# Agreement for the Reciprocal Student Exchange Programme between

# Otemon Gakuin University and Gujarat University

Otemon Gakuin University, Japan and Gujarat University, India hereby conclude an Agreement for The Reciprocal Student Exchange Program in order to cultivate a cordial relationship and promote cooperation in the higher education between the two universities.

## 1. Philosophy and objectives

1-1. This Japan-India (Otemon Gakuin University and Gujarat University) annual student exchange programme, after two years of preparation (1968-1969), was started in 1970 with the idea of imbuing the students of the respective universities with international and cross-cultural consciousness and understanding, thereby enabling them to study various areas of interest, develop global leadership, contribute to their respective societies in the future, and promote solid friendships and a cordial relationship between the students of the two universities and their respective countries.

## 2. Implementation of the Reciprocal Student Exchange Program

2-1. Both universities will send and accept two representative exchange students every year, for a minimum duration of one 10-week semester, either in the spring or the fall. Both universities shall confirm the period of the dispatch two months prior to the expected arrival.

#### 3. Procedure

To obtain the objectives of the exchange programme the respective host universities will provide the exchange students with:

- 3-1. an orientation; seminars; special lectures
- 3.2. opportunities to participate, if so desired by the exchange students, in university lectures of the regular curriculum;
- 3-3. arrangements for short study/ inspection trips;
- 3-4. arrangements for home stays to study the infrastructure of their host culture.

## 4. Waiver of the expenses

- 4-1. Both universities shall waive living expenses (room and board), tuition, sightseeing, short distance study trips and research expenses.
- 4-2. To and from (international travel) expenses will be borne by the respective home universities and/or the selected students concerned as may be decided in consultation with the home university.

## 5. Academic evaluation

5-1. Both universities shall carry out student evaluations of courses taken by the exchange students at the respective universities. If an academic evaluation is not required by the home university, the host university may not be necessarily obliged to submit the academic evaluation.



5.2. Both universities shall provide the home universities with syllabi and other materials describing the evaluated courses upon request by the home university.

#### 6. Healthcare and medical expenses

- 6-1. Regarding any health problems and emergency cases occurring during the exchange programme the respective universities will do their best to take the necessary action to address the student's health care.
- 6-2. If exchange students receive medical treatment for an injury and/or illness, all the expenses shall be borne by the exchange students.
- 6-3. Both universities shall ensure that outgoing exchange students are sufficiently covered by health and medical insurance for the duration of their stay at the host university. The home university shall send the host university photocopies of their insurance policies before the students' arrival.

#### 7. Problem-solving consultations

- 7-1. If any problems occur, they shall be resolved appropriately through mutualconsultation between the two universities.
- 7-2. In case of any untoward incidents or mishaps occurring during the duration of the study abroad (between Japan-India and India-Japan) all responsibility will rest with the exchange students themselves.

### 8. The language and effective term of these Agreements

- 8-1. These Guidelines shall be written in English. And an institutions shall keep a copy of each.
- 8-2. These Guidelines shall remain in effect for five (5) years and be automatically renewed unless other party provides six (6) months' advance written notice for termination.
- 8-3. Any request for modifications to these Guidelines must be submitted in writing one (1) year prior to the expiration of the term and be endorsed by both parties.

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