligation to students, staffs, funding bodies or other entities must be met in full subsequent to the notice of termination.

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