

AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLABORATIVE DELIVERY OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

This Agreement is entered into this 23 day of May, 2018, between Arkansas State University – Jonesboro (hereinafter referred to as “ASUJ”), United States of America, and Saitama University, located at 255 Shimo-Okubo, Sakura-ku, Saitama City, Saitama 338-8570 JAPAN (hereinafter referred to as “SU”), for the purpose of establishing a cooperative program through curriculum articulation and credit transfers which will develop a range of programs at and between ASUJ and SU.

1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

ASUJ and SU have entered into this Agreement for the purpose of fulfilling a shared desire of the two (2) universities in the areas of internationalization, modernization, and diversification of education, in order to improve the overall quality of education, with the advantages for both parties being complementary. ASUJ and SU, through consultation based on the principles of reciprocity and mutual benefit, have reached the following agreement to conduct a double bachelor’s degree program in Interdisciplinary Studies of ASUJ and Liberal Arts of SU (hereinafter referred to as “Cooperative Program”).

2. TERM

This Agreement shall be in effect as of the date above set out and shall remain in effect for five (5) years. The Agreement shall be renewed upon the mutual agreement of the parties. The Agreement may be cancelled for cause in the event any obligation of either party is not met within thirty (30) days following the issuance of written notice of a purported breach. The Agreement may be cancelled without cause by giving ninety (90) days’ written notice; however, ASUJ and SU agree to give a good faith effort to help registered and enrolled students meet their educational obligations.

3. AGENCY

All parties recognize and agree that ASUJ is an Agency of the State of Arkansas and that SU is an Agency of the National University Cooperation in Japan, and, as such, they have sovereign immunity. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to or shall be construed as waiving that sovereign immunity.

4. COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MODELS

A. The Cooperative Programs are to be set with a model of 2+2 which is carried out by curriculum articulation and credit transfers between ASUJ and SU. The specialties are: Interdisciplinary Studies from ASUJ and Liberal Arts from SU.

- B. The Details of the Models
- i. A “2+2 Bachelor’s Degree” will require two (2) years of study at both ASUJ and SU. This shall be accomplished by requiring that the first two (2) years of study shall occur at ASUJ and SU, and the last two (2) calendar years of study shall occur at whichever of ASUJ and SU the first two (2) years of study did not take place. The timing and duration that the study takes place are, however, subjects to be modified based on the progress of participants and / or mutual demands.
 - ii. Students who are going to participate in this program shall be undergraduate students registered at ASUJ majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies or SU majoring in Liberal Arts.
 - iii. Students will need to enroll and complete pre-approved courses with satisfactory grades to be admitted to the Cooperative Program. Any courses taken outside of the preapproved list may not be counted to qualify for admittance to the Cooperative Program.
 - iv. Students must have a TOEFL IBT score of 61 or an IELTS score of 5.5 to be eligible for the ASUJ degree courses. Any student who has failed to meet this requirement must enter and complete the A-State English as a Second Language program before they start the degree course.

5. OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES

ASUJ and SU shall meet the following obligations:

- A. Both parties will be responsible for promoting the program and enrolling students in the Cooperative Program at each campus.
- B. Both parties will be responsible for management of students at each campus.
- C. Both parties will be responsible for managing its facilities, including classrooms, computer labs, workshops, language labs, libraries, physical education places, and students’ dormitories.
- D. Both parties will be responsible for the delivery of their respective preapproved courses for two (2) calendar years of the Cooperative Program.
- E. Both parties will be responsible for the management and teaching quality at each respective campus.
- F. Both parties will acknowledge all the preapproved courses offered at both campuses for two (2) calendar years of the Cooperative Program.
- G. Both parties will be responsible for issuing their own diplomas conferring a Bachelor’s Degree to those students who have passed all the required exams and satisfied all the requirements of their respective degree programs.

- H. The party hosting students first enrolled with the other party (hereinafter referred to as “Host University”) will be responsible for transferring to the party under this Agreement at which the student was first enrolled (hereinafter referred to as “Home University”) those credits for pre-approved courses which are successfully completed by a student.
- I. Host University will be responsible for providing students who satisfy all entry requirements of the admission to Host University and have completed the necessary immigration forms allowing students to seek an immigration process and have obtained the necessary legal status to attend as a student to attend Host University.

