

STUDENT EXCHANGE AGREEMENT
between
THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN
Illinois, USA
And
UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA DE MADRID
(UPM)
Madrid, Spain

In the interest of expanding educational opportunities, the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, acting on behalf of its Urbana-Champaign campus, through its Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering (ILLINOIS) and the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM) agree to promote the exchange of students under the following provisions:

1. Exchange Coordinator

Each party to the agreement will appoint an officer who will be responsible for the coordination and administration of the exchange, including the selection and counseling of the exchange participants. For ILLINOIS, the Assistant Dean for Academic Programs in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, Andrea Bohn, will serve as Exchange Coordinator. For UPM, the Vice-Director for International Exchanges of the School of Agricultural Engineering María del Carmen González-Chamorro will serve as the exchange coordinator

2. Duration of Exchanges

Students may be exchanged for a summer, semester or an academic year.

3. Number of Students to be Exchanged

The number of qualified students to be exchanged will be determined each year by mutual agreement between the two institutions.

4. Balancing the Exchange

Parity in numbers of exchange students is the objective of the agreement. Numbers should be counted in semester units: 1 summer= 0.5, 1 semester=1, 1 academic year=2. Each party should be prepared, however, to consider a disparity in any given semester or year during the period agreement. Any and all imbalances shall be resolved by the end of the period of agreement.

5. Academic Status

All students will remain enrolled as regular degree candidates at the home institution and will not be enrolled as candidates for degrees at the host institution. Students are expected to maintain full-time status at the host institution. Exchange students will have the rights and be subject to the same regulations as regular degree students at the host institution.

6. Student Eligibility

The Exchange Coordinator at ILLINOIS and the responsible academic unit at UPM (depending on internal rules) will be responsible for the selection of suitable nominees for exchange. It is understood that the Coordinator or the academic unit will nominate students who are both academically and personally suitable for exchange abroad and that details of academic background as well as one Reference Letter from a Faculty/Department Teaching Staff Member will be provided to the host institution. It is hoped that the host institution will not reject a nominated student unless he/she does not meet established admission requirements for international students, or unless the host institution cannot guarantee availability of required courses.

Students involved in the exchange will have proficiency level in English that will allow them to attend regular university classes. The appropriate level will be demonstrated through the required tests in each institution.

7. Transcripts

Both institutions agree to provide a transcript at the end of the period of study, giving details of the courses studied and grades and credits awarded.

8. Student Program Fees

Each student will pay his or her regular tuition and fees to the home institution and will receive these benefits in turn from the host institution. All housing and meal costs will be the responsibility of the exchange student. The host institution agrees to provide all necessary assistance in arranging accommodation in the residence halls or off campus, or in providing relevant information, as appropriate. All travel costs will be the responsibility of the individual student. Miscellaneous fees such as special course fees, fieldwork courses, key deposits, books, student service fees (for example, to provide access to campus health facilities, recreation facilities, public transportation, etc.) will be paid directly by each participant.

Neither institution will charge incoming students an application fee.

9. Vacation Periods

The individual student will be responsible for his or her own housing and meal arrangements and costs during vacation periods (breaks, holidays, or between semesters).

10. Insurance

Each participant will provide his or her own health and accident insurance. Proof of adequate insurance coverage must be provided to the international office of each institution. In the case of the UPM students coming to ILLINOIS, they will be required to provide proof of health insurance that meets ILLINOIS' minimum standards for insurance coverage before registering for courses.

ILLINOIS students will receive information on suitable health insurance options once they send their applications.

11. Dependents

The obligations of each institution under this agreement are limited to the exchange of students and do not extend to partners or dependents. Expenses of accompanying partners and dependents are the responsibility of the exchange student.

12. Visa Requirements



Participants will be required to meet any visa requirements that pertain to studying in the host country.

In the case of UPM students coming to ILLINOIS, they will need to document having sufficient financial resources for the period of stay.

ILLINOIS students will receive all pertinent information by the exchange coordinator at UPM once they send their application.

13. Effective Date and Termination of Agreement

This agreement shall be in effect for five years from the date of its signing. At the anniversary of the agreement, each institution will exchange a brief report indicating any imbalances of student numbers and/or other issues or problems. This agreement may be amended, and/or extended by mutual written consent of both institutions for a period beyond its original date of expiration. Either party may terminate this agreement by serving written notice to the other party. In this case, if either party desires to balance the numbers before termination, the other party will cooperate in that effort. Otherwise, termination will take effect six months from the date of the written notice. Should the agreement be terminated, either party has the responsibility to provide benefits to participants on exchanges begun prior to its termination.

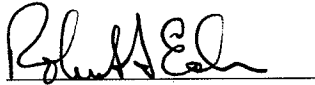


14. Agreement

In agreement with the above terms of participation, the following signatures are affixed:

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DE MADRID (UPM)



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Interim Chancellor

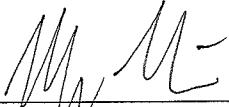


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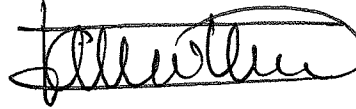
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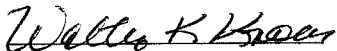


Prof. D. Javier Uceda Antolín,
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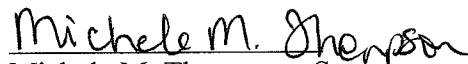


Walter K. Knorr, Comptroller

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Date

Attest :



Michele M. Thompson, Secretary

Date

