Agreement of Cooperation between

Universitaet Klagenfurt

and

University of Rijeka

The University of Rijeka, and the Universitaet Klagenfurt in recognition of their common interest in developing bilateral relations and convinced that cooperation between universities contributes to cultural enrichment, scientific progress, and the consolidation of friendship between countries, agree to establish the following Agreement of Cooperation.

I GENERAL STATEMENT

This Agreement of Cooperation will promote activities in the following principal areas:

Exchange of students

Exchange of faculty and academic staff

• Collaborative research, instructional and cultural programs, including publication activities of mutual interest, exchange of bibliographic materials and shared access to information networks

All activities developed under the auspices of this Agreement will respect and conform to the corresponding norms, traditions, and regulations of each University.

II STUDENT EXCHANGE

1) Number of Students to be Exchanged

The number of qualified students to be exchanged will be by mutual agreement between the two institutions. The current number is two students for the academic year 2012/2013 from each institution. Each institution will be notified of the names of recommended students at least three months prior to the intended commencement of the exchange period.

2) Student Program Fees/Benefits at Host Institution

Each student will pay his or her regular tuition and fees to the home institution and will receive these benefits from the host institution. Additional fees for special programs, any incidental fees, travel, housing, and meal cost will be the responsibility of the exchange student. The host institution agrees to arrange accommodation in the residence halls or assist in finding appropriate off-campus accommodations.

3) Documents

The host institution will provide all necessary documents for visa purposes. Students will be responsible for obtaining visas once they are in possession of these documents.

4) Insurance

Each participant must purchase the medical/health insurance required by the host or receiving institution. Each participant will pay for his/her own health and accident insurance.

5) Dependents

The obligations of each institution under this agreement are limited to the exchange of students and do not extend to spouses or dependents. Expenses of accompanying spouses and dependents are the responsibility of the exchange student.

6) Student Eligibility

It is understood that both institutions will strive to designate only well qualified individuals for participation in the program and that academic backgrounds as well as letters of recommendation will be provided to the host institution. Students must meet language proficiency requirements as established by the host institution.

7) Academic Status of Students

All students will remain enrolled as regular degree candidates at the home institution and will not be enrolled as candidates for degrees at the host institution. Credits toward the student's degree are to be awarded by the home institution. Students are expected to maintain the equivalent of a full course load at the host institution. Students enrolled in the host institution will be subject to the same rules and regulations as local students.

8) Exchange Coordinator

Each party to the agreement will appoint an officer who will be responsible for the coordination and administration of the exchange including the counseling of the exchange participants on demand. The name(s) of the coordinator(s) and the period of the responsibility are mutually announced simultaneously with the exchange of the signed agreement.

III EXCHANGE OF FACULTY AND ACADEMIC STAFF

The parties agree that, as a rule, faculty members of the partner institution shall be invited for short-term teaching assignment. Assignments by semester or academic year are possible, however. Payment for teaching may be made by the home institutions.

The persons on exchange and/or their home institution will take responsibility for any additional financial support of the exchange, such as aid for travel expenses and insurance.

V DURATION

This Agreement is established for the period of five academic years, from 2012/13 to 2016/2017.

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