



Memorandum of Understanding

between

Arkansas State University – Jonesboro (ASUJ)

and

Autonomous University of Guerrero (UAGro)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is designed to facilitate the development of collaboration between Arkansas State University – Jonesboro, an agency of the State of Arkansas and an institution of higher education located in the State of Arkansas, United States of America, and Autonomous University of Guerrero in Guerrero state, México. Both recognize that they have a mutual interest in exploring the possibility of collaboration and cooperation in academic, scientific, and other areas.

In order to facilitate these arrangements, the institutions have agreed to sign this MOU which describes the broad scope and terms of their intended relationship.

1. Scope

Areas of possible collaboration include, but are not limited to:

- 1.1. Joint research projects.
- 1.2. Staff exchanges and visits.
- 1.3. English/Spanish programs.
- 1.4. Student exchanges.
- 1.5. Joint activities such as conferences or seminars.
- 1.6. Exchange of information.
- 1.7. Mentorship program.

2. Management

In order to implement this MOU, both parties will designate a Coordinator who will be responsible for general liaison as well as arrangements for specific activities. Any specific activities arising from this MOU will be the subject of separate, written agreements that shall define: the exact nature of the activities to be undertaken; the responsibilities of each institution in fulfilling the agreed objectives; the details of all arrangements for funding; and, where appropriate, the protection of intellectual property rights.

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3. Funding

Both Parties agree to provide funding for collaborative activities to the extent that they deem feasible and of sufficient interest. Both Parties agree to have funding sources to support collaborative activities. Each party is responsible for their own funding.

4. Period of agreement

This MOU shall take effect from the date of the last signature hereto and shall be valid for two (2) years in the first instance. It will be reviewed during the first year of operation, and may be continued by mutual agreement. It may be amended or terminated at any time by mutual agreement. It may be terminated by either Party by giving three a (3) month notice in writing of its desire to terminate to the other Party. In the event that this MOU is terminated, the Parties may make arrangements for completion of activities already underway.

The present agreement is signed in duplicate, each of equal character and value, one in Spanish and one in English by the official representatives of the Parties listed below on the dates indicated. For the purpose of clarity, in the event of any conflict between the English language translation and the Spanish language translation, the English language translation shall control.

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Provost

Autonomous University of Guerrero

Date:

Kelly Damphousse, PhD

Chancellor

Arkansas State University - Jonesboro

Date:

Jose Betancourt Villa, MPS

Coordinator for Cooperation and

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Date:

Thillainatarajan Sivakumaran, PhD

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