



**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
The Faculty of Education, Khon Kaen University,
in Thailand
And
The Curators of the University of Missouri,
on behalf of the
University of Missouri – Columbia's
College of Education,
in the United States of America**

The Faculty of Education (ED) of Khon Kaen University (KKU), Thailand, and the College of Education (CoE) of University of Missouri, Columbia (MU), United States of America, share the strong conviction that mutual benefits can be derived by linking their two universities in a broad range of activities that promote cooperation in research and education. In furtherance of these goals, both universities agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article I: Principles of Cooperation

ED of KKU and CoE of MU agree to develop their academic links under the principles of mutual understanding, mutual benefits, common interests, and mutually complementary activities.

Article II: Objectives of Cooperation

1. To promote individual contacts among scholars, students, and personnel from both universities;
2. To promote mutually beneficial involvements in teaching, research, and cultural activities;
3. To provide opportunities for faculty, staff, and student exchanges under the principles of reciprocity and flexibility;
4. To develop and encourage joint research, seminars, conferences, workshops, and distance learning opportunities and to assist each other in obtaining external funding from outside sources;
5. To develop, when opportunity avails, joint study abroad programs and faculty development programs;



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6. To encourage any other activities that both universities agree to be of mutual benefit.

Article III: Areas of Cooperation

Areas of cooperation may include any academic or other programs offered by KKU and MU.

Article IV: Implementation

It is understood and agreed that:

1. Proposal for collaborative projects under this MOU will be submitted through the authorized representative of each university, or his/her designee, and it is recommended that reports should be submitted to each authorized representative at the completion of each project.
2. Individual units within the two colleges are encouraged to develop projects that benefit their programs and that are compatible with their strategic interests. The units are expected and encouraged to develop activities that can be supported by their own resources, insofar as possible, and when possible, to seek external funding in support of these relationships.
3. Each university will continue to pay the regular in-country salary of its faculty and staff members on exchange or visiting programs. However, under specific contracts or agreements, the host, unit may consider paying a supplemental stipend to visiting scholars during the period of their assignment and subject to the prevailing tax liabilities in the host country.
4. The ED and CoE of both universities will assist in finding appropriate accommodations for participating students. The ED and CoE at both universities agree that they will, respectively, provide educational fee waivers for the equivalent of one student and/or one faculty member in any given academic year. If there should be an imbalance in a given year, in the following year, the entity having sent more students or faculty members shall refrain from sending students or faculty until the balance is restored. The ED and CoE at both universities may explore other alternatives for redressing an imbalance, provided that the alternative is mutually acceptable.
5. Student exchanges will apply to undergraduate and graduate students at both universities, and may include internships as agreed upon.

6. Financial arrangements for collaborative research, seminars, workshops, conferences, and other such activities will be negotiated separately and will be subject to the availability of funds.
7. Student and scholar exchange participants will have access and may subscribe to health services and clinics offered at the host university. The host university is not responsible for the costs of subscription to health services or for medical treatment or hospitalization for visiting scholars or students. Visiting scholars or students are required to obtain such medical insurance coverage as it is required by the national law or by the policies of the host institution. MU requires that KKU exchange students subscribe to the Student Health Center services and enroll in the mandatory health insurance coverage upon arrival and pay the associated fees. KKU scholars may demonstrate comparable coverage or enroll in the MU student/scholar health insurance program upon arrival.
8. Visas and Immigration Status - Student and scholar exchange participants are responsible for complying with the visa and immigration policies and procedures of the host country and host institution. Students and scholars are responsible for associated costs and fees necessary to obtain the documentation and visas for traveling and engaging in the exchange program in the host country.

Article V: Duration and Termination of the Agreement

1. This MOU is effective as of the date of signature by the authorized representatives of both universities and shall remain in effect for a period of five years.
2. This agreement shall be reviewed at least six months prior to its expiration to determine if it should be renewed for an additional five-year period. Such determination shall be certified by the authorized representatives at both institutions.
3. This MOU may be amended at any time as indicated by written mutual consent.
4. Individual units of the two universities may develop specific sub-agreements that are consistent with the principles and terms of the general agreement. These special sub-agreements must be approved by the unit director and by the authorized representatives of both universities.

5. This MOU may be terminated by either party by written notice of termination not less than six months prior to the desired termination. However, both universities agree that all continuing obligations to faculty, students, and staff, funding bodies or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of termination.

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Possible Collaborations

1. MU helps identify potential teachers for the new International Demonstration Schools
2. MU consults with KKU faculty and graduate students in terms of helping them with publishing
3. MU provides international visiting experience for KKU students and faculty. This could include attending courses or workshops, visiting schools and clinics, or collaborative research internships (i.e., Ph.D. and post doctoral training).
4. Identify MU and KKU faculty in similar fields and begin communication with video-conferencing.
5. KKU provides short-term teaching, leadership, or clinical experiences for MU students, both undergraduate and graduate. Could include MU professor teaching MU and/or KKU students.

Potential Topical Areas

Science (s)

Mathematics

English (TESOL)

Counseling and Guidance

Special Education

Educational Administration/Higher Education

Educational Technology

Research and Evaluation