

**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Xian International Studies University
And
The Arizona Board of Regents
On behalf of
Northern Arizona University**

To continue to promote understanding and goodwill, to strengthen cultural ties, to promote research and development, and to broaden student experience and horizons, Xian International Studies University (hereafter referred to as XISU) and Arizona Board of Regents for and on behalf of Northern Arizona University (hereafter referred to as NAU) agree to pursue the following objectives of this Memorandum of Understanding:

Article 1

The agreement is entered into to facilitate the enrollment of students at NAU, on the basis of a 2+2 model, who have completed two years of coursework from XISU and have met the requisite NAU admission requirements.

Article 2

NAU will allow these students to transfer a maximum of two academic years of credits (up to a maximum of 60 credits) towards completion of the Bachelors degree at NAU, contingent on specific degree requirements at NAU and the evaluation of relevant coursework to be transferred to NAU.

Article 3

Students will be awarded an NAU Bachelors degree upon successful completion of all degree requirements.

Article 4

This agreement may extend to collaboration and cooperation in any field or subject upon which the two parties later agree. It may include, but not be limited to activities such as:

- Collaborative research, lectures, and symposia;
- Exchange of information and materials in fields which are of interest to both parties

Article 5

All activities must be mutually agreed upon by both institutions. Final approval will be required by the Chief Executive Officers/Directorate of both institutions.

Article 6

Both parties will endeavor to ensure that the interest of both institutions are advanced and will seek ways of extending their academic friendship.

Article 7

The signatories to this Memorandum of Understanding agree that it will be in operation for a period of three years from the date of signing, and be subject to change, renewal or termination by mutual written consent. Either party may give notice of a desire to terminate the agreement with at least three months written notice. Nothing in the Memorandum of Understanding is intended to create a legal partnership between the two signatories or any binding financial obligations.


Article 8

Both parties to this agreement affirm that participation by university personnel or students in any activities relating to the agreement shall not be denied to any individual on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, non-disqualifying handicapping condition, veteran status, sex or any other legally prohibited basis.

Article 9

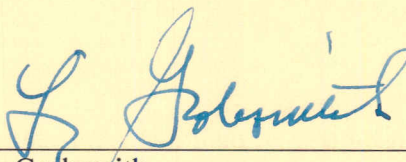
Recognizing the cooperative nature of the relationship created by this Memorandum of Understanding, the parties agree to take all reasonable steps to amicably resolve any disputes, controversies, or claims arising out of or related to this agreement. This includes, but is not limited, to attempting to resolve issues at the lowest possible organization level within the respective parties and using increasingly higher levels within the parties.

For Xi'an International Studies University For Northern Arizona University



Hu Sishe
President

Date *June 5, 2008*



Liz Grobsmith
Provost & V. President for Academic Affairs

Date *7/29/08*