

## **Dual Degree Program Agreement**

**Between**

**UNIVERSITY OF TAIPEI**

**And**

**AL-FARABI KAZAKH**

**NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

### **I. Objective**

Based on Memorandum of Understanding between two educational institutions, University of Taipei (hereinafter "UT") and Al-Farabi Kazakh National University (hereinafter "KazNU") agree to develop the Dual Degree Program Agreement, aiming to cultivate international workforce, to provide students with an educational opportunity and to boost their competitiveness in the international workplace.

### **II. Program Name**

This dual degree program is named as "UT- KazNU Dual Degree Program (hereinafter "Program").

### **III. Degree Conferral**

Upon successfully completing the Dual Degree Program, participating students who meet graduation requirements for this Program will be conferred an accredited degrees from UT, Republic of China(Taiwan) and an accredited degrees from KazNU, Republic of Kazakhstan.

### **IV. Eligibility, Application Procedure and Selection Process**

Applicant's qualifications, application procedure, selection process, and quotas will be resolved through the consultation between both institutions. The detailed clauses will be described in the Addendum to this Agreement.

### **V. Length of Study**

- a. A period of study at two institutions required to satisfy the requirements for this Program will be resolved through the consultation between the two institutions.
- b. Students who meet bilateral graduation qualifications may receive bilateral degrees. The academic term for the Joint Dual Degree shall be in accordance with the following regulations:
  1. The academic term for a bachelor's degree shall be no less than three semesters.
  2. The academic term for a master's degree shall be no less than two semesters.
  3. The academic term for a doctorate shall be no less than three semesters.
  4. Students pursuing a bachelor's degree shall study more than 32 months in the two

universities. Students pursuing a master's degree shall study more than 12 months in the two universities. Students pursuing a doctorate shall study more than 24 months in the two universities.

5. The credits and course hours of the two universities shall be combined, but the credits shall separately meet one-third of the total credits.

#### **VI. Articulated Curriculum and Terms of Degree Conferral**

- a. Before the implementation of the Joint Dual Degree, related departments shall prepare the "Agreement of Joint Dual-Degree Cooperation" in Chinese or in English, have it approved by the Department Curriculum Committee, the College Curriculum Committee, and submit it to the University Curriculum Committee and the President.
- b. The Joint Dual-Degree cooperation requires the signatures of both of the cooperating universities to be implemented.
- c. The "Agreement of Joint Dual-Degree Cooperation" shall include the following matters:
  1. Qualifications, requirements and quotas for admission (Qualifications and requirements shall meet the regulations regarding international student enrollment in The University and other related laws and regulations.)
  2. Reviewing or screening methods
  3. Bridging courses offered
  4. Regulations regarding transfer of credits
  5. The duration of study and academic terms in the two universities (shall not violate Article V of this agreement and the regulations).
  6. Agreement for co-advising of master's or doctoral dissertation (This is not required for students pursuing a bachelor's degree.)
  7. Regulations regarding degree conferral
  8. Enrollment, suspension of university, resumption of university, withdrawal and other proceedings.
  9. Related stipulations of charges (including related expense of tuitions, class credits expenses, accommodation, etc)
  10. Acquired social welfare, insurance, and scholarship
  11. Annulment or modification of the Agreement
  12. Other matters

#### **VII. Thesis Supervision**

- a. The supervision of thesis or dissertation will be resolved through the consent between faculty members from both universities. The related details are described in the subsequent agreement on Joint Supervision of Master's (Doctoral) Thesis.

- b. Agreement for co-advising of master's or doctoral dissertation in Chinese or in English shall be signed and approved by the Department Curriculum Committee, the College Curriculum Committee, and be submitted to the University Curriculum Committee and the President.
- c. The Joint Dual-Degree cooperation requires the signatures of both of the cooperating universities to be implemented.
- d. The "Agreement for Co-Advising of Master's or Doctoral Dissertation" shall include the following matters:
  - 1. Student's name
  - 2. Co-advisor's name
  - 3. Way of qualification evaluation
  - 4. Research topic
  - 5. Duration of study and academic terms in the two universities (shall not violate Article V of this agreement and the regulations)
  - 6. Language used in dissertation and abstract writing
  - 7. Composition of the dissertation defense committee and oral defense regulations
  - 8. Regulations regarding degree conferral
  - 9. Publication of Papers and Ownership of Intellectual Property
  - 10. Annulment or modification of the Agreement

#### **VIII. Credit transfer and Acceptance**

- a. Explicitly list the courses run by both institutions as a reference to credit transfer.
- b. The home institution determines whether or not the courses the participants take at the host institution will be granted.
- c. Both institutions need to list the courses as a reference to credit transfer so that participants of this Program can meet graduation requirements.

#### **IX. Matriculation, Registration for Courses, and Grading**

- a. The process of matriculation and registration for courses, and grading shall conform to the academic policies of both institutions.
- b. UT and KazNU staff is responsible for advising students in course registration. An official transcript from the host institution must be received by the home institution upon successful completion of the semester.

#### **X. Tuition and fees**

- a. Participants of this Program are responsible for paying for tuition fees to their home institution. Tuition fees at the host institution are waived.
- b. At the time the UT participants of this Program study at KazNU, they shall also enroll at UT and pay student insurance and Internet access fees.
- c. Dorm fees at the host institution are paid by participants of this Program.

**XI. Health and Injury Insurance Policy**

Participants of this Program are required to purchase health and injury insurance.

**XII. Effectiveness, Modification and Termination**

This Agreement shall take effect on the date of final signature. This Dual Degree Program Agreement may be terminated according to the same terms set forth in Memorandum of Understanding between UT and KazNU. If either institution intends to terminate or to modify this Agreement, a written notice should be given to the other institution six (6) months prior to the desired effective date of termination.

**XIII.** If terms and conditions of this Agreement are not mentioned, the parties to this Dual Degree Program Agreement hereby agree to consult under terms of MOU between both institutions.

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