

**COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN**  
**UNIVERSITY OF CHILE, SANTIAGO, CHILE**  
**AND**  
**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA**

Whereas both University of Chile, SANTIAGO, Chile and University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida are Universities which conduct comprehensive programs of education, research and public service and both are committed to assisting in the educational, economic and social development of their respective states and their nations.

Whereas both have capabilities and expertise and conduct programs and activities that can benefit the other,

University of Chile and University of Florida, for and on behalf of the Board of Regents of the State of Florida, agree to carry out the following indicated activities to assist each other in enhancing the quality and relevance of their individual and collective programs of education, research and public service for mutual benefits.

**Article I:     Objectives of the Cooperation**

The objectives of the cooperation are to identify opportunities for program enhancement; to share information, expertise and capabilities in diverse fields; exchange students and faculty; conduct collaborative projects designed to strengthen the relevance and the quality of programs of education, research, scholarship and public service; to strengthen the ability of both universities to better serve their respective societies; and to seek the resources necessary to achieve the objectives. Both universities also seek to assist each other in carrying out the "Internationalization" of their curricula and programs in order to become global universities better able to meet their respective responsibilities as institutions of higher education.

University of Chile and University of Florida will hold annual planning and evaluation meetings to determine accomplishments and plan and agree on the cooperative activities for the following year. An overall strategic plan to guide the cooperative activities will be developed and approved by both universities.

## **Article II: Communication and Liaison**

The universities will establish communication linkages utilizing electronic and other appropriate means and will utilize their respective International Programs Offices as the channel of inter-institutional communications. A joint University of Chile – University of Florida Collaboration Committee with subcommittees at each university will be established and will be responsible for planning, coordinating and evaluating collaborative programs and activities. At University of Florida, a multidisciplinary Latin America Interest Group will provide input to the University of Florida Collaboration subcommittee.

## **Article III: Resources and Proposals**

Both parties to this agreement will identify potential sources of funds to support collaborative programs and will work together to obtain the necessary funds and other resources to implement this agreement and the activities defined herein. This does not in any way obligate either party to utilize its own or other resources to support these activities without prior mutual agreement in writing and does not in any way prevent either university from entering into agreements and conducting activities with other institutions outside the framework of this agreement.

## **Article IV: Collaborative Programs**

As indicated in Article I, the collaborative programs, projects and activities between University of Chile and University of Florida will span a spectrum of subject matter areas and types of activities based upon mutual interests, benefits, program needs and opportunities, resources and others. Subject matter areas of collaboration may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Agriculture and Agribusiness
- Urban and Rural Environmental Science
- Veterinary Medicine and Fisheries
- Food Technology and Nutrition
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Internationalization

### **A. Undergraduate Educational Programs**

The strengthening of undergraduate educational programs through collaboration, student exchange programs, faculty exchange programs, internships and other types of degree and non-degree training will be explored. These types of activities may include a broad range of potential disciplines and activities including language, culture and others.



B. Collaborative Research and Scholarly Activities

Both University of Chile and University of Florida acknowledge the role and importance of and will seek to promote and support collaborative research and scholarly programs and activities between their faculties. Both include graduate education as an integral part of these research and scholarly activities and will seek to make available for their graduate students and faculty opportunities to carry out study and research in association with the other university and/or jointly in third country locations as appropriate and within the limitations of funding and other resource availability. Individually and jointly University of Chile and University of Florida will identify potential funding sources and will prepare and submit proposals to obtain funding to support these activities. Both University of Chile and University of Florida will promote communications and interactions between individual and groups of faculty and academic units to foster understandings, identify common interests and define and conduct joint research and scholarly activities for mutual benefits.

Subject matter areas and disciplines will depend upon the interest and desires of faculty to develop collaborative programs and activities in teach, research and public service as indicated above. In some cases the collaborative activities may be carried out in association with third party institutes and/or organizations in Chile, in the U.S and in other countries.

C. Faculty Experiences and Capability Enhancement

Both University of Chile and University of Florida recognize the importance of faculty gaining international experiences and conducting professional activities with colleagues and peers in other countries. University of Chile and University of Florida will seek to identify and to make available opportunities for their faculties to carry out joint programs and activities with each other designed to enhance the understandings, capabilities and experiences of faculty members in teaching, research and public service. The possibility of sharing faculty expertise and activities in teaching, research and/or public services including exchanges, collaborative programs, electronic and other communications, joint appointments and other mechanisms will be emphasized and supported.

D. Public Service

University of Chile and University of Florida will work with the private and public sectors of their representative countries and state and/or region and will conduct training, applied research and technology transfer activities to benefit those the respective universities serve. Economic development will be emphasized. These activities may include, but are not limited to the identification of opportunities, dissemination of information, technology transfer, training in business development and methods, and conducting conferences, workshops and other activities to be mutually agreed.



E. Collaboration with Third Parties

University of Chile and University of Florida may individually and/or together collaborate with third parties in Chile, in the U.S. and in other countries under the auspices of this agreement. Based upon mutual agreement, University of Chile may participate in the Pacific Rim Education and Research Network, in activities associated with the Asia Pacific Economic Council and others as may be defined. University of Florida may participate in the Consortium of Chilean Universities in association with University of Chile.

**Article V: Implementation**

The implementation of specific activities associated with any and all of the above articles of cooperation requires an amendment to this agreement in writing signed by both parties. Failure to obtain said agreement in writing will result in no obligation on the part of either party to assume any responsibilities associated therewith, regardless of the reason for any such failure.

**Article VI: Duration of Agreement and Termination**

This agreement will remain in effect for three years from the date of the last signature and may be extended for additional three-year periods by mutual agreement in writing. This agreement may be terminated by a written notice of intent to terminate at least six months in advance of the terminating party's intended termination date. If terminated by either party, each agrees to assume and carry out its individual obligations and responsibilities assumed under this agreement or amendments thereto effective prior to the termination date.

**Article VII: Signatories**

UNIVERSITY OF CHILE



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PROF. LUIS A. RIVEROS

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Date 15.01.01

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UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

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Charles Young, President

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## ATTACHMENT A

### ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM AND CONTACT INFORMATION

**Florida** -- Administration of this Cooperative Agreement is housed in the International Center at the University of Florida. Such functions are under the direct responsibility of the Executive Associate Director, International Center. Academic responsibilities are housed in the College of Pharmacy. Correspondence regarding these matters should be directed to:

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**University of Chile:** For purposes of day-to-day management of the program, nomination of participants and other administrative activities, the following shall serve as the University of Chile contact:

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