#### AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLABORATIVE DELIVERY OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

This Agreement is entered into this July 7th, 2015 between Arkansas State University Jonesboro (hereinafter referred to as ASUJ) United States of America and Changchun Normal University (hereinafter referred to as CNU), China, for the purpose of establishing a cooperative program (curriculum articulation and credit transfers)which will develop a range of programs at and between the CNU and ASUJ.

### **1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT**

ASUJ and CNU have entered into this Agreement for the purpose of fulfilling a shared desire of the two universities in the areas of internationalization, modernization, and diversification of education, in order to improve the overall quality of education, with the advantages for both parties being complementary. CNU and ASUJ through friendly consultation based on the principles of reciprocity and mutual benefit have reached the following agreement on educational cooperation to conduct joint bachelor's degree programs in Communication Studies, English Education, Applied Psychology, Pre-School Education and General Studies.

### 2. TERM

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This Agreement shall be in effect as of the date above set out and shall remain in effect for five (5) years. The Agreement shall be renewed upon the mutual agreement of the parties. The Agreement may be cancelled for cause in the event any obligation of either party is not met by five (5) days written notice. The Agreement may be cancelled without cause by giving ninety (90) days' notice; however, ASUJ and CNU agree to give an honest and good faith effort to helping registered and enrolled students meet their educational obligations.

# 3. AGENCY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

All parties recognize and agree that ASUJ is an Agency of the State of Arkansas

# 4. COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MODELS

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- A. The Cooperative programs are to be set with models of 3+1+Master's which are carried out by curriculum articulation and credit transfers between CNU and ASUJ. The specialty is: Bachelor in Commutation Studies, English Education, Applied Psychology and Pre-School Education from CNU, and Bachelor of General Studies and masters in various fields from ASUJ.
- B. The Details of the Models
  - i. "3+1+Master's" the first three years of study at CNU, and the last two calendar years of study at ASUJ. The actual year of study at ASUJ is available to the student who has completed all the requirements and credits for the graduation.
  - Students who are going to participate in this program shall be undergraduate students registered at CNU in the following majors: Communication Studies, English Education, Applied Psychology and Pre-School Education and enrolled in Bachelor of General Studies at ASUJ.
  - iii. Students will need to enroll and complete the first 3 years of pre-approved courses with satisfactory grades at CNU in one of the following majors: Communication Studies, English Education, Applied Psychology and Pre-School Education. Upon completion of the 3 years, they will attend ASUJ and complete 35 credit hours of pre-approved general education courses. At the completion of these courses, students will receive a Bachelor's degree in General Studies as well as a bachelor's degree from CNU in their chosen field of study.
  - iv. Upon the completion of the bachelor's degree and meeting ASUJ, graduate program admission requirements, students may enroll in various masters programs.
  - v. Students shall pay instate tuition and fees while attending ASTATE as undergraduate students. Upon graduation, students who enroll in the master's program will pay in-state tuition.
  - vi. Students shall have TOEFL IBT 61 or IELTS 5.5 to be eligible for the ASUJ degree course. Students who fail to meet this requirement shall enter the language program before they start the degree course.

# 5. OBLIGATIONS OF CNU

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CNU shall meet the following obligations:

- A. CNU will be responsible for promoting the program and enrolling students at CNU.
- B. CNU will be responsible for management of students at CNU.
- C. CNU will be responsible for managing its facilities (including classrooms, computer labs, workshops, language labs, libraries, physical education places and students' dormitories).
- D. CNU will be responsible for the delivery of preapproved courses for the calendar year or years for first number in the following sequence 3+1+Master's.
- E. CNU will be responsible for the management and teaching quality control at CNU.
- F. CNU will acknowledge all the courses offered at ASUJ in the last two calendar years.
- G. CNU will be responsible for issuing CNU diplomas to those students who have passed all the required exams, and bachelor's degrees to those satisfy all the requirements of bachelor's degree.

# 6. OBLIGATIONS OF ASUJ

ASUJ shall meet the following obligations:

- A. ASUJ will be responsible for transferring the approved courses credits for the admitted students
- B. ASUJ will be responsible for the delivery of courses for all calendar years after the first number in the following sequence 3+1+Master's.
- C. ASUJ will be responsible for providing teaching plans, samples of textbooks and reference books to CNU faculty in order that CNU faculty may familiarize themselves with the ASUJ courses.

- D. ASUJ will be responsible for providing students who satisfy all entry requirements of ASUJ admission to ASUJ and a completed I-20 form allowing students to seek a visa interview for petitioning for an F-1 visa to attend ASUJ.
- E. ASUJ will be responsible for the teaching quality control and management of the program at ASUJ.
- F. ASUJ will be responsible for issuing ASUJ Bachelor's degrees in General Studies and Master's degrees in various fields to all students who have completed successfully the entire program and satisfy all the requirements in ASUJ.

### 7. IMPLEMENTATION

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- A. Each party shall obtain the written consent to use the name and/or logo of the other party, in advance and prior to each use, in any materials or communications not related to this Agreement.
- B. The parties agree to provide the necessary facilities and supports for academic exchange and staff visit at an appropriate time. Either party shall undertake their own travel and expenses in relation to visit another party.

