

AGREEMENT ON STUDENT EXCHANGE
between
Lund University, Sweden
and
The University of Chile, Chile

Within the framework of Memorandum of Understanding signed _____ with the object of promoting co-operation in academic education between Lund University (LU), Sweden and The University of Chile (UCH), Chile, hereinafter referred to as LU and UCH, the following agreement is established:

1 Definitions

The following definitions will be used in this agreement:

- *Contracting parties:* Lund University and University of Chile
- *Home University:* The contracting partner that has agreed to send the exchange student.
- *Host University:* The contracting partner that has agreed to receive the exchange student.
- *Exchange students or candidates:* The students of both universities involved in the exchange according to this agreement

2 Objectives

The purpose of the Agreement is to establish the terms and conditions under which the exchange of students between LU and UCH shall take place. The terms and conditions of the Agreement apply to both undergraduate and post-graduate students. It is understood that the agreement is primarily intended for under-graduate students, but post-graduate students may apply. Admission of candidates to study at LU and UCH will be at the discretion of the Host University.

3 Numbers of Students

Each year during the term of this agreement, each University may send up to three (3) students to be enrolled as exchange students at the other University. The number of students may be modified from time to time by mutual agreement. It is understood that a balance in number of students exchanged shall be sought over a five year period.

The obligations of the Universities under agreement apply only to the exchange students, and exclude both spouses and dependents.

4 Pre-requisites for Participation

The Home Universities will screen and select applicants for exchange on the basis of the following criteria which shall generally apply but may be waved in special cases.

- Exchange students must have a good to excellent academic record.
- Exchange students must be registered as full-time undergraduate or postgraduate students of the Home University.
- Exchange students from UCH must have successfully completed at least 4 (four) semesters of study. Exchange students from LU must have successfully completed two semesters of study upon admission to the Host University and must remain registered in the Home University during their exchange period.
- The exchange students must be able to follow the lectures in the language of instruction. The Home University will evaluate the language aptitude of its own students.

5 Selection and Nomination

The candidates of both Universities will use the required application form of the Host University.

Exchange students should be selected on the basis of merit without regard to race, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, age, sex, marital status or physical handicap.

The Host University will accept the candidates selected by the Home University if mutually acceptable academic and/or professional qualifications and standards are met. However, the Host University will make the final decision on the admission of candidates nominated for exchange.

6 Responsibilities of the Exchange Student

The exchange students will be responsible for:

- Paying their Home University tuition and fees prior to participation.
- Paying room and board expenses at the Host University.
- Paying for transportation to the Host University and within the Host country.
- Obtaining medical insurance and paying for expenses in excess of medical coverage.
- Personal expenses including materials.
- Obtaining and paying an appropriate visa.
- All other debts incurred during the period of the exchange.
- Filling in an evaluation report after the study abroad period at the Host and Home universities.

- Following the rules and regulations of the Host University in which they are enrolled.

7 Program of Study

The program is intended as a University-wide student exchange program including all faculties and departments (except for Special Programs, such as Spanish Language Program). The exchange students may apply to any academic courses offered at the Host University as full time, non-degree studies at a level determined by the Host University.

- The Host University will endeavor to ensure that students are admitted to courses with the desired priority as applied. However, admission to a specific department or course is subject to the student's being satisfactorily qualified for the chosen area of study and/or course level, and the availability of places in the courses.
- Exchange students will be subject to the academic requirements and rules of conduct of the Host University. All students are required to enroll in a full-time course of study or equivalent amount of credits. Accreditation for the work carried out by a student during the period of the exchange will be at the discretion of the student's Home University.
- The Host University will provide the Home University with a final transcript, describing the student's academic performance.

8 Length of Study

Exchange students will spend a minimum of one semester, and preferably one academic year (two semesters) at the Host University.

Upon completion of the period of study at the Host University, exchange students must return to the Home University. Exceptionally, the contracting parties can approve an extension of the exchange period.

9 Fees and Expenses

Contracting parties agree that no tuition fees will be levied on the exchange students. Exchange students will continue to pay tuition fees at their Home University according to its own regulations. All other expenses incurred will remain the responsibility of the exchange student.

10 Responsibilities of the Home and Host Universities

Contracting parties shall have the option of terminating the participation of a student should that student violate the laws or regulations of the Host University, or be found by a competent authority to have violated the laws of the Host country.

Contracting parties will endeavor to provide a pre-arrival orientation to students admitted to the Exchange program. The Host University will arrange an orientation program for the exchange students upon Arrival day.

Applications for participation in the Program will be sent by the Home University to the Host University at least four months before the start of the academic year/semester in which the exchange will take place.

Returning students will be asked to complete a report form evaluating their exchange.

The Host University shall make every reasonable effort to assist students participating under the terms of this agreement in finding suitable accommodation.

11 Recognition for Participation

Any academic credit earned at the Host University by the participant may be transferred back to the Home University in accordance with procedures determined by the latter.

12 Co-ordination and administration of the Exchange

The management of the exchange will be the responsibility of the International Office at Lund University, and International Relations Office at University of Chile.

13 Period of Exchange

Enrollment of students according to this agreement will commence in the 2^o (second) (July – December) Semester 2006.

14 Review, Renewal, and Termination

The contracting parties will review the Program annually to maintain a well balanced exchange. Every effort will be made to achieve parity over a period of five academic years. This Agreement will be valid for five years in the first

instance from the date of the last signature; at the end of that period, the Agreement could be renewed by exchange of letters.

Any of the contracting parties may withdraw from the agreement by giving six months notice in writing to the other partner. However, any exchange in place will be permitted to continue to completion date.



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Date:

Signed on behalf of Lund University



Prof. Luis Riveros
Rector
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Date: 22 DIC. 2005

Signed on behalf of University of
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