

**Agreement for the Exchange of Students
between
Southwest Jiaotong University
and
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece**

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and Southwest Jiaotong University desire to provide their students a learning experience in an overseas environment, and to share a common mission to provide the highest quality education. The purpose of this Agreement is to enhance the educational experiences and the cultural understanding of students from both institutions.

1. Definition

Within the framework of this exchange, "home university/institution" will mean the institution in which a student is formally enrolled as a degree candidate. "Host university/institution" will mean the institution that has agreed to receive students from the home institution for a period of study on a non-degree basis.

2. Exchange of Students

- f. Each year during the life of this Agreement, each institution may send up to 2 full time equivalent undergraduate or graduate level students to be enrolled at the host institution for the academic year. It is acknowledged that two (2) students enrolling for one semester/term will be the equivalent to one (1) full time student for one year.
- g. The exchange of students shall commence in 2020 and continue for each year during the term of this Agreement.
- h. Students from both institutions will register in their university of origin, but will enjoy all the privileges accorded to students at the host institution.
- i. Every effort will be made to maintain an evenly balanced exchange from year to year between Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and Southwest Jiaotong University. Both institutions agree that over the period of this Agreement, balance will be achieved in the exchange of full time students.
- j. Students from both institutions must have their course selections approved in writing by their

home department and appropriate academic authority in order to obtain transfer of credits towards their degrees. A representative of the host university will approve the course selections/learning agreement of the exchange students.

3. Student Fees and Tuition

- c. Exchange students will not be charged tuition fees by the host institution but may be required to (or may elect to) pay certain ancillary fees (for example, for on-campus health services, library fee, computer fee, student club memberships fees) as listed in the calendars of each institution.
- d. Exchange students will be responsible for the cost of room, food, health insurance, travel, books and other personal expenses. The host institution will assist exchange students to find accommodation on campus or nearby.

4. Visa

- c. Each participating student will be responsible for obtaining his/her own visa and completing the required immigration procedures needed to pursue studies at the host institution.
- d. The host institution agrees to provide an acceptance letter and other necessary documentation to be used by the student in obtaining the necessary visa.

5. Health/Medical Coverage

Students from both institutions shall be required to have appropriate health and medical insurance, paid by or on behalf of the exchange student, for the duration of their stay at the host institution.

6. General Provisions

- c. The department/divisions involved in the exchange at the home university will provide academic counseling to ensure that the academic courses taken at the host institution are acceptable to the home institution. The host institution will provide course descriptions and syllabi to aid in course equivalency evaluation.
- d. Participants in the exchange will be governed by the same regulations and performance standards that pertain to other students at the host institution.

7. Rights and Responsibilities of Each Institution

- c. Academic achievement reports will be sent to the student's home institution at the conclusion of each semester, not later than six weeks after the last day of final examinations. In most cases, this will be a university transcript, used at the discretion of the home institution.
- d. No monetary consideration will be exchanged between the two institutions, nor will be any indemnities, reimbursements for expenses, or sharing of fees or profits arising from the exchange.

8. Program Coordination

Each institution will nominate a program coordinator to ensure that the study proceeds according to a reasonable schematic plan and to ensure the terms of this Agreement are carried out. Each institution may name a successor to, or replacement of, its coordinator. Each program coordinator

will ensure that the partner institution has available to it all information appropriate to the promotion of the program.

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9. Duration, Amendment, Review and Termination of Agreement


- c. This Agreement shall be in force and be binding upon the parties for a period of five (5) years. It shall be subject to revision, modification or renewal by mutual written agreement.
- d. The Agreement may be terminated at the request of either institution, provided such request is made in writing at least six (6) months before termination is to become effective. Any termination of the Agreement must take into account the rights of students already participating or accepted for any exchange to complete their stay.

10. Indemnification

Each party shall at all times indemnify and hold harmless the other against all claims, actions, loss or damage arising from the indemnifying party's performance or lack of performance under the Agreement or the acts of commission or omission of its employees, agents or students while carrying out this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this Agreement has been signed by the proper officers of each institution.


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