

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

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I. PREAMBLE

This MOU seeks to strengthen cooperation between the two institutes involved in the fields of education, scholarly research and service programs, affirming the significance and importance of cooperation in the pursuit of international education. Both institutes recognize the importance of academic interchange between universities, and active engagement in a wider national and international scholarly community by members of academic institutions. This MOU also seeks to nurture the creative role of international scholarly communication and collaboration in the development and dissemination of knowledge, learning and research.

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And

Prof. Shehu Garki Ado of Al-Qalam University, Katsina, Nigeria

in the spirit of promoting exchanges between their respective institutions, in all pertinent areas of university activities, agree as follows:



II. GENERAL OBJECTIVES

To strengthen and encourage communication and collaboration between members of the two universities, in areas of mutual concern and benefit; to facilitate the exchange of scholars and professors for teaching and research.

III. FACULTY EXCHANGE

Under this Memorandum of Understanding, faculty members from one institution shall have the opportunity to work with the other institution through online facilities in connection with sabbatical leaves, joint research programs, teaching and consultation with regard to curricula development / upgrading and other academic pursuits.

The details of the engagements and the relevant financial matters will be agreed upon prior to the commencement of the said projects.

The nature of the activity, period and duration of each project shall be mutually agreed upon, beforehand, through the exchange of correspondence between the administrations of both institutions.

IV. RESEARCH

The collaboration in research will promote the advancement of science, technology and human learning through the undertaking of cooperative research on topics of mutual interest and expertise; and to stimulate contacts between researchers in the two universities and the formation of research linkages and groups, with particular reference to the work of graduate students in both institutions.


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V. PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Before any particular cooperative project or program is initiated, all financial details and required logistic support shall be negotiated and agreed upon by the two institutions, with each partner acting within the scope of the resources specifically allocated to this effect by administrative authorities.

Since most projects of cooperation, especially those involving collaborative research, require significant supplement financial support, the two universities agree to make representations individually and jointly, to national and international funding agencies, making those agencies aware of the Agreement themselves. This Memorandum of Understanding shall come into force for a period of Five Years upon the signatures of both sides, and shall be renewed with their mutual consent and signatures. It may be amended by written agreement of both parties. Either party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding with six month's advance written notice to the other party. Such termination shall not affect the validity of any arrangements already made under the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding.

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