# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between William Paterson University (United States of America) and the Institut Catholique d'Etudes Supérleures (France)

Whereas common interests led to an exchange of communications between officials of the William Paterson University and the Institut Catholique d'Etudes Supérieures, resuiting in exploration of possible cooperative endeavors between the two institutions:

Whereas William Paterson University and the Institut Catholique d'Etudes Supérieures recognize the significance of internationalizing the development of their students and faculty:

William Paterson University, represented by its President, Dr. Kathleen Waldron

And

The Institut Catholique d'Etudes Supérieures (ICES), represented by its President, Dr. Hervé Magnouloux.

Agree to the following:

+ +

## → Article 1 :

With the aim of promoting friendship cooperation, and joint efforts between their faculty and students, the institut Catholique d'Etudes Supérieures and William Paterson University hereby agree to work together to enhance the exchange of persons and knowledge and to encourage collaborative projects and research.

# → Article 2:

Opportunities for cooperative research, with or without the exchange of visitors, will be explored and encouraged.

- 1. The two parties will work out a system of priorities for joint projects.
- 2. The prioritles will be agreed upon by the two parties during the lifetime of this memorandum of understanding.

## → Article 3 :

The two parties will work together on the implementation of the projects.

# → Article 4:

Each party will consider receiving faculty members and/or researchers.

# → Article 5:

Each party will endeavor to provide administrative and/or logistical support for the guest concerned in the host country according to whatever resources are available.

#### → Article 6:

An exchange of students will take place between the two institutions.

## A- Principles

- 1. The number of students being exchanged will not necessarily balance exactly in any given year but should be approximately equal over a five-year period.
- 2. Exchange students shall pay tuition, registration and emolument fees to the home institution. The host institution will waive all tuition fees.
- 3. The number of students to be exchanged will not exceed three students per year, per partner university.
- 4. Withdrawal by a student prior to the end of the exchange period will not affect the status of their counterpart.

# B- Application

- 1. Students who wish to participate in the exchange should submit applications to the international programs coordinator (or other designated official) of their home institution.
- Exchange students shall pay tuition fees to and be enrolled at the home institution. The home institution coordinator shall arrange for appropriate review of applications and selection of students to participate based on the following criteria:
  - a- academic record
  - b- degree of fluency in language of instructions
  - c- relevant and appropriate curricular interests
  - d- other criteria that home institution may wish to impose
- 3. The home international exchange coordinator shall normally forward the approved applications to the host institution not later than June 30th for the first semester applications and October 31st for second semester applicants.
- 4. Exchange students shall be accorded the same rights and privileges of regular students at the host institution. They shall not be permitted to apply for academic degrees unless authorization has been granted by the home institution.
- 5. Record will be established for exchange students as if they were regular students of the host institution. An official transcript of course work and grades will be mailed to the Exchange coordinator of the home institution by the Exchange coordinator of the receiving institution.

# C- Students obligation

- 1. Exchange students are responsible for providing their own international transportation.
- 2. Exchange students are responsible for their own financial support, and the host institution bears no responsibility for providing funds to an exchange student for any purpose.
- 3. Exchange students are responsible for securing their own housing accommodation. Students will receive a list of available accommodation from the host international coordinator; students interested in living in university housing, if available, should apply to the housing office of the host campus through the host international exchange coordinator.
- 4. Exchange students are required to be covered by health insurance in the host country and must show proof of coverage before arrival in the host country.

## → Article 7:

This MOU shall become effective upon signature of both parties and be valid for five years from the date of signature.

Either party may terminate the MOU on twelve months notice, provided that exchanges in progress or agreed to are not interrupted. Revisions to the MOU may be proposed at any time and become effective from the date they are signed by both parties.

Date March 15th 2011

I.C.E.S.

Hervé Magnouloux, PhD

President

Institut Catholique d'Etydes & Frieures

Date

May 23, 2011

Kathleen Waldron, PhD

President

William Patherson University

Kathlou Waldu