



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY
AND
PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY**



I. Purpose

Through this Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”), the participating universities intend to establish a mechanism to facilitate and develop opportunities for educational cooperation.

II. Participating Universities

- A. Portland State University is a comprehensive research university located in Portland, Oregon, U.S.A. It enrolls approximately 30,000 students annually and teaches courses and conducts research in the liberal arts, the natural and social sciences, and the professions.
- B. Khon Kaen University was established as the major university in the Northeastern part of Thailand in 1964 and has developed into one of the top universities in Thailand. The university’s major mission is to prepare future global citizens to work in a continually changing world. KKU currently has more than 40,000 students studying in 17 faculties, 1 satellite campus, 1 school, and 3 colleges and in 43 International/English programs which cover a wide variety of disciplines.

III. Educational Cooperation

- A. Khon Kaen University and Portland State University desire to encourage educational cooperation through:
- (1) Visits by faculty and students from one university to the other for the purpose of consultation, in research or other educational activities;
 - (2) The enrollment of qualified students from one university in undergraduate and graduates programs at the other university;
 - (3) A sharing of academic publications and scholarly information; and
 - (4) The promotion of other academic activities which enhance the above mentioned goals.
- B. Both universities acknowledge that visits, if any, by faculty and students from one university to the other shall be subject to the entry and visa regulations of Thailand and the United States of America, and shall comply with the regulations and policies of Khon Kaen University and Portland State University.

This MOU is a statement of the current intent and understandings of the participants and is not a binding or legally enforceable agreement. This MOU does not grant any rights to or impose any duties or obligations upon either participating university. This MOU may not be relied upon as a basis for contract by estoppel or serve as the basis for a claim based on detrimental reliance or any other theory.

VIII. Signatures

On behalf of Khon Kaen University

Portland State University

Narawat Warasati
*Narawat Wara-aswapati Charoen
Vice President for International Affairs*

August 25, 2015
Date

Dr. Wongthorn
*Supawatanakorn Wongthanasu
Dean, College of Local Administration*

July 30, 2015
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Ronald S. Tammen
*Ronald Tammen
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7-30-15
Date

Ron L. Witczak
*Ron L. Witczak, Executive Director
Office of International Affairs*

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Date

Stephen Percy
*Stephen Percy
Dean, College of Urban and Public Affairs*

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Date

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- C. Both universities understand that all expenses, if any, including research materials, tuition, international and domestic travel, per diem, honoraria and all other costs, shall be the responsibility of and shall be borne by the sending university or the visiting faculty or enrolling students. However, the host university is encouraged to seek ways to help visiting faculty and students whenever possible.

IV. Responsibility for this MOU

- A. At Portland State University, Ron L. Witczak, Executive Director, Office of International Affairs. The following contact information should be used when giving notices under this MOU.

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- B. At Khon Kaen University, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Supawatanakorn Wongthanavas, Dean, College of Local Administration. The following contact information should be used when giving notices under this MOU.

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V. Effective Date and Duration

This MOU will be operational for five years following the last date of signature below, unless earlier terminated as provided below or extended by a written amendment signed by the participating universities.

VI. Termination

Either university may terminate this MOU without penalty or liability by giving six months' written notice of its intent to terminate to the other university.

VII. Nonbinding Effect