



EXCHANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA BAHIA, BRASIL AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OSLO, NORWAY

Postgraduate Program in Psychology (PPGPSI), Universidade Federal da Bahia (UFBA) and the Department of Special Needs Education, University of Oslo, recognising the benefit of educational and cultural co-operation which can be achieved between our institutions, enter into this agreement to facilitate the exchange of students and scholars.

The project goal is to establish a multilateral student mobility at MA level in the field of inclusion in education (special needs education, social inclusion, multiculturality), between institutions.

1. DEFINITIONS

- i) For the purposes of this agreement, "home" institution shall mean the institution at which the students intend to graduate and "host" institution shall mean the institution which has agreed to accept the student from the home institution.
- ii) Semester or academic year shall normally refer to the period relevant to the host institution.

2. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

- i) The general purpose of this agreement is to establish educational relations and cooperation between the two participating institutions in order to promote academic linkages and to widen the understanding of the culture of the two countries concerned.
- ii) The purpose of each student exchange is to enable students to enrol in subjects or project work at the host institution, which will be applied towards their degree at their home institution.
- The purpose of exchanges between Faculty members is to promote collaborative research, other educational developments and to further mutual understanding.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS AND STUDENTS

Each institution shall undertake all reasonable measures in order to ensure the success of this exchange program.

 Each institution agrees to accept and enrol exchange students as full time, "non-award/nondegree" students for the duration of their exchange.

ii) Each student will be provided with the same academic resources and support service that are

available to all students at the host institution.

iii) It will be the responsibility of each student to obtain official recognition from his or her home institution for subjects taken or project work done at the host institution, if relevant.

iv) It is the responsibility of the exchange student to ensure he or she obtains a copy of his or her official academic results covering the subjects or project work taken during the period of the

exchange.

Exchange students will be subject to the rules and procedures as specified by the host institution for the academic period in which the student enrols. The home institution will have responsibility for all matters concerning recognition of credits for subjects taken at the host institution.

4. NUMBERS

Exchange one academic semester

- Subject to the availability of suitable candidates each institution will in total offer eight (8) places during the period of the agreement, 2021-25. Each exchange is for one academic semester. Project funding is limited for 3 months per student, and is free of tuition.
- ii) In principle, the exchange of students will occur on a one for one basis. This number may vary in any given year, but over the project period (2021-2025) the total number of students participating shall be equal as far as possible.
- iii) The number of exchange students every academic year from each institution will on average be two (2) students.

Summer school

- iv) From Department of Special Needs, University of Oslo, a maximum of eight (8) students at master degree (MA) level in the project may participate in the Summer School (accelerator seminars) at Postgraduate Program in Psychology, Federal University of Bahia, during the period of the agreement, 2021-25.
- v) From Postgraduate Program in Psychology, Federal University of Bahia, a maximum of eight (8) students at master degree (MA) level in the project may participate in the Summer School at Department of Special Needs, University of Oslo, during the period of the agreement, 2021-25.

5. SELECTION AND ENROLMENT OF STUDENTS

It is expected that only postgraduate students of high academic quality will be selected to participate in an exchange program. The selection of participants in the exchange program is the responsibility of the home institution. Postgraduate students are eligible to participate if they:

i) have completed at least one year of full time study at their home institution;

- ii) are enrolled at their home and host institution for the full period of the exchange;
- iii) are approved by their home Faculty and host institution, and are deemed academically qualified to successfully complete the nominated subjects or project work at the host institution.
- iv) have satisfied any language proficiency requirements of the host institution.

Each institution will send the other completed applications for their students at least twelve (12) weeks before the beginning of the entry semester. The host institution reserves the right of final approval of the admission of a student.

6. RESPONSIBILITIES OF INSTITUTIONS

Exchange students will be provided with the following by the host institution at no cost to the student:

Tuition (a reasonable fee to cover the use of non academic facilities may apply if relevant)
Orientation Program
Reports and Statement of Results

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Exchange students will be financially responsible for:

Travel to and from the host institution
Books, stationery, etc.
Travel documentation, visas, etc.
Travel, accommodation and living expenses
Student Association/General Services Charges
International insurance coverage relevant to the exchange situation

Students shall be responsible for obtaining adequate medical/health insurance coverage to the satisfaction of the host institution. Students from the UiO are covered by the Norwegian Insurance Office for Social Insurance Abroad.

Exchange students will be subject to the rules and regulations of the host institution. Any breach of these rules will be dealt with in accordance with the disciplinary policy of the host university.

Participation in an exchange under this agreement carries no expectation of subsequent transfer to the regular degree programs of the host university.

8. ACCOMMODATION

Every effort will be made to assist students to obtain accommodation within reasonable distance from the campus. Students must also be made aware that they are responsible for all costs associated with accommodation.

9. EXCHANGE STUDENTS FAMILIES

The obligations of the universities under this agreement are limited to exchange students only and do no extend to spouses or dependants. Where family arrangements are proposed, these are subject to approval by the host institution on the understanding that all additional expenses incurred by accompanying spouses and dependants are the responsibility of the exchange student.

10. FACULTY AND STAFF EXCHANGES

The two institutions recognise the benefit derived from the exchange of Academic staff and Administrative staff. The details of such arrangements will be negotiated as appropriate and will be governed by the institutional staffing rules and relevant approval processes.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY

The designated operational units of the parties, for purposes of developing and implementing the terms of this agreement are:

For The University of Oslo: Sibel eller Siri

For Federal University of Bahia (UFBA): Advice for International Affairs and the Postgraduate Program in Psychology (PPGPSI)

Either party may change its designated operational officer by written notification to the designated operational officer of the other party.

12. EXCHANGE PROGRAM REVIEW

Both institutions will be responsible for regularly reviewing the exchange program at least every two years. The review is essential in order to make appropriate and mutually agreed modifications as may be required and to identify new opportunities for co-operation in scholarship and research.

13. INDEMNITY

Both parties will answer and defend only that responsibility and resultant legal duty, involving personal injury and damage to property, which is based upon or arises from their respective negligent acts or omissions which may occur in connection with this Agreement. Each of the parties undertakes to ensure that any student sent under this Agreement is adequately insured, in order to minimise any possible damage that might be incurred by the receiving institution as a consequence of the student's stay.

14. PERIOD OF AGREEMENT

This agreement will come into effect from the date of signature by both parties and will remain in force for an initial period of five years and may be renewed by mutual consent. The agreement may be terminated by either party provided six months written notice is given the other party.

15. SIGNATURE

This agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. No amendment, consent or waiver of terms of this agreement shall bind either party unless in writing and signed by all parties.

This agreement is made in two copies, in English and in Portuguese. In the event of any conflict between the English language version and the Portuguese language version, the English text will prevail.

The agreement has been accepted by the Rector of the University of Oslo, Norway and the Rector of Universidade Federal da Bahia.

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João Carlos Salles Pires da Silva Rector Universidade Federal da Bahia

Date: 15th September 2021.

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Rector University of Oslo

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Date:

