

Memorandum of Understanding

**FOUR BORDERS INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC ALLIANCE ARIZONA-BAJA
CALIFORNIA-SONORA (International Academic Alliance ABS)
AMONG
UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA, U.S.A.
AND
PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES IN BAJA, CALIFORNIA AND SONORA, MEXICO.**

THIS IS A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (“MOU”) OF ACADEMIC, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL COLLABORATION WHICH INCLUDES SEVERAL OF MEXICO’S PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES, HEREAFTER THE UNIVERSITIES OF MEXICO, AND SEVERAL UNIVERSITIES LOCATED IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HEREAFTER THE UNIVERSITIES OF ARIZONA, USA.

THE UNIVERSITIES OF MEXICO ARE COMPRISED OF UNIVERSITIES FROM BAJA CALIFORNIA, INCLUDING THE UNIVERSIDAD A LA UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA DE BAJA CALIFORNIA, REPRESENTADA POR SU RECTOR, JUAN JESUS ALGRAVEZ URANGA; EL INSTITUTO TECNOLÓGICO DE MEXICALI, REPRESENTADO POR SU DIRECTOR FRANCISCO JAVIER ORTIZ SERRANO; Y LA UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE BAJA CALIFORNIA REPRESENTADA POR SU RECTOR, JUAN MANUEL OCEGUEDA HERNÁNDEZ; POR SONORA: LA UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, SONORA, REPRESENTADO POR SU RECTOR SALVADOR RAÚL GONZÁLEZ VALENZUELA; LA UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE GUAYMAS, SONORA, REPRESENTADO POR SU RECTOR PEDRO GUILLERMO MAR HERNÁNDEZ; POR LA UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE ETCHOJOA, SONORA, REPRESENTADO POR SU RECTOR JESÚS MANUEL OSUNA DURÁN; Y POR LA UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE HERMOSILLO, SONORA, REPRESENTADO POR SU RECTOR ADALBERTO ABDALÁ CALDERÓN TRUJILLO;

THE UNIVERSITIES OF ARIZONA, U.S.A. INCLUDE THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA; NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY; ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY; and ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE.

General Clauses:

This MOU is based on the principle of reciprocity and expresses the interest of all parties in exchanging scholars, students, academic information, and materials in the belief that the research and educational process at each institution will be enhanced and that mutual understanding among their respective scholars and students will be increased by the establishment of such exchange programs.

1. The parties agree to encourage the development of the following programs and activities, based on their respective academic and educational needs. In particular the parties agree:


- A. To identify opportunities for the exchange of faculty and research staff.
 - B. To exchange and educate academic personnel through sabbaticals, short stays, seminars, courses, workshops, etc.
 - C. To jointly develop research programs and projects.
 - D. To jointly develop undergraduate and graduate programs.
 - E. To exchange information in the fields of interest to all institutions.
 - F. To explore opportunities for student exchange, studies and research.
 - G. To explore opportunities to send or receive visiting students for a semester or year.
 - H. To jointly carry out professional and academic events.
 - I. To mutually lend advice, technical support and services.
 - J. To identify other areas of possible interest and collaboration.
 - K. To submit a written report to the *Permanent Coordination Group* as defined in Clause 5 below, as a final draft or by stages, on each program of work developed, reflecting the results achieved as well as recommendations to continue, extend, or end each program.
2. The parties recognize that the implementation of any exchange program and/or joint academic activity under this MOU will depend upon the academic interests and expertise of individual faculty members and upon the availability of financial resources. Each cooperative activity undertaken by the parties hereunder shall be preceded by detailed discussions and a written agreement (each, a "*Specific Collaboration Agreement*") that addresses information pertaining to such activity, including statement of work, duration, cost, intellectual property rights and other necessary terms for international cooperative activities.
 3. This MOU is not intended to be a legally binding document. It is meant to describe the nature and to suggest the guidelines of the cooperation described above. Nothing therefore shall diminish the full autonomy of any party, nor will any constraints be imposed by any party upon any other party in carrying out the MOU. This MOU does not create a joint venture or agency relationship of any kind among the parties.
 4. This MOU shall become effective on the day representatives of all of the parties affix their signatures and seals, will be in force for a period of 5 years, and is subject to revision or modification by mutual agreement. All such revisions or modifications shall be in writing. It is also understood that any party may end its participation in the **International Academic Alliance ABS** if it provides thirty (30) days prior written notice of its intention to terminate to all parties, although it is expected that such action would be taken only after consultation with the members of the **International Academic Alliance ABS** in order to avoid any possible inconvenience to the other institutions.
 5. The *UNIVERSITIES OF MEXICO* respectfully designate as their representative Lic. Maria de los Angeles Murillo Flores, and the *UNIVERSITIES OF ARIZONA, USA* respectfully designate as

