

**AGREEMENT OF ACADEMIC COOPERATION  
BETWEEN UNIVERSIDAD DISTRITAL FRANCISCO JOSÉ DE CALDAS (UDFJC – COLOMBIA  
AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO (UNM – USA)**

In order to promote cooperation between the Universidad Distrital Francisco José de Caldas - UDFJC, Bogotá, Colombia, and The University of New México - UNM, Albuquerque, NM, USA, and desiring to expand scholarly ties, facilitate academic cooperation, and promote mutual understanding, both parties agree to explore the feasibility of establishing a framework for educational cooperation.

In preparation for establishing a formal framework for future activities, both parties will:

- Consult UDFJC and UNM faculty, departments, centers and colleges to explore potential mutually beneficial technical assistance and training projects, basic and applied research activities, and program development.
- Investigate faculty exchanges and, student exchanges for research, lectures, and other areas that mutually benefit both institutions.
- Investigate the possibility of creating a double degree program between UDFJC and UNM.
- Explore the possibility of developing joint research activities and joint publications that are co-edited by national and foreign publishers in institutional and commercial settings. Through this process, financial resources will be obtained from outside institutions that support specific projects shared by both institutions.

Themes of joint activities and the conditions for utilizing the results achieved and arrangements for other forms of cooperation will be developed mutually for each specific case. Any binding commitments, financial or otherwise, for any activities developed under the auspices of this AGREEMENT will be made only in specific implementation agreements entered into for this purpose at a subsequent date. Any such agreements must include a provision for ownership and commercialization of any intellectual property resulting from any joint research.

The parties agree to consult periodically concerning the status of these explorations and other relevant matters.


This AGREEMENT will become effective upon signing by both parties and shall automatically renew for successive terms of five (5) years each, unless terminated by either party upon written notice.

This AGREEMENT shall be governed by the laws of Colombia with respect to the responsibilities of UDFJC, and the laws of the State of New Mexico, USA with respect to the responsibilities of UNM.

Universidad Distrital Francisco José de Caldas

The University of New Mexico

  
**INOCENCIO BAHAMÓN CALDERÓN**  
Rector

  
**CHAOUKI ABDALLAH**  
Provost

Date

28 MAY 2013

Date

Jan 23/2013