

**Memorandum of Understanding for
Academic and Research Cooperation, and Exchange between
Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS)
and University of Sulaimani (UoS)**

In recognition of their commitment to the advancement of learning through teaching and research, and to strengthening friendly relations, Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) and University of Sulaimani (UoS), collectively referred to as “the Parties” and individually as “the Party”, have mutually agreed to extend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in September 2015 for an additional five (5) years, effective from the date of signing as indicated below. The parties commit to this MOU to promote educational and academic collaboration between their institutions.

The Parties will make every reasonable effort to encourage direct contact and research cooperation between their faculty members and departments under the provisions of this MOU, and endeavor to cooperate in the fields with which the parties are concerned. The Parties agree on the following general forms of cooperation within spheres of mutual interests:

1. Exchange of staff and students;
2. Developing proposals for possible undergraduate or postgraduate transfers, summer schools;
3. Creating opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students to take courses and to engage in internships, service learning and research at the other institution;
4. Developing proposals for possible joint research;
5. Publication of joint academic research;
6. Exchange of academic materials and academic publications;
7. Encourage academic visits by faculty members and researchers for conferences, seminars, lectures and discussions;
8. Developing proposals for Joint supervision of postgraduate students,

Themes of joint academic and research activities, the conditions for utilizing the results achieved, arrangements for specific visits, exchanges, and other forms of cooperation shall be negotiated for each specific case and agreed upon through signing separate agreements.

Any intellectual property developed on collaborative research conducted under this Memorandum of Understanding or any contracts pertaining to fee for services rendered will be addressed on a case-by-case basis under separate agreements.

The Parties understand that all financial arrangements shall be negotiated and will depend upon the availability of funds. The Parties will endeavor to obtain external funding to support collaborative efforts.

This Memorandum of Understanding will not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to the other; and each Party will bear its own cost and expenses in relation to the academic and research activities under this Memorandum of Understanding.

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or application of any of the provision of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiations between the Parties without reference to any third party.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective on the date written below for a term of five years. It is subject to renewal by mutual written consent of the parties within six months prior to the expiration date. In the event that the Party wishes to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding at the expiration date, they shall do so in writing to the other Party, with a notice period of six months.

This Memorandum of Understanding may be revised with the mutual consent of both parties.

Tehran University of Medical Sciences

Dr. Hossein Ghanaati, MD
Chancellor

Signature:

Date:



University of Sulaimani

Dr. Kosar Mohamed Ali
President

Signature:

Date:

18/8/2021