6. IMPLEMENTATION

- A. Each party shall obtain the written consent of the other (in advance and prior to each use) before they may use the name and/or logo of the other party in any materials or communications not related to this Agreement.
- B. The parties agree to provide the necessary facilities and support for this Cooperative Program and staff visits where appropriate. Each party shall undertake their own travel and expenses in relation to visits to another party.

7. APPROVED COURSE EQUIVALENCIES

Saitama University and Arkansas State University Double Degree Program				
Degree Plan for SU Students				

Saitama University	Arkansas State University			
General Education (35 hrs)		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
Communication: 6 hours				
	ENG 1003 - Composition I		3	
	ENG 1013 - Composition II		3	
Math: 3 hours				
College Mathematics I + College Mathematics II + Probability Theory & Statistics (2 hrs each)	MATH 1023 College Algebra + Math 1043 Quantitative Reasoning (satisfies MATH Gen Ed)	3		
Science: 8 hours				
College Biology + College Molecular Biology	BIOL 1003 Biological Science or Biology of Cell	3		
	BIOL 1001 Biological Science Lab		1	
	PHSC 1203 - Physical Science		3	
	PHSC 1201 - Physical Science Lab		1	
Fine Arts & Humanities: 6 hours				
	ART 2503 Fine Arts Visual, MUS 2503 Fine Arts Music, or THEA 2503 Fine Arts Theater		3	
	ENG 2003 World Lit to 1660, ENG 2013 World Lit since 1660, or PHIL 1103 Intro to Philosophy		3	
Social Sciences: 9 hours				
Intro to Geography + Intro to Social Psychology (2 hrs each)	GEOG 2613 Intro to Geography	3		
Intro to Economics + Intro to International Politics (2 hrs each)	ECON 2333 Economic Issues & Concepts	3		
	HIST 2773 US History Since 1876, HIST 2763 US History to 1876, or POSC 2103 Intro to US Government		3	
Department Option: 3 hours (Per University College this will satisfy the Oral Communications requirement)				
*Intro to Sociology + Cultural Anthropology	SOC 2213 Intro to Sociology OR ANTH 2233 Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3		
Total General Education		15	20	35
Foreign Language and Cultural Studies Requirement				
		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
Intro to Eastern History - Lower Level		2		
Intro to American Culture I		2		
Intro to American Studies - Lower Level		2		
Total Foreign Language and Cultural Studies		6	0	6

**Thematic Courses (45 hours: 36 hours must be upper level):		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
Culture and Society				
Japanese Literature A	Upper Level Elective	2		
Japanese Literature B	Upper Level Elective	2		
Intro to Comparative Literature	Standard Elective	2		
Intro to Philosophy A	Standard Elective	2		
Oriental History	Upper Level Elective	2		
History of English Literature A	Upper Level Elective	2		
Principles of Econometrics : Learning and Practicing	ECON 2113 Business Statistics	3		
Seminar in American Studies I	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in American Studies III	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in American Culture Studies I	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in American Studies IV	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in American Culture and Society III	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in American Culture and Society IV	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in the History of US-Japan Relations I	Standard Elective	2		
Seminar in the History of US-Japan Relations II	Standard Elective	2		
International Development Policy and Management	Standard Elective	2		
Developmental Sociology	Standard Elective	2		
Global Governance Theory and Cases	POSC 3303 Intro to International Politics	3		
Contemporary History of International Politics	Upper Level Elective	2		
Peaceful Resolution of International Dispute	Upper Level Elective	2		
Anthropological Archaeology	Standard Elective	2		
Urban Geography	Standard Elective	2		
Rural Geography	Standard Elective	2		
Religious Anthropology	Standard Elective	2		
History of Information Media and Systems	Standard Elective	2		
Physical Geomorphology	Standard Elective	2		
Upper Level Electives	Upper Level Electives		22	
Total Thematic Courses		23	22	45

	Major Courses	Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
	Experiential Learning Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 2023, Introduction to Service Learning 3		3	
	IDS 3023, Advanced Service Learning 3		3	
	Research Course Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 2013, Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies 3		3	

	IDS 3013, Critical Thinking in the Profession 3		3	
	Leadership Development Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 4023, Leadership in the Profession 3		3	
	Senior Capstone Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 4013, Seminar in Professional Development		3	
	Total Major Courses	0	18	18