their representative Paul Melcher, 4FrontED Representative, to function as **International Academic Alliance ABS** liaisons and to coordinate the meetings of a **Permanent Coordination Group** composed of the representatives assigned by each of the respective University Deans. General communications should be addressed to the representatives in writing when it is particular to all of the members of the **International Academic Alliance ABS**. The above-mentioned liaisons will provide appropriate addresses or contact information to all members of the **Permanent Coordination Group**.

6. The parties agree to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rule, regulations and executive orders corresponding to their own country. This document is created based on good faith and in the case that a disagreement may arise, all parties agree to refer to the **Permanent Coordination Group** to resolve any issues.
7. Within the next ninety (90) days after the signing of this MOU, the parties will discuss and set an agenda and timetable for high priority activities to be implemented in the next twelve months.

SIGNATURES

UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA DE BAJA CALIFORNIA




JUAN JESÚS ALGRAVEZ URANGA
DEAN

Date: 3/29/17

THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS

for and on behalf of


THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA



JOEL HAUFF
ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT

Date: 3/29/17

INSTITUTO TECNOLÓGICO DE MEXICALI



FRANCISCO JAVIER ORTIZ SERRANO
PRINCIPAL

Date: 3/29/17

THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS

for and on behalf of

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY



RITA HARTUNG CHENG
PRESIDENT

Date: 3/29/17

UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE BAJA CALIFORNIA



OFICINA DEL ABOGADO GENERAL


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Juan Manuel Ocegueda Hernández

JUAN MANUEL OCEGUEDA HERNÁNDEZ
DEAN

Date: 12/5/17

THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS
for and on behalf of
THE ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

Mark Searle

MARK SEARLE
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AND
UNIVERSITY PROVOST

Date: 9/19/17

UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO

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SALVADOR RÁUL GONZÁLEZ VALENZUELA
DIRECTOR

Date: 3/29/17

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE

Daniel P. Corr

DANIEL P. CORR
PRESIDENT

Date: 3/29/17

POR LA UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE HERMOSILLO, SONORA

Adalberto Abdala Calderón Trujillo

ADALBERTO ABDALA CALDERÓN TRUJILLO
RECTOR

Date: 3/29/17

POR LA UNIVERSIDAD TECNOLÓGICA DE ETCHOJOA, SONORA

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PEDRO GUILLERMO MAR HERNÁNDEZ
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Date: _____

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DOUG NICHOLLS
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Date: 3/29/17




MARIA DE LOS ANGELES MURILLO FLORES
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Date: 3/29/17



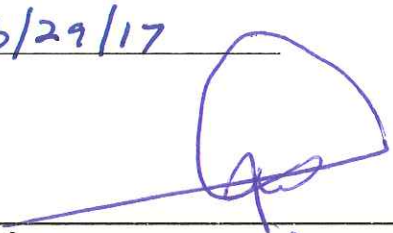
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DR. JOSÉ DAVID LEDEZMA TORRES
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ING. JAIME OLVERA GONZÁLEZ
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Date: 3/29/17

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