MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between the
University of Rhode Island, Rhode Island, Kingston, USA
and the
Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made and entered into on the day of the final signature, by, and between the University of Rhode Island, Kingston, Rhode Island, USA (hereinafter referred to as URI) and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana (hereinafter referred to as KNUST) wishing to establish cooperative relations, especially to develop academic and cultural interchange in education, research, and other areas, under the following terms and provisions:

AREA. Subject to mutual consent, the area of cooperation includes KNUST’s Regional Institute of Oceanic and Coastal Studies at Takoradi in the Western Region of Ghana and any program offered at either university in which the two institutions believe cooperation is feasible and desirable and which would contribute to fostering and developing a mutually beneficial relationship between the two universities.

METHODS. Subject to the approval of the President or Chief Academic Officer of each institution and the availability of funding, assistance shall be carried out through any one or more of the following activities or programs as mutually agreed to by the parties:

1. Exchange of faculty members
2. Exchange of students on the baccalaureate and/or graduate level. Arrangements for undergraduate student exchange at the University of Rhode Island are handled through the Office of International Education
3. Joint research and extension activities
4. Participation in seminars and academic meetings
5. Exchange of academic materials and other information
6. Special short-term academic programs
7. Staff development projects

The terms of such activities and the budget required for them shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing and signed by both parties prior to the initiation of any specific program or activity. Each program or activity shall be negotiated on an annual basis. Each university will designate a Liaison Officer to develop and coordinate specific activities and programs.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND LENGTH OF AGREEMENT. This agreement will remain in force for a period of five years subject to the availability of funds to support projects. Any amendment and/or modification of this agreement require written approval of the President or Chief Academic Officer of each institution and shall be appended hereto. After the initial five-year period, this agreement may be renewed by mutual consent. Either party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon six (6) months' prior written notice to the other.
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