# 8. 35 Credit Hours of General Education Courses

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Course Name	Credit Hours
Composition	
ENG 1003, Composition I	6
ENG 1013, Composition II	
Mathematics	
MATH 1023, College Algebra	3
Natural Sciences	
Select one of the following:	
*BIOL 1003 AND 1001, Biological Science and Laboratory CHEM 1013 AND 1011, General Chemistry I and Laboratory CHEM 1043 AND 1041, Fundamental Concepts of Chemistry and Laboratory GEOL 1003 AND 1001, Environmental Geology and Laboratory PHSC 1014, Energy and the Environment PHSC 1203 AND 1201, Physical Science and Laboratory PHYS 1103 AND 1101, Introduction to Space Science and Laboratory PHYS 2034, University Physics I	8
PHYS 2054, General Physics I PHYS 2073 <b>AND</b> 2071, Fundamental Physics and Laboratory *Students may substitute a higher level biology course and its laboratory for which BIOL 1003 and 1001 are prerequisites, or may substitute BIO 2013 and 2011.	

Arts and Hu	nanities	
Select one o	f the following:	
Fine Arts:		
	ART 2503, Fine Arts-Visual	
	MUS 2503, Fine Arts-Musical	
	THEA 2503, Fine Arts-Theatre	6
Select one o	f the following:	
Humanities:		
	ENG 2003, Introduction to World Literature I	
	ENG 2013, Introduction to World Literature II	
	PHIL 1103, Introduction to Philosophy	
Social Science	es	
Select one of	the following:	
	ANTH 2233, Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
	ECON 2313, Principles of Macroeconomics	
	ECON 2333, Economic Issues and Concepts	
	GEOG 2613, Introduction to Geography	
	HIST 1013, World Civilization To 1660	9
	HIST 1023, World Civilization Since 1660	
Select one of	the following:	
	HIST 2763, The United States To 1876	
	HIST 2773, The United States Since 1876	
	POSC 2103, Introduction to United States Government	
	PSY 2013, Introduction to Psychology	
	SOC 2213, Principles of Sociology	
Computer A	oplications/Fundamentals	
Select one of the following:		3
	CS 1013, Introduction to Computers	
	CIT 1503, Microcomputer Applications	

### 9. FORCE MAJEURE

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Neither party shall be considered in default in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party affected, brought to the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, wind or flood or because of any law, order, proclamation, ruling, regulation or ordinance of any government or subdivision of government or because of any act of God.

#### **10. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any contemporaneous or previous written or oral agreements, representations, or undertakings concerning the matters and arrangements provided for in this Agreement. No supplement, modification or amendment to this Agreement will be binding unless such supplement, modification, or amendment is in writing and signed by all parties.

#### **11. WAIVER**

A waiver of any provisions of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any other provision whether or not similar, nor will any waiver on one occasion constitute a continuing or permanent waiver.

### **12. NOTICE**

Any request, notice, or other communication to be given under this Agreement must be in writing and delivered personally or by messenger, courier service, facsimile or sent by registered, certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, as follows:

To Arkansas State University Jonesboro, U.S.A.:

Dr. Lynita Cooksey, Ph.D. Vice Chancellor and Provost Office of the Provost P.O. Box 179 State University, Arkansas 72467 United States of America

To Changchun Normal University (CNU), China:

Dr. Liu Chunming, Ph.D. Vice President Office of Vice President No.677, Chang Ji Bei Lu, Erdao District, Changchun, Jilin 130032, China

All notices will be considered effective (i) upon receipt if delivered personally, by messenger, by courier service, or by registered mail or (ii) on the business day of successful transmission if facsimile.

### 13. SUCCESSORS

The terms, warranties and agreements herein contained shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

# **14. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS**

The parties shall execute any additional documents reasonably necessary to effectuate the provisions and purposes of this Agreement including specifically all documents necessary to set tuition and fees for each term.

### **15. COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, including facsimile copies, each of which will be considered to be an original. All counterparts together will constitute

the same instrument. The signing of this Agreement at different times and places by the parties will not affect the validity of this Agreement.

# **16. SEVERABILITY**

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Any provisions herein declared invalid under any law shall not invalidate any other provisions of this Agreement.

# **17. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUES, TREATIES, RULES AND REGULATIONS**

All parties agree to comply with all laws, statues, treaties, rules, and regulation governing the provisions of this Agreement. As for other matters or issues that may occur during the program implementation, all of them should be discussed through meetings and negotiations with the intention of achieving consensus. If any dispute occurs in the course of the program implantation between ASUJ and CNU, both parties agree to resolve all differences in a friendly manner.

This agreement will take effect upon the signature of both parties.

The agreement will have four original copies, two in English and two in Chinese (if needed). Each party keeps one original copy in English and one in Chinese. Both the English and the Chinese versions of the MOU are equally authentic.

The parties hereby sign this Agreement for the Collaborative Delivery of Academic Programs by their duly authorized officers as of the date and year above stated.

For Changchun Normal University

For Arkansas State University Jonesboro

Dr. Zhao Jimin

President

Signature Date

Dr. Tim Hudson

Chancellor

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Signature

Date