AGREEMENT OF ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNIVERSIDADE FEDEERAL DA BAHIA, BRASIL AND THE OBAFEMI AWOLOWO UNIVERSITY, ILE-IFE, NIGERIA



Agreement signed between the UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA BAHIA on the one hand, and the OBAFEMI AWOLOWO UNIVERSITY, ILE-IFE, NIGERIA, on the other.

A UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA BAHIA, an institution of higher learning under the Ministry of Education and Sports, endowed with a Special Degree of Autonomy, with its Secretariat located at Rua Augusto Viana (without number), Canela, in this city of Salvador, Bahia, registered at the CGMF under No.15.180.714/0001-4, hereinafter referred to as UFBA, and herein represented by its rector, Prof. Noamar Monteiro de Almeida FILHO, Brazilian, married, and the OBAFEMI AWOLOWO UNIVERSITY, NIGERIA, founded in 1962, herein represented by its Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Michael A. FABORODE, hereinafter referred to as OAU, hereby jointly agree to abide by the provisions of Regulation No. 2 of 19.04.93 of the National Treasury Office (Secretaria do Tesouro Nacional) as well as the determinations of Decree No. 8.666/93, and under the terms of the clauses hereunder:

CLAUSE ONE:

The aim of this Agreement is to promote and regulate academic exchange between UFBA and OAU, involving both academic staff (lecturers and research fellows) and students (at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels).

CLAUSE TWO:

The exchange shall be conducted at the highest possible degree of reciprocity, in principle, with an equal number of exchange persons from each party in each corresponding category (lecturers/research fellows and students) over identical periods of time.

CLAUSE THREE

During the period of validity of this Agreement, each institution shall endeavour to send and receive at least one participant in one of the two categories stipulated by this Agreement that is lecturers/research fellows and students. The admission of additional participants in any category during a given academic session shall be determined by mutual consent.

CLAUSE FOUR:

Each Institution shall select its participants in this exchange programme in accordance with its own criteria and submit the names of such candidates for approval by the other Institution.





CLAUSE FIVE:

It is hereby understood that the participants (lecturers/research fellows and students) shall have adequate proficiency in the appropriate foreign language to enable him/her to perform satisfactorily in the host Institution, that is, Portuguese or Spanish language for the African participants, and for the Brazilian participants one of the following languages: English, Spanish, French and Yoruba.



CLAUSE SIX:

The participants in this exchange programme shall be responsible for their own transport and accommodation. Each host Institution shall place its facilities of language laboratory and language courses for foreigners within its local premises at the disposal of the participants from the sister Institution.

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CLAUSE SEVEN:

The period of stay of students shall normally be for one or more school periods of the host Institution (such as a semester, an academic year, a special summer session) totaling not more than one academic year.

CLAUSE EIGHT:

Neither of the two Institutions shall charge registration fees on exchange students from the other Institution.

CLAUSE NINE:

All other expenses concerning academic objectives laid down in this Exchange Agreement (such as trips, insurance, accommodation and books) shall be the responsibility of each participating student.

CLAUSE TEN:

In the event of one of the parties to this Agreement not being able to send any participating student during a given academic year, the other Institution can continue to send the usual number of students. The Institution, which has not been able to send any student during a given year shall have the right to send one extra student in the following year. Any shortfall of this type in the exchange shall, as much as possible, be made up for within two years.

CLAUSE ELEVEN:

Each exchange student's official transcript of academic performance shall be sent directly to his/her home Institution, in accordance with the express determinations of the latter.

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CLAUSE TWELVE:

Lecturers and Research Fellows selected for the exchange programme should be approved by the host institution, depending on its needs and the availability of facilities during the proposed period.





CLAUSE THIRTEEN:

It is the intension of this Agreement that, in the absence of external sources of finance, the lecturers and research fellows on the exchange programme shall continue to receive their full monthly salaries from their home institution, without losing any of the normal benefits and entitlements during the period of their participation in the exchange programme.



CLAUSE FOURTEEN:

UFBA and OAU hereby agree to provide office space as well as academic and administrative support for the visiting lecturers and research fellows, including access to library and computer services, if resources for the latter are available. Any extra support - such as research grants, rent subsidy or allowance and transport claims from the host Institution shall depend on a special arrangement made prior to or during the period of exchange.

CLAUSE FIFTEEN:

The host institution shall arrange to pay a commensurate local salary to the visiting lecturer participating in the exchange programme for his monthly upkeep while in the host institution and country.

CLAUSE SIXTEEN:

Lecturers on exchange shall establish a mutually acceptable teaching load with their host Institution before or at the beginning of the period, which should not exceed three courses per semester (12 hours per week). If a lecturer spends a whole academic year, the workload shall cover two semesters, with the rest of the time dedicated to research. The research fellows on exchange shall determine a mutually acceptable research programme with the host institution before or at the beginning of the period.

CLAUSE SEVENTEEN:

UFBA and OAU are not responsible for the transport, insurance, educational and maintenance expenses of lecturers and research fellows and their dependants, though there can be special arrangement to that effect under the exclusive responsibility of the home institution.

CLOSING REMARKS

CLAUSE EIGHTEEN
This present Agreement shall come into effect on the date it is signed by the duly authorized representatives of both participating institutions.

CLAUSE NINETEEN:

This present Agreement shall be valid for a period of 05 (five) years, subject to renewal at the instance of the contracting parties.

CLAUSE TWENTY

This present Agreement may be amended at any moment by mutual consent between the participating institutions.





CLAUSE TWENTY-ONE:

This present Agreement can be rescinded at any moment by one of the institutions with at least six months prior notice, without prejudice to those who may be participating in an exchange programme at that time.



CLAUSE TWENTY-TWO:

This Agreement is subject to approval by the Nigerian Ministry of Education and its Brazilian counterpart, in accordance with the relevant national laws.

Signed in the city of Salvador, this and day of September 2008.

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Ву,

of Naomar Monteiro de Almeida Filho Reitor

Universidade Federal de Bahia (UFBA)

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rof, Michael O. Faborode Vice-Chancellor

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