The University of Texas at Tyler

Contract Memorandum

Date:	November 18, 2021
То:	Kirk Calhoun
Originator:	Sydni Blundell
Counterparties:	Centro Escolar Mexico Jr. College
Term of Contract: Approved as to Legal Fo	Upon signatures and for three years thereafter orm by: Michael Donley, University Counsel
Synopsis: This MOU is for the purpose of promoting cooperation and further development of a friendly relationship between the two institutions. My review did not reveal any significant legal risk management issues.	
Please provide a brief description of the clarification you are seeking:	

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

Centro Escolar Mexico Junior College

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 Centro Escolar Mexico Junior College (CEMJC) 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.

CEMJC is a tertiary level institution funded by both the Belizean and Mexican Governments with its campus in Corozal, Corozal District, Belize, and Central America. CEMJC caters to students in rural Belize and provides career and technical programs through the integration of classroom instruction and hands-on field experiences.

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.

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) CEMJC will encourage the participation of CEMJC 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 CEMJC 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 CEMJC.

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.

Centro Escolar Mexico Junior College

The University of Texas at Tyler

Rafael Ramirez, Chairperson

Witness

The day 23 of November, 2021