MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK
AND
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

In order to formalize the scholarly exchange agreement between University College Cork and Iowa State University, hereafter referred to as UCC and Iowa State, the two universities subscribe to the statement of principles and procedures given below and to the terms of agreement attached regarding the responsibilities which each institution undertakes as its part of the reciprocal exchange.

Believing in the critical importance of students gaining an understanding of the interdependence of all peoples of the world, UCC and Iowa State agree to the establishment of a reciprocal exchange of students between their respective institutions.

The universities therefore agree jointly to support the exchange of students between the two educational institutions by:
- Establishing a university body, or utilizing existing bodies, to provide oversight to the exchange program and to consider and rule on policy matters relating to the program.
- Selecting on an annual basis one or more students to be considered by the receiving university for admission and placement in an appropriate program of study and/or for placement in a practical training position. UCC and Iowa State will send students majoring in the agricultural sciences. Upon mutual agreement, UCC and Iowa State may send students majoring in other disciplines.
- Agreeing to accept as equivalent each other’s tuition fee level, residence provisions, length of academic year, teaching methods, examinations, and related provisions.
- Providing pre-departure orientation for own students and post-arrival orientation for guest students by utilizing existing programs or establishing special programs.
- Agreeing to pursue the possibility of expanding this agreement to include staff/faculty visits and exchanges and research projects.

This agreement is initially for a five-year period, extendible by mutual agreement.

Iowa State University

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Provost

Date

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TERMS OF AGREEMENT FOR A RECIPROCAL
STUDENT EXCHANGE BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK
AND
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SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS
The selection procedure by which reciprocal exchange candidates are nominated is the responsibility of the sending institution. The candidates may be a mixture of undergraduate and graduate. The number sent by each institution each year will be decided upon by mutual agreement and reciprocity will be based on Student Credit Hours.

Each institution reserves the right to require candidates to complete the standard admission documents and to provide the results of any required entrance examinations.

Each institution reserves the right to accept or reject each candidate for admission on the basis of regular academic selection criteria and to accord appropriate students status at the time of admission. It is also understood that certain candidates may be rejected on account of shortage of faculty or lack of student places and other teaching or research facilities.

The acceptance of exchangees is conditional on obtaining the necessary immigration and travel clearance. The receiving institution will endeavor to assist in obtaining the proper documents.

Three months prior to the planned arrival of the students, each institution will send to the other full information on the students nominated to fill the allocated places.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM
Iowa State University will enroll accepted UCC exchangees as full time special non-degree students for one regular semester of the academic year. UCC students may enroll in regular Iowa State University courses for which they have the appropriate prior study and which are appropriate to the needs of the UCC curriculum.

At the end of the academic semester Iowa State University will send to UCC a report on the academic achievement of the UCC students. This report will take the form of an official transcript.

University College Cork will enroll accepted ISU exchangees as full time special non-degree students for one regular semester of the academic year. ISU students may enroll in regular University College Cork courses for which they have the appropriate prior study and which are appropriate to the needs of the ISU curriculum.

At the end of the academic semester University College Cork will send to ISU a report on the academic achievement of the ISU students. This report will take the form of an official transcript.
STUDENT FINANCES
Iowa State University and UCC students will pay tuition fees to their home university.

Room and meal costs, travel, health and accident insurance, books and supplies, and incidental expenses are the responsibility of the individual exchangee, except as the sending institution may determine otherwise.

The receiving institution will reserve appropriate university housing for each exchangee. Arrangements for other than university housing must be negotiated on an individual basis.

The receiving institution will provide, in advance, a list of estimated living expenses for the information of the exchangees. The exchangees will be entitled to the use of all host university facilities on the same basis as home students.

EXCEPTIONS, AMENDMENTS
For conditions of the exchange not covered by this memorandum of agreement or for problems which arise during the course of the exchange agreement, both parties agree to refrain from unilateral action and to consult and negotiate mutually agreeable decisions on such problems as may arise from time to time.

Amendments to the agreement may be made at any time by agreement of the parties through the exchange of letters. Such amendments shall be added in the form of appendices.

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TERMS OF AGREEMENT FOR A RECIPROCAL 
PRACTICAL TRAINING PROGRAM BETWEEN 
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK 
AND 
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS

The selection procedure by which practical training candidates are nominated is the responsibility of the sending institution. These candidates will normally be undergraduates but, upon mutual agreement, may be graduates. The agreed ratio for exchange will be one-for-one. The number sent by each institution each year will be decided upon by mutual agreement as will the duration of each students stay. If the number of students exchanged is out of balance at the end of the agreement, the agreement will continue until a balance has been reached.

Each institution reserves the right to accept or reject each candidate for admission on the basis of lack of appropriate position availability. It is also understood that certain candidates may be rejected on account of shortage of faculty or lack of student places and other teaching or research facilities.

The acceptance of exchangees is conditional on obtaining the necessary immigration and travel clearance. The receiving institution will endeavor to assist in obtaining the proper documents. Three months prior to the planned arrival of the students, each institution will send the student information necessary for processing the necessary paperwork, visas and training placement.

STUDENT FINANCES

The costs of lodging, meals, travel, health and accident insurance, supplies and incidental expenses are the responsibility of the individual exchangee, except as the sending institution may determine otherwise.

The receiving institution will provide, in advance, a list of estimated living expenses for each current academic year, for the information of the exchangees.

The exchangees will be entitled to the use of all host university facilities on the same basis as home students.
PRACTICAL TRAINING PLACEMENTS

The receiving institution will assist the student in finding a practical training position relevant to their area of academic study. Placement may be in university or industry. The receiving institution will also assist each student in finding appropriate housing and transportation in relation to the work placement.

It is the intent of both institutions to provide stipends and/or accommodations for students participating in the practical training program. Funding sources for the practical training program may change from year to year, therefore an annual work plan will be drafted each year of the agreement that will outline expected stipends and a detail of potential costs to the students.

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