		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
Electives (13 hours)				
History of Visual Arts		2		
Theories and Principles of Mass Communications		2		
Intro to Dynamics		2		
College Chemistry		2		
College Physics		2		
German Music II		2		
Exercises on Earth Science		1		
Elective - To Replace First Year Studies		3		
Total Electives		16	0	16
Total Credit Hours		60	60	120

*Per University College, Intro to Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 2233) can replace the General Education requirement for Oral Communications (COMS 1203)

** More than 45 hours are listed here, but all of these courses may transfer in.

These courses can substitute for the 6 hours for Foreign Language Requirement: As long as they are Culture courses not in their native culture

These courses were approved by the departments to transfer for specific course credit as a match to ASUJ course

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Degree Plan for ASUJ Students

Saitama University	Arkansas State University			
General Education (35 hours)		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
	UC 1013 Making Connections		3	
Communication: 6 hours				
	ENG 1003 - Composition I		3	
	ENG 1013 - Composition II		3	
Math: 3 hours				
	MATH 1023 College Algebra		3	
Life Science: 4 hours (Choose One Selection)				
	BIOL 1003 AND BIOL 1001 Biological Science + Lab		4	
	BIO 2013 AND 2011 Biology of the Cell + Lab		4	
	BIOL 1033 AND 1001 Biology of Sex + Lab		4	
	BIOL 1063 AND 1001 People & Environment + Lab		4	
	BIO 2103 AND 2101 Microbiology for Nursing and Allied Health + Lab		4	
	BIO 2203 AND 2201 Human Anatomy and Physiology I + Lab		4	
Physical Science: 4 hours (Choose One Selection)				
	CHEM 1013 AND 1011 General Chemistry I + Lab		4	
	CHEM 1043 AND 1041 Fundamental Concepts of Chemistry + Lab		4	
	GEOL 1003 AND 1001 Environmental Geology + Lab		4	
	PHSC 1203 AND 1201 Physical Science + Lab		4	
	PHYS 1103 AND 1101 Intro to Space Science + Lab		4	
	PHSC 1014 Energy and the Environment		4	
	PHYS 2034 University Physics I		4	
Fine Arts & Humanities: 6 hours				
	ART 2503 Fine Arts Visual, MUS 2503 Fine Arts Music, OR THEA 2503 Fine Arts Theater		3	
	ENG 2003 World Lit to 1660, ENG 2013 World Lit since 1660, OR PHIL 1103 Intro to Philosophy		3	
Social Sciences: 9 hours (POSC 2103 is Required, 6 hours Required from Non-HIST courses)				
	POSC 2103 Introduction to US Government		3	
	ANTH 2233 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology		3	
	CMAC 1003 Mass Communications in Modern Society		3	
	ECON 2313 Principles of Macroeconomics		3	

	ECON 2333 Economic Issues and Concepts		3	
	GEOG 2613 Introduction to Geography		3	
	HIST 1013 World Civilization to 1660		3	
	HIST 1023 World Civilization Since 1660		3	
	HIST 2763 U.S. History to 1876		3	
	HIST 2773 U.S. History Since 1876		3	
	POSC 1003 Introduction to Politics		3	
	PSY 2013 Introduction to Psychology		3	
	SOC 2213 Introduction to Sociology		3	
Department Option: 3 hours				
	COMS 1203 Oral Communications		3	
Total General Education		0	38	38
Foreign Language and Cultural Studies Requirement (Choose One Selection)				
		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
	FR 1013 AND FR 1023 Elementary French I + II		6	
	GER 1013 AND GER 1023 Elementary German I + II		6	
	SPAN 1013 AND SPAN 1023 Elementary Spanish I + II		6	
Total Foreign Language and Cultural Studies		0	6	6
**Thematic Courses (60 hours: 36 hours must be upper level):				
	Culture and Society	Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
Basic Courses (8 hours from the following)				
JPST 1072 Investigating Japanese Art History via Contemporary Visual Media		2		
JPST 1082 Pre-Modern Japanese Literature		2		
JPST 1092 Modern Japanese Literature		2		
HIST 1082 Pre-Modern Japanese History		2		
JPST 3192 Introduction to Japanese Culture		2		
Methodology (6 hours from the following)				
	HIST 3333 The Practice of History		3	
	PHIL 3623 Eastern Philosophy		3	
Lectures (20 hours from the following)				
HIST 3152 Worlds of the Samurai		2		
JPST 3132 Animation Studies I		2		
JPST 3142 Animation Studies II		2		
JPST 3162 The Traditional Performing Arts in		2		

