



## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

*Between*

*University of Ulster, Cromore Road, Coleraine, Northern Ireland*

*and*

*School of Nutritional Sciences and Dietetics, Tehran University of Medical Sciences  
(TUMS), Tehran, Iran*

University of Ulster and School of Nutritional Sciences and Dietetics, Tehran University of Medical Sciences ("TUMS"), hereby agree upon the following terms and conditions as set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding

On

2016/07/31

### **PURPOSE**

The aim of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish and expand academic cooperation between School of Biomedical Sciences at University of Ulster and School of Nutritional Sciences and Dietetics, Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS).

### **AREAS OF COOPERATION**

#### *A. Exchange of Students*

Both parties shall make reasonable efforts to support development of an exchange of undergraduate and graduate students for short-term, long-term studies and formal degree programs. Exchange students shall be subject to the admissions criteria and requirements of the host institution. The details of the institutional and student rights and responsibilities for such exchanges shall be set forth in writing and agreed upon by both parties before a particular exchange is initiated.

#### *B. Exchange of Academic Staff*



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Both parties shall make reasonable efforts to facilitate visits of their researchers or faculty to one another's campuses for periods of time for research and teaching in accordance with the objectives of this agreement. The details of institutional and individual responsibilities involved in such researcher or faculty exchanges shall be set forth in writing and agreed upon by both parties before a particular visit is initiated.

#### *C. Exchange of Scientific, Educational and Scholarly Materials*

Both parties shall seek agreement upon a list of their respective scientific, educational and scholarly materials to be exchanged. To the extent practicable, the parties will set forth in writing their mutually agreed upon protocols and guidelines governing this exchange and distribution of information.

#### *D. Special Projects*

The parties shall make reasonable efforts to collaborate from time to time in the development of special projects, including joint research, training activities, organization of events such as seminars, workshops, congress and conferences, aimed at furthering their academic objectives. The details of institutional and individual responsibilities necessary for accomplishment of these special projects shall be set forth in writing and agreed upon by both parties before a particular project is initiated.

#### *E. Faculty Members Visits*

The two parties will make reasonable efforts to establish joint visit programs between the two institutions which shall serve as a framework for further cooperation. Arrangement for such visits will be supported by both parties and shall be set forth in writing and agreed upon by both parties before a particular visit is initiated.

#### **FUNDING OF COOPERATIVE PROJECTS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMS**

Before any particular cooperative project or program is initiated, all financial details should be negotiated and agreed upon by both institutions and shall be set forth in writing before a particular project or a program is initiated.



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#### **PROGRAM PLANNING**

In order to facilitate program planning, attempts will be made to hold annual meeting between representatives of the two institutions. The purpose of such meeting will be to develop close contacts and understanding of the needs and priorities of the two institutions and to establish the framework of cooperative programming, for the following years as much as possible.

#### **TERMS OF AGREEMENT, VALUATION AND TERMINATION**

The present Memorandum of Understanding becomes effective upon its execution by both parties and shall remain in effect for three years from said date of execution, at which time the parties may negotiate to extend the agreement a further term. This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either party upon a 90-day written notice, and may be amended by mutual consent of the parties, formalized in written communications that specify the date which such amendments are to take effect. Termination shall be without penalty or liability. If this Agreement is terminated, neither party shall be liable to the other for any monetary or other losses which may result.

This Agreement shall be identified as the master document of any program agreement executed between the parties. Further agreements concerning any program shall provide details concerning the specific commitments made by each party and shall not become effective until they have been reduced to writing, approved by the respective legal departments and executed by the duly authorized representatives of the respective universities. The scope of the activities under this Agreement shall be determined by the funds regularly available at both institutions for the types of collaboration undertaken and by financial assistance as may be obtained by either institution from external sources. No specific financial commitment by either party is to be implied from this Agreement.

Except as may be stipulated in any specific program agreement, each party shall be responsible for expenses incurred by its employees under this Agreement.

Tehran University of Medical Sciences shall not use the name "Ulster University", "University of Ulster" or the name of any school or division thereof, or use any logo or insignia of or other identifiers of University of Ulster or any school or division thereof, in any form of publicity or disclosure without the prior written consent of University of Ulster, which consent may be withheld or granted by University of Ulster in its sole and complete discretion at any time or times. University of Ulster shall not use the name "Tehran University of Medical Sciences" or the name of any school or division thereof, or use any logo or insignia of or otherwise identify Tehran University of Medical Sciences or any school or division thereof, in any form of publicity or disclosure without the prior written consent of Tehran University of Medical Sciences, which consent may be withheld or granted by Tehran University of Medical Sciences in its sole and complete discretion at any time or times.



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Neither party shall communicate with members of the media or otherwise make any public announcement regarding the terms of this Agreement or the programs or projects contemplated herein, without the prior written consent of the other party. All requests from University of Ulster and any inquiries from the media shall be referred to University of Ulster Senior Vice President for University Relations or Director of Public Relations.

It is the responsibility of both parties to ensure that any and all activities resulting from this Agreement comply with all applicable laws and regulations of Northern Ireland and the Islamic Republic of Iran, and the parties hereby agree that no activity shall be permitted by either party under this Agreement which conflict with or violate any laws or regulations of Northern Ireland or the Islamic Republic of Iran.

**COORDINATORS**

Both parties will appoint a coordinator to facilitate the communication between them.

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