

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON

AND

SRINAKHARAWIROJ UNIVERSITY

This is a Memorandum of Understanding between Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand (hereinafter referred to as 'VUW') and Srinakharawiroj University (hereinafter referred to as 'SWU'). This memorandum sets out the terms and conditions under which the two universities have agreed to work together to promote academic and research co-operation as well as the exchange of staff, students and information. The spirit of this initiative is intended to develop a closer understanding, cooperation and a durable friendship between the two universities.

In pursuance of this aim, the two institutions, VUW and SWU, have agreed to the following:

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) essentially sets out the general nature of the co-operative agreement between VUW and SWU. It is not intended that the agreement shall give rise to any legal rights or obligations between the two institutions.
2. Neither party assumes any financial obligations arising from the MOU except as mutually agreed under separate schedules jointly established from time to time.
3. Specific projects encompassed by this MOU will be agreed by both parties and documented as attached schedules.

## THE GOAL:

The intended goal of this MOU is to develop and maintain an on-going relationship between the two institutions. The relationship will provide opportunities for faculty members (academic, administrative and professional staff) as well as students to participate actively in the educational programmes of the two Universities. VUW and SWU agree to explore the possibilities of co-operation in areas of mutual interest and benefit.

#### SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES:

Possible activities may include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Joint research activities;
2. Curriculum development which will contribute to the academic and professional development of the two institutions;
3. The exchange of teaching, research, administrative and professional personnel;
4. Exchange of information including, but not limited to, exchange of library materials and research publications;
5. Student exchange programmes.

#### AGREED SUPPORT IN CO-OPERATIVE ACTIVITIES:

In the spirit of the MOU, both partners will provide the appropriate support for agreed initiatives and for participants in joint activities. Each project will be the subject of a separate schedule attached to this Agreement and will detail levels of assistance available and address the expectations of personnel involved.

- Provision for academic, administrative and professional staff exchanges will be made at the invitation of either institution or through individual faculty members applying with the consent of the home University. The planned activity will at all times be subject to the availability of the required financial resources. If a visit or exchange of faculty members takes place, the host institution will facilitate easy access to all appropriate resources to contribute to the success of the visit.
- Each host University will render every assistance with the accommodation required by visiting staff or students under this MOU. Details regarding options and costs will be provided.
- Each host University will provide the appropriate information for visiting staff or students including details of visa requirements, living expenses, academic programmes available and other orientation information both prior to and after arrival.
- Each host University will ensure that visiting staff or students are aware that they will be responsible for the costs of travel, accommodation and living expenses except where otherwise agreed for a specific programme. Where students are pursuing courses as part of an exchange programme negotiated consequent to this agreement, it is anticipated that they will pay fees at their home University prior to departure. Otherwise the fees of the host University will be payable.

COMMENCEMENT AND DURATION OF THIS AGREEMENT:

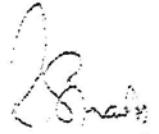
This agreement will come into effect at the time of signing and will remain in force for a period of five years. Following a review by both parties during the fourth year the Memorandum may be extended for a further agreed period. It is further agreed that any decision to allow this MOU to lapse will take into consideration the time needed to complete any projects under way or any exchange visitors completing courses they have commenced.

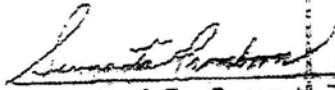
SIGNATURES:

Sign for and on behalf of:

Victoria University of Wellington

Srinakharinwirot University

  
6 April 2008  
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Victoria University of Wellington

  
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