

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION AND EXCHANGE BETWEEN MBARARA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

The Mbarara University of Science and Technology ("MUST"), with its principal office located at P.O BOX 1410, Mbarara, Uganda, and the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia ("UVA"), with its principal office at the Booker House, 1709 University Avenue, Charlottesville, Virginia, 22903, USA, hereby enter into this General Agreement for Academic Cooperation and Exchange ("Agreement") to foster international cooperation in education and research.

- 1. Both parties agree to encourage the following activities to promote international academic cooperation:
 - (a) Exchange of educational, scholarly and research materials;
 - (b) Exchange of faculty and research scholars;
 - (c) Exchange of students;
 - (d) Joint research and meetings for education and research.

Before any of these activities are undertaken, the parties shall discuss the implementation of the activities to their mutual satisfaction, and shall enter into separate written agreements detailing the conduct of such activities.

- For purposes of this Agreement, MUST's primary point of contact for academic and administrative
 matters will be Niinye Olivia Sheila, the International Relations Officer, or her designee, UVA's
 primary point of contact for academic and administrative issues will be Dudley Doane, Director of
 the International Studies Office, or his designee.
- 3. This Agreement shall become effective as of the date of signature by representatives of both parties and shall remain in effect for an initial period of five (5) years. Either party may terminate this Agreement upon three (3) months' advance written notice to the other party. The amendment or extension of this Agreement requires the agreement of both parties in writing.
- 4. Both parties agree that this Agreement should be reviewed approximately every five (5) years to evaluate progress and improve the quality of the exchange.
- 5. Both parties subscribe to the policy of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity, marital status, national or ethnic origin, political affiliation,

General Agreement for Academic Cooperation and Exchange University of Virginia – Mbarara University of Science and Technology Page 1 of 2 race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, veteran status, or family medical or genetic information. UVA and MUST shall abide by these principles in the administration of this Agreement.

6. Special Provisions:

- A. This Agreement does not constitute an obligation or commitment of funds from the Government of Uganda or the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor does this Agreement give rise to a claim for government funds from either.
- B. Any additional undertakings between the Institutions pursuant to this Agreement will be approved through appropriate channels in accordance with applicable regulations and procedures, and will be subject to the availability of appropriate funds.
- C. Nothing contained in this Agreement will be deemed a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the Government of Uganda or the Commonwealth of Virginia

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their authorized representatives:

FOR THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Thomas C. Katsouleas

Executive Vice President and Provost

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