





MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Korean Council for University Education - Korean University
Accreditation Institute
Seoul, Republic of Korea

Japan University Accreditation Association Tokyo, Japan

This Memorandum of Understanding is made between Korean Council for University Education at 22~23F. Daesung DPOLIS-A 606, Seobusaet-gil, Geumcheon-gu, Seoul, 153-803 (hereafter referred to as KCUE) and Japan University Accreditation Association, (hereafter referred to as JUAA)

Foreword

Whereas:

Korean Council for University Education, which was established in 1982, work for the sound development of higher education in Korea by promoting inter-institutional cooperation concerning major issues common to four-year universities and colleges, and increase the autonomy, initiative, public accountability, and overall quality of higher education institutions in Korea by making recommendations in higher education polices to the government.

Korean University Accreditation Institute, affiliated to KCUE presents the standards and guidelines for quality enhancement of universities, and contributes to promoting the development of university education and nurturing outstanding talents by carrying out evaluation and accreditation of universities.

Japan University Accreditation Association, which is voluntary organization of higher education institutions. It was established in 1947, a voluntary organization of higher education institutions. The mission of the JUAA is to promote the qualitative improvement of higher education institutions in Japan through the voluntary efforts and mutual assistance of member institutions.

KCUE-KUAI, JUAA

Having similar missions and institutional objectives in the advancement of quality assurance in higher education, the above two organizations now wish to establish closer relations as equal partners for the purpose of creating cooperative and collaborative mechanisms for the mutual benefit of both parties.

HAVE REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING as follows:

ARTICLE I: Aims of Memorandum of Understanding

The KCUE and JUAA agree hereby to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate for the benefit of all two parties and to work towards establishing amicable collaborative fellowship to enhance the operation of external quality assurance in all two jurisdictions and improve the quality of higher education Korea and Japan.

ARTICLE II: Areas of Co-operation and Collaboration

The KCUE and JUAA will, subject to the laws, rules, regulations, and national policies from time to time in force governing the subject matter in their respective countries, endeavor to take necessary steps to encourage and promote technical co-operation that will be of mutual benefit to both participants in the following areas:

- (a) To exchange unclassified information in terms of quality assurance.
- (b) To collaborate on quality assurance projects and disseminate educational resources which are recognized by each party.
- (c) To collaborate in joint research of mutual benefit, promote academic exchanges periodically and share the outcomes and them to the world.
- (d) To provide developmental opportunities as appropriate for staff of the two parties.
- (e) To exchange experts who would take part in the evaluation on HEIs of the other party as observers when appropriate.
- (f) To co-operate in any other agreed activities related to quality assurance for the benefit of both parties thereto.

ARTICLE III: Alteration of Memorandum

This Memorandum is signed by the two parties in a spirit of amicable cooperation. The terms of the Memorandum may be altered with the consent of all two parties.

ARTICLE IV: Officers responsible for managing the Memorandum

The Chairman of KCUE and President of KUAI (at the time of In Chul Kim, Ph.D. and Sekeun Ahn, Ph.D.) and the President of JUAA (at the time of signing Kyosuke Nagata, Ph.D.) will have responsibility for managing the implementation of the terms of the Memorandum. This responsibility may be delegated to relevant members of the agencies' staff in relation to particular areas of cooperation.

ARTICLE V: Financial Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding will not give rise to any financial obligation by one participant to the other. Each participant will bear its own cost and expenses in relation to this Understanding.

ARTICLE VI: Validity of Memorandum

The Memorandum of Understanding will be in effect from the date of signature for a period of five years. It shall be extended automatically for an additional period of five years at each expiration date unless either participant gives six month's advance notice in writing to terminate the agreement.

In witness whereof, the undersigned duly authorized have signed this Memorandum of Understanding in duplicate in English language.

Signed in December 2020 by the representatives of both participants:

In Chul Kim Chairman

Korean Council for University

Education Korea Sekeun Ahn

President

Korean Council for University

Education - Korean University

Accreditation Institute

Korea

Kyosuke Nagata

President

Japan University Accreditation

Association

Japan