# AGREEMENT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS

### **BETWEEN**

# VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON

#### AND

# UNIVERSITY OF CHILE

Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, as the New Zealand Sponsor, and University of Chile, hereby agree upon the following terms and conditions for a Students Exchange Agreement.

- Within the frame of this exchange, home university will mean the institution in which the student is formally enrolled as a degree candidate, and host university will mean the institution that has agreed to receive students from the home university for a period of study on a non-degree basis.
- 2. Each home institution, respecting the admission requirements of the host institution, shall assume full responsibility for the assessment and selection of qualified candidates. The selection process shall consist of careful evaluation of the student's previous record, motivation, and overall potential to succeed in an international academic environment.
- 3. Participation in the exchange does not guarantee later admission as a regular student at the host institution nor does it establish residence. A student wishing to pursue a degree at the host institution must contact the admissions office and follow the regular application procedures.
- In order to comply with government regulations, students from both institutions will be required to provide a guarantee that they have the financial resources to meet expenses not covered by the agreement. Both institutions will, however, assist to entry by making information available in other practical ways as requested.
- 5. To begin with, each institution shall accept up to two students each semester (maximum 4 students per year), at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

- 6. Student exchanges will be for one semester or one academic year. The number of students participating in the exchange will be calculated in terms of semesters rather than years.
- 7. Students involved in this exchange will enroll in courses of their choice at the host institution, subject to admission and registration requirements, faculty approval and availability of places. Exchange students at la Universidad de Chile will register up to a maximum of 4 (four) courses per semester. (Registration in language courses will be subject to separate negotiations). Exchange students at Victoria University will normally enroll in a maximum of four (4) courses with occasional exceptions where the student may do the equivalent of 48 points per semester. Each institution will provide academic advice to assist its guest students in the selection of appropriate courses.
- 8. Students from both institutions must have their course selection approved by their home institution. It shall be the sole responsibility of the home institution to decide how many credits each student may actually receive for courses taken at the host institution.
- 9. Both institutions will only allow students who have paid tuition fees and other required fees to the home institution to participate in the exchange programme. Exchange students shall not be charged for application, tuition, or other mandatory academic fees at the host institution. Exchange students will be responsible for all other costs associated with participation, including but not limited to international transportation, housing, and meals.
- 10. Both institutions will guarantee to provide an orientation programme for exchange students. The orientation programme will include information on student services and local and university facilities available to exchange students.
- 11. All exchange students shall be subject to the same university rules and academic regulations regarding class performance as pertain to the regularly enrolled students at the host institution. All exchange students shall be asked, within reasonable limits, to represent their home institution and country in the host community to the best of their ability.
- 12. Victoria University of Wellington shall assist to find appropriate accommodation for visiting exchange students. Requirement from Halls of Residence regarding deposits for accommodation must be complied with and are the personal responsibility of the students concerned. University of Chile agrees to assist each Victoria University of Wellington exchange

student by providing information for appropriate accommodation offcampus.

- 13. All students will have access to the receiving institution's health services. Each student exchanged under this agreement must purchase adequate medical insurance. Exchange students attending Victoria University of Wellington must have insurance that meets the requirements of the Code or purchase insurance from Victoria University of Wellington prior to enrolment. Exchange students entering the University of Chile are required to have full medical and dental insurance prior to departure from their home country.
- 14. Both institutions will review the program annually for any imbalances in the number of exchange students, and will adjust the number of students over the duration of the Agreement, as necessary, to maintain a reasonable balance in the exchange.
- 15. Official academic transcripts will be sent to the student's home university at the conclusion of each semester or the end of the academic year in the case of students on exchange at Partner University.
- 16. This agreement shall be effective for three (3) years from the date of signing. Before the end of that period, the institutions will evaluate the results of the student exchanges and subject to the written agreement of both institutions, the agreement can remain valid for a further period to be determined by amending this agreement.

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