

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

The Faculty of Social Administration

Thammasat University, Thailand

and

Fakultät Soziales und Gesundheit - The Faculty of Social and Health Studies

Kempten University of Applied Sciences, Germany

The Faculty of Social Administration, Thammasat University, Thailand and the The Faculty of Social and Health Studies, Kempten University of Applied Sciences, Germany, inspired by the extensive possibilities offered by international co-operation, wish to establish a framework for a mutually beneficial international collaboration program which will support the promotion of a broader educational experience, goodwill and cultural ties for participating students and faculty, and agree to the terms and conditions in the following Agreement.

Each institution will appoint a faculty member or administrator who will liaise with his or her counterpart for the purpose of managing and implementing the International Academic Cooperation Agreement.

1. INTENDED AREAS OF COOPERATION

The two institutions participating in this Agreement will initially explore the following potential areas of collaboration:

1. Collaborative academic research.
2. Student exchange through internships, summer camps and study visits.
3. Academic staff exchange.
4. Academic participation in joint seminars and roundtable discussions.
5. Exploration of a potential dual degree programme as the partnership strengthens over time.

All publications, research grants or other joint projects that result from the collaboration between the institutions shall recognize the efforts of both institutions.



The terms and conditions of each joint project, including the exchange of faculty and staff, shall be agreed in writing before the beginning of the project.

2. DURATION AND NOTICE

The institutions intend to explore these areas of collaboration commencing on the date of signing of this Memorandum of Understanding for a period of 3 years. Either institution may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by providing at least 60 days' notice to the other institution.

3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

Each Party shall comply with all applicable local, national laws, regulations, rules, and orders pertaining to the sharing and development of learning resources, including data privacy and intellectual property laws. These shall include all relevant international conventions, treaties and agreements.

4. FINAL PROVISIONS

- 4.1 This MOU is not intended to be legally binding. Differences arising out of the interpretation of the implementation of the MOU shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation between the two Institutions.
- 4.2 If the Institutions desire to share confidential information of the other Institution arising out of collaboration pursuant to this MOU, they shall first obtain prior approval from the other institution.
- 4.3 The Institutions acknowledge that this MOU is not exclusive. Each Institution may enter into similar agreements with other entities for the same or similar purposes.
- 4.4 Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as creating a partnership or agency relationship between the institutions.
- 4.5 The Institutions shall each bear their own costs in carrying out the actions of the MOU with respect to each Institution's responsibilities.
- 4.6 It is agreed that any property rights created by each Institution shall solely remain the property of the original owner.
- 4.7 It is also agreed that all initiative resources remain under the control of the initiating partner (e.g., overhead budget, equipment, budget balances etc.)
- 4.8 Either Institution shall be entitled to obtain such publicity as it considers necessary to the subject matter within the framework of this MOU, provided that any press releases and other materials (including electronic) shall be approved as to form and content prior to the release.



In WITNESS WHEREOF, the institutions hereunto affix their signatures:

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