## AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

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# World University Service of Canada

Hanoi, Vietnam And

## **Nha Trang University**

World University Service of Canada (hereinafter referred to as WUSC) and Nha Trang University (hereinafter referred to as NTU) agree to formalize an **Agreement of Cooperation** to strengthen the links between our institutions with the goal of improving language training capacity through provision of Canadian assistant English teachers under WUSC's Student Without Borders program.

The purpose of the Students Without Borders program is to provide a mutually beneficial arrangement between Canadian student volunteers who are interested in obtaining an international and intercultural working experience and WUSC's partners who are interested to have native English speaking volunteers to increase their capacity to deliver English training to their students.

#### Article 1

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide a foundation to develop and carry out collaborative activities. The goals contained in this Agreement include the following:

- 1. To improve language training capacity for NTU's students/learners;
- 2. To provide an international and intercultural work experience for Canadian university students and graduates;
- 3. To foster an environment of friendship between Vietnam and Canada and exchange cultural information and knowledge for our mutual benefit.

### Article 2

The roles and responsibilities between WUSC and NTU are laid out as follows:

WUSC will be responsible for the following:

- 1. To recruit student interns from Canadian universities based on recruitment priorities agreed upon between WUSC and NTU;
- 2. To sign an agreement with student interns that clearly state interns' obligations ensuring that the placement is not less than 2 months in duration;
- 3. To ensure that all student interns have appropriate visas and passports for entry and work in Vietnam;
- 4. To ensure that interns are medically fit for placement in Vietnam and have adequate medical and health insurance;

- 5. To ensure the interns arrive and depart from Vietnam in line with agreed length of placement;
- 6. To provide the interns with orientation to Vietnam upon arrival in Hanoi and to help facilitate their integration into Vietnam society;
- 7. To monitor the placements of interns and to act as facilitator between the interns and NTU should any disagreements arise.

NTU will be responsible for the following:

- 1. To provide written approval of recruited interns well in advance of the placement date (refer to the Volunteer Placement Form);
- 2. To employ the intern in a matter that will allow the interns to gain a beneficial experience and increase their knowledge/skills;
- 3. To employ the intern in manner that allows them to share their skills/knowledge with the NTU's students and faculty;
- 4. To employ the interns for a minimum of twelve 45 minute periods per week for teaching and a total weekly workload not exceeding 40 hours, including class preparation (the total teaching workload should normally not exceed twenty-five 45 minute periods per week);
- 5. To reach an agreement with WUSC and the intern on the exact length of the placement, with a minimum of two months and preferably an entire semester placement;
- 6. To facilitate cooperation between the interns and the NTU's faculty to ensure smooth integration into the educational environment;
- 7. To report any problems with the placements to the interns and the WUSC office;
- 8. To provide accommodation at NT' guest house to the student intern.

#### Article 3

WUSC will recruit student interns, giving priority to candidates with the attributes listed below. WUSC, however, is not responsible for ensuring that all candidates meet any or all of these conditions and the ultimate approval of the intern will require the consent of WUSC and NTU

- 1. Graduate level education (recent completion of undergraduate degree and/or postgraduate student);
- 2. Full semester placement (candidates willing to volunteer over entire NTU semester);
- 3. Teaching experience (candidates with teaching experience/certification);
- 4. Relevant educational background (candidates whose education matches placement activities).

#### **Article 4**

This MOU is made into two (2) copies in English language with the same validity. Each party will keep one (1) copy for reference.

The MOU comes into force from the date of signing and will end on March 31, 2009. Either party may terminate this MOU by providing a written notice to the other party at least three

months before the desired-termination date. Changes and amendments to this MOU can be done by mutual consent with a signed amendment notice.

Signed and dated:

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