

**Cooperative Academic Agreement
Between
Guangdong University of Business Studies
And
The Arizona Board of Regents
On Behalf of
Northern Arizona University**

In view of a common commitment to global education, to continue to promote understanding and goodwill, to strengthen cultural ties, and to broaden the experience and horizons of faculty and students, Guangdong University of Business Studies (hereinafter referred to as GUBS) and The Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Northern Arizona University, (hereinafter referred to as NAU) agree to enter into a cooperative academic relationship for the purpose of providing academic experiences for students and opportunities for faculty exchanges. The following are the terms of this agreement:

Principles of Dual Degree

1. On the basis of the 2+2 model, GUBS undergraduate students will complete the first two years of coursework at GUBS and then enroll at NAU for the last two years or until the requirements for the program of study have been completed.
2. Upon successful completion of all requirements, GUBS students will be awarded a bachelors degree from NAU and a bachelors degree from GUBS.

Eligibility

1. GUBS students are eligible to enroll in any program NAU to which transfer students are admitted.
2. GUBS will review applications to ensure that students recommended to NAU meet the requirements of NAU Office of International Admissions in terms of GPA and TOEFL scores, and have sufficient academic preparation for the programs of study they wish to pursue.
3. NAU will consider the applications of all students enrolled at and nominated by GUBS for participation in any program covered by this agreement.

Admission and Enrollment

1. GUBS will submit dossiers containing all of the documents required for admission to NAU to the designated staff person at the Center for International Education.
2. Applications must be submitted prior to the published deadlines.
3. NAU reserves the right to make the final admission decision regarding all applications.
4. NAU will offer an orientation program to all newly admitted GUBS students at the start of each semester and will provide assistance with the registration process to GUBS students.

Academic Credit and Advising Issues

1. GUBS students will receive appropriate academic advising by NAU staff and faculty prior to the start of their program of study.
2. NAU considers enrollment in 12 credits to constitute a full course of study in a given semester and necessary for completion of the program of study within the time frame prescribed.
3. No representations are given to GUBS regarding the time in which they will complete the requirements of their program of study.
4. The academic transcript reflecting each student's performance will be sent to GUBS at the conclusion of each student's period of study.

Academic and Disciplinary Regulations

1. GUBS students will be expected to remain in good academic and disciplinary standing in accordance with the rules that apply to regularly enrolled students at NAU. NAU reserves the right to dismiss students from the program and NAU if they fail to comply in this regard.
2. NAU agrees to make GUBS students aware of its academic and disciplinary policies and procedures during orientation and in various written material.

Housing

1. NAU undertakes to make all reasonable efforts to locate and provide suitable on-campus accommodation for GUBS students, provided the appropriate housing forms are completed and returned to NAU by the deadline dates.

2. NAU guarantees temporary housing upon arrival to GUBS students.

Health Insurance

All GUBS students enrolled at NAU are required to purchase the student health insurance provided through NAU and will be eligible to use the campus Student Health Center.

Access to Facilities

GUBS students will be granted the same access to university facilities as regularly enrolled NAU students, including the library, computing, sports and social facilities.

Student Integration

NAU will make every reasonable effort to integrate GUBS students into life in the United States and international student life by integrating them into regular undergraduate courses and providing a range of programming options through student organizations, etc.

Financial Arrangements

1. NAU will bill GUBS students for the tuition, housing costs and other fees incurred in a given semester.
2. GUBS students are responsible for all other costs associated with their stay at NAU.

Faculty Exchange

1. Both GUBS and NAU commit to support the exchange of faculty between institutions.
2. Except for salary and benefits, visiting faculty will be accorded the usual faculty privileges by the host institution.
3. The home institution will be responsible for paying the salary and benefits of visiting faculty members. The host institution bears no responsibility for providing funds to visiting faculty members for any purpose.
4. All faculty exchanges must be approved in writing by the appropriate host department as well as the dean of the college concerned.

Non-Discrimination

Neither party will discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, national origin, color, religion, sexual orientation, veterans/national guard/reserves status, disability or any other prohibited characteristic.

Revision and Duration

This agreement is subject to revision by mutual consent. It shall be considered a continuing agreement with the understanding that it may be terminated by mutual consent at any time. Either part may terminate it at the completion of an academic year by giving at least 90 days prior written notice. This agreement may only be altered or amended by the written agreement of both parties.

Agreed and Accepted this 20th day of December, 2010


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