AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

AND

RITSUMEIKAN UNIVERSITY

AND

RITSUMEIKAN ASIA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

Wishing to enhance relations between the three universities and develop academic and cultural interchange in the areas of education, research and other activities, THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO and the two universities of The Ritsumeikan Trust, RITSUMEIKAN UNIVERSITY and RITSUMEIKAN ASIA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, hereby agree to cooperate and work together towards the internationalization of higher education.

The areas of cooperation will include any program offered at each university, which is determined to be desirable and feasible for the achievement of these objectives. However, any specific program shall be subject to the availability of funds and the mutual agreement of the universities. Such programs may include:

- a. Exchange of faculty members
- b. Exchange of students
- c. Joint research projects
- d. Joint conferences
- Joint cultural programs

The terms of such mutual assistance and cooperation shall be discussed and agreed upon in writing by the appropriate responsible officers of both parties prior to the implementation of any particular program or activity,

In view of expanding international cooperation, these institutions shall seek to identify sources of funding and shall solicit the partner institution to apply for such funding for projects related to student exchange, international internships, faculty development, short-term student projects. Such efforts may include participating in consortia or other multinational networks.

This agreement will be effective from the date of signature for an initial period of five years. Thereafter, it shall be extended automatically for an additional period of five years at each expiration date, unless any party provides written notice to terminate the agreement a minimum of six months prior to the expiration date.

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1. Administration

The student exchange program shall be administered through the office of International Programs and Studies(OIPS) at UNM and the Academic Office at APU.

2. The number of Exchange Students

The university may in principle nominate not more than two undergraduate for exchange each year. The total number of exchange students for the initial three (3) academic year period from the home university shall not in principle exceed the number of exchange students from the host university. After the period of three (3) academic years, if the flow becomes unbalanced in one direction, the flow in that direction of the following academic years may be limited until the balance is obtained.

3. Length of Exchange Period

The normal period of exchange for each exchange student shall be one (1) or two (2) consecutive semesters; provided, however, that this may be extended for one (1) additional semester with the consent of both universities.

5. Language Requirement

Nominees from APU must obtain TOEFL 520(CBT190, IBT 68) and present proof of the score when apply to UNM. TOEFL-ITP is also accepted.

6. Application Materials

Each year, UNM will forward to APU the appropriate documents of its nominee(s) as required by $\times RU \rightarrow \bigcirc APU$ by October 22 for spring admission, and April 22 for fall semester admission. APU will inform UNM of its final admission decision within thirty (30) days of receipt of said documents. Similarly, APU will forward to UNM the appropriate documents of its nominee(s) as required by UNM, by October 1 for spring semester admission or April 1 for fall semester admission. UNM will inform APU of its final admission decision within thirty (30) days of receipt of said documents.

17. Term of Agreement

This Agreement will be effective from the date of signature and shall remain valid for an initial period of five (5) years. Thereafter it shall be automatically renewed each year unless any party provides written notice to terminate the agreement a minimum of six months prior to thee expiration date. The terms of this agreement may be revised and modified through mutual discussion and consent between the two institution This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between UNM \times RU \rightarrow OAPU. No amendments, consent or waiver terms of this agreement shall bind either party unless in writing and signed by both parties.