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Agreement of Cooperation

UVIGO – UNM

August 1999

AGREEMENT OF CULTURAL AND ACADEMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNIVERSIDAD DE VIGO, A PUBLIC INSTITUTION, HEREINAFTER DESIGNATED AS UVIGO, REPRESENTED BY DOMINGO DOCAMPO AMOEDO, RECTOR, AND BY MARGARITA ESTEVEZ TORANZO, GENERAL SECRETARY; AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO, HEREINAFTER DESIGNATED AS UNM FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE PRESENT AGREEMENT, REPRESENTED BY DR. WILLIAM C. GORDON, PRESIDENT, AND BY DR. F. CHRIS GARCIA, INTERIM PROVOST, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS AND CLAUSES:

THE UNIVERSIDAD DE VIGO DECLARES:

1. That according to the Organic law issued by decree of the Xunta de Galicia of 1989, the UVIGO is a public institution with full legal ability to enter contractual agreements; that in accordance with the statement above, is involved in higher education, training of professionals and technicians, scientific research, and the study of social problems at a national level.
2. That it is governed by constitutional regulations and, in order to fulfil its goals, promotes social service above any personal interest.
3. That through its Office of International Relations, the UVIGO wishes to enter into an agreement of academic and cultural cooperation with The University of New Mexico through its Latin American and Iberian Institute under the terms and conditions established in the clauses of the present agreement.
4. That in order to carry out and execute the present agreement, Domingo Docampo Amoedo, Rector of the Universidad de Vigo, could designate as his representatives the person or persons considered appropriate to carry out the task.
5. That the UVIGO designates the following address for the effects of the present agreement: Oficina de Relaciones Internacionales, Universidad de Vigo, Rúa do Porto 1, 36201 VIGO, Spain.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO DECLARES:

1. That it is an institution of higher education established by decree by the Territorial Legislature in 1889 with full legal standing. UNM's main responsibility is to serve the citizens of the State of New Mexico by providing educational opportunities at post-secondary and graduate level, to foster and conduct scientific and humanistic research; to give adequate knowledge and understanding to the highest possible number of citizens to become responsible members of a democratic society and to provide other services that increase the general culture and well being of the people.
2. That according to UNM's General Statute, the President is its legal representative.
3. That UNM's organic structure includes the Latin American and Iberian Institute, which has the following functions: to foster, develop and supervise fulfillment of convenios and agreements between academic and administrative units at UNM with Latin American and Iberian counterparts; to jointly integrate appropriate work programs and to supervise their development.
4. That UNM designates the following address for the effects of the present agreement: Latin American and Iberian Institute, The University of New Mexico, 801 Yale NE, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1016. U.S.A.

The UNM and the UVIGO are linked by common academic and cultural interests; therefore each institution wishes to encourage cooperation and exchange in all academic areas of mutual interest and to expand the bases for friendship and cooperative educational exchanges between the country of Spain and the United States of America, through which the UVIGO and UNM set forth the following clauses of agreement:

CLAUSE 1. The purposes of this general agreement include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Development of joint research projects.
2. Organization of joint academic and scientific activities such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia and lectures.
3. Exchange of teaching and research personnel.
4. Exchange of third-year students, accepting the transfer of credit from each respective institution.
5. Exchange of publications and other materials of common interest.
6. Exchange of and cooperation in cultural projects.

Cooperative projects under this general agreement may include any of the academic disciplines represented at either of the two institutions.

Each of the institutions shall offer visiting professors, investigators, and third-year students the same privileges enjoyed by its own professors and students, including access to academic, scientific, and cultural services (library, laboratories, gymnasium).

CLAUSE 2. To fulfill the objectives of this agreement, the UVIGO and UNM will designate an appropriate person at each institution to coordinate the development and supervision of joint activities. Either institution may, through these coordinators, present proposals for activities covered by the present agreement.

The specific details for the proposed activities will be defined in an appendix which will become a part of this general agreement upon signing by the appropriate authorities at both institutions.

Items to be included in the appendix are:

1. Scope of each institution's responsibilities regarding agreed upon activities.
2. Schedules for specific activities.
3. Budgets and financing sources for each activity.
4. Any other items necessary to conduct events in a smooth and efficient manner.

The coordinators will be responsible for evaluating activities covered by this agreement in accordance with the practices of their respective institutions. Letters of agreement will be approved at each institution according to the normal procedures governing the types of events proposed herein.

CLAUSE 3. This agreement has no termination date and will start on the date of its signing by both parties. This agreement may be amended by mutual accord of both institutions.

This agreement may be also terminated by either institution, at any time, provided that the institution wishing to terminate the agreement provide notice in writing of its intention at least three months prior to the termination date.

CLAUSE 4. The final results of collaborative projects will be published jointly; unless there is a prior written agreement that indicates otherwise. The objective of publication is to promote academic and cultural knowledge.

Both institutions declare the following addresses and contact persons for the purposes of the present agreement:

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Rúa do Porto 1, 36201 VIGO, Spain
Dr. Anselmo Seoane, Director, Office of International Relations, ori@uvigo.es

The University of New Mexico
Latin American and Iberian Institute
801 Yale, NE
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Dr. Gilbert W. Merx, Director, Latin American and Iberian Institute, Merx@unm.edu

This Agreement is signed in duplicate and in both English and Spanish versions in the cities of Albuquerque, NM and Vigo, Spain, the 26th day of August, 1999.

FOR THE UNIVERSIDAD DE VIGO



8/26/99
Date

Dr. Domingo Docampo Amoedo
Rector
Universidad de Vigo



8/26/99
Date

Dra. Margarita Estévez Toranzo
General Secretary
Universidad de Vigo

FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO



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