Japan				
JPST 3202 Edo Culture and the Bad Places?		2		
JPST 3212 Justice and the Vendetta Culture in Pre-Modern Japan		2		
JPST 4452 Colloquium in Pre-Modern Japanese History		2		
JPST 4462 Seminar in Pre-Modern Japanese History		2		
JPST 4472 Seminar in Modern Japanese History		2		
JPST 4482 Seminar in Early Japanese Literature		2		
JPST 4492 Seminar on the Performing Arts in Pre-Modern Japan		2		

Seminar Courses (14 hours from the following)

HIST 4252 The Golden Age of the Heian Court		2		
HIST 4272 Gender & Family in Traditional Japan		2		
HIST 4282 What is History?		2		
HIST 4292 Studies in Pre-Modern Japanese History I		2		
HIST 4302 Studies in Pre-Modern Japanese History II		2		
JPST 3172 Edo Culture and the "Bad Places"		2		
JPST 4312 Seminar in Visual Communication Design and Media Art I		2		
JPST 4322 Seminar in Visual Communication Design and Media Art II		2		
JPST 4332 Seminar in Visual Communication Design and Media Art III		2		
JPST 4342 Seminar in Visual Communication Design and Media Art IV		2		
JPST 4352 Seminar in Visual Communication Design and Media Art V		2		
JPST 4362 Seminar in Visual Communication Design and Media Art VI		2		
JPST 4382 Justice and the Vendetta Culture in Pre-Modern Japan		2		

Multicultural Perspective Courses (4 hours from the following)

ASST 2082 Contemporary Art and Media in the Asian-Pacific Region I		2		
ASST 2092 Contemporary Arts and Media in the Asian-Pacific Region II		2		

Graduation Thesis (8 hours)

Graduation Thesis		8		
Total Thematic Courses		54	6	60

	Major Courses	Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
	Experiential Learning Sem. Hrs.			

	IDS 2023, Introduction to Service Learning		3	
	IDS 3023, Advanced Service Learning		3	
	Research Course Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 2013, Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies		3	
	IDS 3013, Critical Thinking in the Profession		3	
	Leadership Development Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 4023, Leadership in the Profession		3	
	Senior Capstone Sem. Hrs.			
	IDS 4013, Seminar in Professional Development		3	
	Total Major Courses	0	18	18

Electives (13 hours, 10 Must be from Saitama)		Course taken at SU	Course taken at ASUJ	Total
AMST 2052 History of US Foreign Relations		2		
AMST 2062 History of US-Japan Relations		2		
AMST 3122 Seminar in the History of US-Japan Relations I		2		
AMST 3132 Seminar in the History of US-Japan Relations II		2		
IDEV 1022 Introduction to Development Economics		2		
IDEV 2022 Principles of Economics: Learning and Practicing		2		
IDEV 2052 Development Economics I		2		
IDEV 2062 Development Economics II		2		
IDEV 3032 Finance and Monetary Economics in Developing Countries		2		
IDEV 3062 International Development Policy and Management		2		
IDEV 4052 Seminar in Development Economics I		2		
IDEV 4062 Seminar in Development Economics II		2		
IDEV 4072 Seminar in Development Economics III		2		
IDEV 4082 Seminar in Development Economics IV		2		
IREL 3152 Contemporary International Affairs		2		
IREL 3222 Japanese Culture		2		
	CHIN 1013 Elementary Chinese I		3	
	CHIN 1036 Accelerated Elementary Chinese		3	
	HIST 4133 History of Ancient China		3	
	HIST 4143 The Rise of Modern China		3	
Total Electives		10	3	13
Total Credit Hours		64	71	135

8. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be considered in default in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. “Force Majeure” shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party affected, brought to the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, wind, or flood, or because of any law, order, proclamation, ruling, regulation, or ordinance of any government or subdivision of government, or because of any act of God.

9. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any contemporaneous or previous written or oral agreements, representations, or undertakings concerning the matters and arrangements provided for in this Agreement. No supplement, modification, or amendment to this Agreement will be binding unless such supplement, modification, or amendment is in writing and signed by all parties.

10. WAIVER

A waiver of any provisions of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any other provision whether similar or not, nor will any waiver on one occasion constitute a continuing or permanent waiver.

