MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY, USA

and

JINDAL SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
O.P. JINDAL GLOBAL UNIVERSITY, INDIA

In recognition of the common academic interests shared by William Paterson University, Wayne, New Jersey, Department of Political Science, (hereafter WPUNJ) and O.P. Jindal Global University's Jindal School of International Affairs (JSIA), both institutions agree to enter into a partnership for joint research, seminars, publications and exchanges of faculty experts and students. The objective of the agreement is to establish, maintain and enhance educational interaction between WPUNJ and the JSIA through specific initiatives detailed in this Agreement with a view to supporting research collaboration, capacity building, and other forms of academic partnerships in designated areas of International Affairs.

The terms of this Agreement consist of the following:

SECTION I: Student Exchange

1. General Information

A. Each year, JSIA shall be entitled to send up to five students to WPUNJ in order to enroll in WPUNJ's courses taught for the Master of Arts (M.A.) program in Public Policy and International Affairs, particularly those pertaining to the study of US foreign policy, Politics of the Middle East, Military Strategy, Non-State Actors in World Politics, Global Governance, International Dimensions of the Global Financial Crisis, the United Nations and International Security, and International Energy Policy and Security.
B. WPUNJ shall similarly be entitled each year to send up to five students to JSIA to enroll in courses taught in its Masters of Arts in Diplomacy, Law and Business (MA DLB) program, which offers a wide range of courses from the interrelated disciplines of International Relations, International Law and International Business studies in Spring and Fall semesters each year. Courses offered at JSIA such as China-India Relations, Indian Foreign Policy and Diplomacy; Statecraft of Great, Middle and Small Powers, The Use of Force and its Limits in International Affairs, Geopolitics and Geo-economics, International Trade Law and Financial Law, Negotiation and Resolution of International Conflicts etc. could be of particular interest to International Affairs M.A. students of WPUNJ. The number of exchange visits for each party is normally two per academic year (i.e., two semesters per year), which may be satisfied by exchanging two to three students for a semester each.

C. If in any given year the number of exchange visits is not equal, both WPUNJ and JSIA will seek to achieve a reasonable balance over a three-year period. Exchange visits may not exceed fifteen (15) students per school over a three-year period.

D. The home institution shall be responsible for preliminarily screening and selecting students for this program, and for ascertaining that each participating student is proficient in the language of instruction at the host institution and likely to benefit from a particular course of study. Each party reserves the right to approve the candidates proposed for the exchange by the other party.

2. Costs and Administration

A. Exchange students shall be required to pay regular tuition and fees to their home institution. No tuition or mandatory fee payments will be required of exchange students at the host institution. The exchange shall not entail any monetary transaction between the two parties to this agreement. Students participating in the semester abroad are responsible for costs associated with travel, accommodation (room and board), course materials, health insurance, living expenses and other incidental expenses.

B. Prior to the term of exchange, each institution shall provide incoming exchange students with an estimate of the expenses to be expected during the period of attendance at the host institution.

C. Each institution shall coordinate the visa paperwork necessary for participating exchange students and accompanying dependents, if applicable. Exchange students are responsible for paying the costs of visas for themselves and any dependents.

D. Each institution shall undertake to assist the exchange students in locating suitable accommodation.

E. Students shall be enrolled as provisional or "non-degree" students and shall continue to be students at their home institution.

F. Both WPUNJ and JSIA agree to apply credits earned at the host school toward the home degree as appropriate. All credit transfer will be evaluated upon the student's return.

G. Subject to requirements imposed by their home universities, exchange students shall be afforded the same freedom and restrictions as regular students when choosing courses. The general rule will be that choice of courses must fall within broadly defined disciplinary boundaries of their home degree programs. Students are expected to be full-time students.

H. Exchange students will have the same access to the host universities' facilities, academic advisors, and student support services as regular students.

I. Obligations under this agreement pertain to the direct participants in the program of exchange. Neither institution shall be responsible for expenses incurred by spouses and families of exchange students.
SECTION II: Faculty Collaboration and Exchange Visits
A. Beginning in 2012, WPUNJ and JSIA will jointly plan activities that will be beneficial to both institutions.
B. Both JSIA and WPUNJ will promote opportunities for collaborative teaching, research, and publications.
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A. Based on mutual interests on the parts of both policy-oriented schools, JSIA and WPUNJ may explore and develop an internship program in India for WPUNJ students based at JSIA; and in the United States for JSIA students based at WPUNJ. Think tanks and governmental and non-governmental offices and organizations that specialize in foreign policy, strategic affairs, international political economy, humanitarian affairs, human rights, peace and conflict, environmental politics etc. will be the main avenues for internships to students of WPUNJ in India and for students of JSIA in the U.S.A., given the overlapping disciplinary interests and career aspirations of student bodies of both institutions.
B. Specific details of the internship arrangements will be outlined in a subsequent Implementation Plan.

SECTION IV: Distance Education and the Global Classroom
A. Faculty members of WPUNJ and of JSIA will explore ways to conduct long distance ‘global classroom’ learning through video lecturing, cross-listing of elective courses and carry-over of credits between the M.A. (DLB) program of JSIA and the M.A. program at WPUNJ. This will involve close coordination between like-minded faculty members of both institutions who share common teaching and curricular interests and who might jointly offer a course for a select number of students of both institutions.
B. The specifics of this arrangement will be agreed upon through mutual consultation between both sides and in a subsequent Implementation Plan.

SECTION V: Duration and Amendment of Agreement
This Agreement shall be in force and be binding upon the parties hereto for a period of five (5) years from the date of this Agreement and is renewable. This Agreement may be amended prior to the expiration of the foregoing period only by mutual consent. Either party may terminate this Agreement with six (6) months advance notice.

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On behalf of:

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