



**Northern Illinois
University**



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, DEKALB, ILLINOIS, USA
AND
KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY, KHON KAEN, THAILAND**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this twentieth day of September, 2012, by the Board of Trustees of Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, USA, hereinafter referred to as "NIU," functioning through its Division of International Programs, and Khon Kaen University, Khon Kaen, Thailand, hereinafter referred to as "KKU".

The two institutions wish to expand scholarly ties and promote closer academic collaboration and therefore agree as follows:

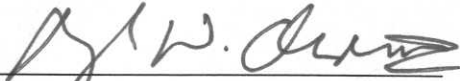
1. Both institutions are united by common interests and objectives in educational exchange, and they wish to maintain and promote channels of communication that permit those mutual exchanges.
2. This agreement will govern the general framework for academic exchanges between NIU and KKU. Individual working agreements, should they arise, will be executed for specific projects under this Agreement.
3. The individual working agreement(s) referred to in paragraph 2 may be developed for, but need not be limited to, the exchange of faculty and students.
4. Each institution will be responsible for the travel costs of its own faculty or officials involved in mutual exchange activities under this agreement.
5. Each institution will take action to make the substance of this Memorandum of Understanding known to its appropriate personnel, and will provide normal and reasonable assistance to such personnel in regard to the administrative details of exchanges and work agreements.

6. Each institution will appoint a liaison. The liaisons will, together, be responsible for tracking cooperative efforts, facilitating mutual assistance, and making an annual report to both institutions of the previous year's joint activities and the initiatives in progress for the next year.
7. This Memorandum of Understanding may be modified or extended by written consent of both parties as provided by its officially authorized representatives; in the case of NIU, by its Associate Provost of International Programs or, if not available, by a designee.
8. This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective on the date above and remain effective for three years from that date. It may be renewed for an additional term of three years by an exchange of letters between the Associate Provost of NIU International Programs and the appropriate official of KKU, as authorized in paragraph 7 above.
9. This agreement does not oblige either KKU or NIU to undertake any financial expenditures or other contractual obligations.
10. The assignment of this agreement to any other party or parties is expressly prohibited except with the written concurrence by the appropriate authorities of both NIU and KKU.
11. This agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties; and any future agreement, understanding, or waiver, to be binding upon the parties must be reduced to writing signed by the parties. Any amendments to this agreement based upon provisions for such amendments already incorporated hereunder can be authorized on behalf of NIU by the Associate Provost of International Programs or designee.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed as and of the day and year first written above.

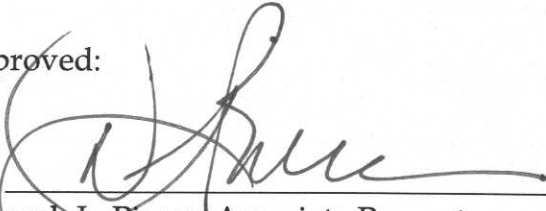
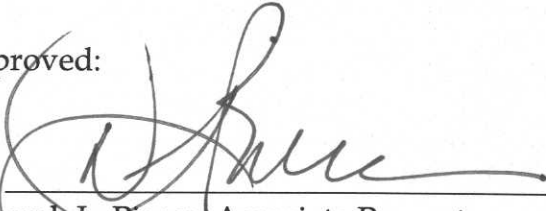
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by: 
Raymond W. Alden III
Executive Vice President and Provost

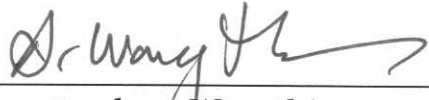
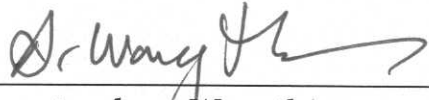
KHON KAEN UNIVERSITY



by:  To
Kittichai Trairatasirichai
President



Approved:


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Deborah L. Pierce, Associate Provost
International Programs

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by: 
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College of Local Administration


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College of Liberal Arts & Sciences


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Peerasit Kamnuansilp, Advisor to the Dean
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