11. NOTICE

Any request, notice, or other communication to be given under this Agreement must be in writing and delivered personally or by messenger, courier service, or sent by registered, certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, as follows:

To Arkansas State University – Jonesboro, U.S.A.:

Dr. Lynita Cooksey, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor and Provost
Office of the Provost
P.O. Box 179
State University, Arkansas 72467
United States of America

To Saitama University:

Dr. Ichiro Miyata
Associate Professor
Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Saitama University
255 Shimo-Okubo, Sakura-ku, Saitama City,
Saitama 338-8570 JAPAN

All notices will be considered effective upon receipt if delivered personally, by messenger, by courier service, or by registered mail.

12. SUCCESSORS

The terms, warranties, and agreements herein contained shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

13. TUITION AND FEES

Tuition and fees are based on the amounts set by Host University and students will pay the university they attend. ASUJ students will pay the standard tuition of SU while being at SU, and SU students will pay the in-state tuition of ASUJ while being at ASUJ under this Agreement.

14. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, including facsimile copies, each of which will be considered to be an original. All counterparts together will constitute the same instrument. The signing of this Agreement at different times and places by the parties will not affect the validity of this Agreement.

15. SEVERABILITY

Any provisions herein declared invalid under any law shall not invalidate any other provisions of this Agreement.

16. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, TREATIES, RULES AND REGULATIONS

All parties agree to comply with all laws, statutes, treaties, rules, and regulations governing the provisions of this Agreement. As for other matters or issues that may occur during the program implementation, such issues should be discussed through meetings and negotiations with the intention of achieving consensus. If any dispute occurs in the

course of the program implementation between ASUJ and SU, both parties agree to resolve all differences in a friendly manner, whenever possible.

17. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. **FERPA Compliance and Personal Data Protection:** SU is a designated school official with a legitimate educational interest in storing, accessing, transmitting to, and receiving from ASUJ only the educational records of those Participating Student Applicants under this Agreement.

In accordance with the laws of each country on protection of personal data, the parties agree that the personal data provided by the parties, for cases in which the personal data is regarding a natural person or representatives of a legal entity, will be incorporated into a file and/or database which shall be owned by each of the parties. The purpose of providing the data is for the activities of this Agreement, as well as the maintenance of contact on both sides.

In compliance with current regulations, the parties guarantee that they have adopted the technical and organizational measures necessary to protect the data under the same standards which are used to protect said party's own data, provided that in no case shall that be less than a reasonable standard of protection. In addition, the parties shall not assign or communicate the personal data stored in their files and/or databases to third parties, except when necessary for the performance as outlined under this Agreement, when required by law or the order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or upon the written consent of the other party.

- B. **Compliance with Anti-Kickback Legislation:** Anti-Kickback Enforcement Act of 1986, Public Law 99-634 (41 USCA §§51-58) - By agreeing to this Agreement, the parties (1) certify that they have not paid kickbacks directly or indirectly to any employee of ASUJ or SU for the purpose of obtaining this or any other agreement, purchase order, or contract from ASUJ and; (2) agree to cooperate fully with any Federal Agency investigating a possible violation of the Act. Furthermore, both parties recognize their duties under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 (15 USCA §§78dd-1) which makes it unlawful for certain classes of persons and entities to make payments to foreign government officials to assist in obtaining or retaining business.
- C. **Compliance with Export Control Laws:** Each party shall be responsible for adhering to all applicable international and domestic import/export control laws.

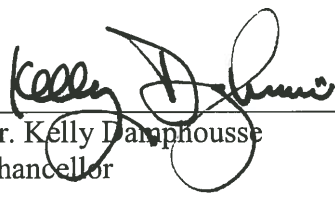
This Agreement will take effect upon the signature of both parties.

The Agreement will have two (2) original copies in English and each party keeps one (1) original copy.


The parties hereby sign this Agreement for the Collaborative Delivery of Academic Programs by their duly authorized officers as of the date and year above stated.

Arkansas State University – Jonesboro

Saitama University



Dr. Kelly Dampousse
Chancellor




Dr. Hiroki Yamaguchi
President

Date May 23, 2018

Date May 23, 2018



Dr. Jill Simons
Associate Vice Chancellor for Retention and
Completion



Dr. Hideo Ichihashi
Dean, Faculty of Liberal Arts

Date 6/14/18

Date May 23, 2018