

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

SWAMI VIVEKANAND SUBHARTI UNIVERSITY

Meerut, Uttar Pradesh
India

And

Huston-Tillotson University

Austin, Texas
United States of America

1. Preamble:

Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, hereinafter referred to as "SVSU", and Huston-Tillotson University, hereinafter referred to as "HT", are committed to promoting international academic collaboration and exchange opportunities for faculty and students. This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) establishes a framework for collaboration in the areas of faculty and student exchange.

2. Areas of Collaboration:

A. Faculty Exchange:

- i. Exchange visits for teaching, research collaboration, and guest lectures.
- ii. Joint workshops, seminars, and conferences.
- iii. Development of joint research proposals and grant applications.

B. Student Exchange:

- i. Semester-long or short-term student exchange programs.
- ii. Joint research projects and internships.
- iii. Participation in summer schools and other academic programs.

C. Online Resource Provision for Lectures:

- i. SVSU and HT will collaborate to provide online resources, such as Assistant Professors, Associate Professors, or Professors, to deliver lectures for courses offered during the semester at either university within their regular academic programs. The schedule of these online lectures will be prioritized in the university timetable, considering the lecturer's convenience and the time difference between the two countries.
- ii. The university receiving the online lectures will compensate the service offered by the provider University for such arrangements on a per-lecture basis at the end of each month. The compensation rate for these arrangements will be determined by the Dean of the respective academic units before the commencement of the academic sessions.
- iii. The Dean of both universities will coordinate to ensure smooth implementation and address any logistical or financial concerns related to online lectures.

3. Benefits for Students:

- A. Broaden academic horizons through exposure to different educational systems and cultures.
- B. Enhance research skills through collaboration with international peers.
- C. Gain valuable international experience and global perspectives.
- D. Improve communication and intercultural understanding.

4. Implementation:

- A. The Deans of each university will designate 1-2 faculty coordinators responsible for facilitating the exchange programs. These faculty coordinators will hold the authority to suggest improvements or revisions to this MoU when deemed necessary. The faculty coordinators will oversee the implementation of the MoU, including:
 - i. Developing selection criteria and application procedures for exchange programs.
 - ii. Establishing academic credit transfer mechanisms.
 - iii. Addressing logistical and financial considerations.
- B. Regular communication and exchange of information will be maintained between the universities.

5. Duration and Termination:

- This MoU shall be valid for a period of five (5) years, subject to renewal upon mutual consent.

6. Legal Framework:

- A. This MoU is subject to the laws and regulations of India and the United States of America.
- B. Any disputes arising under this MoU shall be settled through amicable consultation and negotiation.

7. Miscellaneous:

- A. This MoU does not constitute a legally binding agreement and does not create any financial obligations for either party, except as outlined in Paragraph 2(C) of this MoU.
- B. Each party shall be responsible for covering its own costs associated with the exchange programs, unless otherwise agreed upon.
- C. This MoU may be amended or modified by mutual written agreement between the parties and as per para 4(A) of this MoU.

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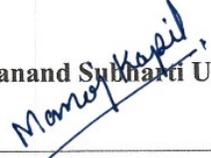
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