



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

The University of Belize

AND

The University of Texas at Tyler

Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made for the purpose of promoting cooperation and further development of a friendly relationship between the University of Belize (UB) and The University of Texas at Tyler (UT Tyler) to help advance higher education in both regions, and based on the principle of mutual benefit and reciprocity.

UB is chartered by the University of Belize Act of 2000 to develop human capital for the country's development, with its Central Campus located in Belmopan, Cayo District, Belize, and Central America.

UT Tyler is a statutory body established through The University of Texas System, with its strategic plan focused on (1) student success by supporting educational and career goals of students through high impact, data-driven solutions; (2) student engagement ensuring students' access to rich, individualized educational experiences; (3) research and scholarship that fosters discovery through scientific, technological, intellectual, and creative expression, and (4) community engagement that encourages local and regional collaborations and partnerships with governmental entities, businesses, and nonprofit organizations to improve the quality of life.

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Collaboration Opportunities

The Parties, in furtherance of the aforementioned objectives, will cooperate and collaborate as follows:

- A) Both Parties will collaborate in the planning and organizing of seminars, workshops, training activities, conferences, research, and mentorship programs in subjects of mutual interest.
- B) UB will encourage the participation of UB faculty, staff, and students, and UT Tyler will encourage the participation of its membership and affiliates, in each other's activities and programs.
- C) Both Parties will promote and enhance public awareness of issues of mutual interest.
- D) Both Parties will undertake to develop joint project proposals for presentation to development assistance institutions.
- E) Both Parties will pursue joint research and publications of their faculty in subject areas of mutual interest.
- F) Both Parties will endeavor to secure the resources necessary for the implementation of this MOU from internal and external sources.
- G) Both Parties agree to cooperate in providing pathways for students from UB to transfer into selected undergraduate programs and to enroll in appropriate masters' programs at UT Tyler.
- H) Both parties agree to explore options for UT Tyler to offer appropriate academic programs at UB.

Limitations of the MOU

This MOU is a statement of understanding and is not intended to create binding or legal obligations on either party. The MOU will remain in force for three years from the date of signing and be subject to revision or modification by mutual consent. Both parties shall discuss and decide on the continuation or revision of the MOU six months prior to its expiration. Any decision to terminate the MOU will not affect the status of any student participating in the program at that time.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF each of the Parties hereto has hereunto by its duly authorized and designated officer(s) set its hand and seals the date first aforementioned.

The University of Belize

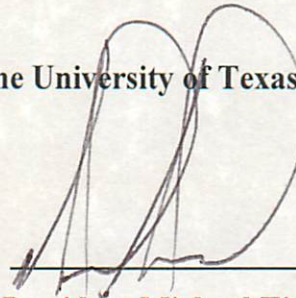


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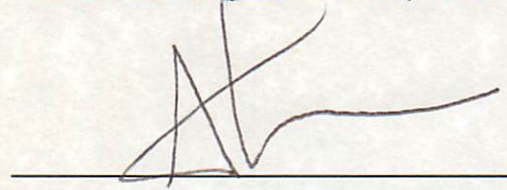


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The University of Texas at Tyler



President Michael Tidwell, Ph.D.



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The day of 30th September, 2019.

