

The Establishment of Collaborative Relationship

between

**Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas
University, Kyrgyzstan
and**



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East Carolina University, USA

Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University of Kyrgyzstan and East Carolina University of United States of America have agreed to pursue the future establishment of a formal collaborative relationship between the two universities. The details of how to carry out the agreement will be discussed further by the two parties. Based on the principle of equality, the two parties have reached an agreement as follows.

1. The two universities will explore the possibility of creating a program of cooperation that may include but are not limited to:
 - development of collaborative research projects;
 - organization of joint academic and scientific activities, such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia or lectures;
 - exchange of research and teaching personnel;
 - exchange of students;
 - exchange of publications and other materials of common interests;
 - the development of community service projects.
2. Cooperative projects under this general agreement may include any of the academic disciplines represented at either of the institutions. The details of such an exchange program such as housing, salary, student tuition, etc., will be developed at a later time.
3. Both institutions agree to look into the possibility of exchanging publications that are published by faculty including academic journals, teaching and educational materials, and educational and scientific research. It is also agreed that both institutions may, if convenient, render mutual academic and educational support and assistance, insofar as it might be possible, including obtaining relevant information, equipment and resources for teaching, and data for educational research. It is hoped that, with these increased items of cooperation, this cooperation will result in a greater number of joint scholarly publications and other evidence of productive research.
4. This agreement itemizes only the three general exchange principles as listed in paragraphs 1 through 3 above, and the one specific program indicated in paragraph 5. Details in carrying out the agreement, as well as other general principles, will be further negotiated by both institutions.

5. Beginning Spring semester, 2014, the universities will jointly offer a course in Global Understanding using videoconferencing and other Internet based tools. English will be used in teaching this course. Participation in this course will require each university to maintain internet connectivity that supports H.323 videoconferencing and IRC based chat. This course will provide partnerships between the students and faculty at Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University and East Carolina University for the duration of the course.
6. By written mutual consent, this agreement shall go into effect from the 11 September, 2013. If it is deemed necessary by either party, new ideas can be put forth in writing according to the situation to enhance or extend the agreement. The agreement will remain in effect for three years, and may be renewed, subject to renegotiation six months prior to the date of expiration.

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