STUDENT EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

Between Zhejiang University, Garden City of Hangzhou, People’s Republic of China, represented by Vice President WU Zhaohui, and the University of Rhode Island, Kingston, Rhode Island, USA, represented by President David M. Dooley. By accepting the text of this agreement, the two institutions decide to participate officially in a program of student exchange.

Article I

On a basis of reciprocity and in the interests of both institutions, the goal of this agreement is to establish an exchange program open to qualified undergraduate and graduate students at each of the two participating universities. Students who have completed the bachelor degree or equivalent will have the opportunity to register for both undergraduate and graduate courses at the partner university, as appropriate (as non-degree students). In selected cases, it may be possible for students to complete a Master’s degree at the host institution.

Article II

Each institution, respecting the admission requirements and program restrictions of the other, shall assume full responsibility in the assessment and selection of qualified candidates. The host institution shall then respect the selection so made. In future cases, however, where students may wish to earn a degree, normal degree application and admission procedures must be followed.

a. Each institution consents to accepting an equal number of students having the required qualifications. Each accepted student would have an academic program for the fall and [and/or] spring terms. Any exchange imbalance should be rectified within a three-year period.

b. Students will be admitted for a maximum of two semesters of study in the appropriate subject areas, but without class ranking. Participation in this exchange program is not intended to imply acceptance into a degree program at either host institution, except in selected cases where an agreement is in place. Graduation with a degree is not planned initially, but may be addressed in a future appended agreement.
Article III
The proposed program of study is to be determined in advance as part of the process of approving each student for this exchange program. Exchange students will receive appropriate introduction and advisement from the corresponding officials in the pertinent academic departments of the host university and will be assisted in the process of transferring credit from the host university to the home institution.

Article IV
All exchange students shall be subject to the same academic regulations regarding class performance, community standards, and student discipline systems, at the host institution, pertaining to all students, graduate and undergraduate, in exchange programs, etc.

a. Applicants must be prepared linguistically, so as to be able to participate in the instructional programs of the host university with success; or limit their studies to language learning programs or courses taught in English.

b. In accordance with the host institution’s academic requirements for its regularly enrolled students, students are expected to be in good academic standing (2.0 GPA/undergraduate, 3.0GPA/graduate, with no F's or the equivalent) to continue in the second semester. If such has not been achieved, the host institution may deny second semester enrollment without refund of program cost.

c. Violation of laws committed in the host country shall subject the exchange student to immediate withdrawal of his/her immigration and academic sponsorship and to immediate expulsion from the host country without refund of program cost.

Article V
The academic record of each student's academic performance shall be sent directly to his/her home institution at the conclusion of each semester. However it shall be the sole responsibility of the home institution to decide on the application of those credits to the student's degree program.

Article VI
In so far as they are required, each exchange student will pay a program cost solely to the home institution and not to the host institution that includes tuition and fees (e.g. health services, student services, and transcript). Exemption from fees, at the host institution, does not apply to health insurance fees.
a. While minor illnesses may be treated at the host institution’s health services, each student must be covered by insurance to cover medical contingencies while in the host country that adhere to the Office of Exchange Coordination and Designation Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, United States Department of State.

b. Each exchange student is responsible for living expenses including extended academic recess, all transportation costs, books and supplies, health insurance, and personal and incidental expenses. The host institutions will each do their best to provide financial assistance to the guest students, insofar as that is possible.

**Article VII**

URI will agree to make available on-campus housing during the academic term provided that the student complies with URI’s requirements for application, deposits, and payments for residence halls or comparable housing. *The precise nature of room and board arrangements will be specified in an addendum*. These arrangements can be changed by mutual agreement, assuming six months’ written notice.

**Article VIII**

The Zhejiang University Office of International Relations and the University of Rhode Island International Engineering Program agree to seek possible sources of outside support to assist exchange students with travel and living expenses.

**Article IX**

This agreement is valid as of academic year 2009-2010. It shall continue for an indefinite period, but with twelve months written notice, it can be interrupted or terminated at the request of either institution, assuming that an exchange balance exists. If an imbalance exists, the agreement will end after the term in which the balance becomes equal.

**Article X**

The exchange agreement will be applied in conformity with the particular regulations of each of the two Universities and in a manner acceptable to both. The Office for International Education/International Affairs, at each university, will handle administrative matters associated with the exchange. The initial contact persons for the exchange program at the University of Rhode Island will be Professor John M. Grandin, Director of the International Engineering Program, and Ms. Erin Papa, Chinese Flagship Coordinator. The Zhejiang University representatives will be Professor LI Min, Deputy Director, and Mr. LUO Jian, Student Exchange Program Coordinator of the Office of International Relations.
Signed:

President David M. Dooley
The University of Rhode Island

Date: 1-21-2010

Vice President WU Zhaohui
Zhejiang University

Date: 1-21-2010
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(Addendum to Article VII)

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Room and Board: University of Rhode Island exchange students studying at Zhejiang University will be responsible for paying for their housing and meals themselves. Students may choose to live in the Chu Kochen Hall of International Education on the Yuquan Campus at the normal charge of RMB 6,750 per term (4.5 months) or in self-secured housing off-campus at their own risk.

The URI International Engineering Program will reserve housing for Zhejiang University exchange students studying in the centrally located Heidi Kirk Duffy Center for International Engineering Education. The URI International Engineering Program will offer room and board at the substantially reduced cost of $3500 per semester to Zhejiang University exchange students, who agree to work 10 hours per week as assistants for the International Engineering Program in exchange for this cost reduction.

Signed:

John M. Grandin
Director
International Engineering Program
The University of Rhode Island

Date: 1-21-2010

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Deputy Director
Office of International Relations
Zhejiang University

Date: 1-21-2010