



**MISSISSIPPI STATE
UNIVERSITY**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between
NHA TRANG UNIVERSITY
And
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

In the spirit of mutual cooperation, Nha Trang University and Mississippi State University enter this Agreement for the purpose of enhancing the educational and research opportunities and experiences of their students and faculty. More specifically, this Agreement will promote:

1. opportunities for qualified students enrolled at one University to study at the other University, and in such opportunities, student transfers will meet admission standards established by the respective institution;
2. the development of cooperative endeavors in research and education and the sharing of faculty and research scholars for such purposes;
3. the identification of commonalities which will nurture the relationship between these two Universities;
4. the exchange of educational and cultural materials of mutual interest to both Universities; and
5. the recognition of each other as institutions that can and will provide attractive "study abroad" opportunities for students based upon the similarity of missions and mutual commitment to international understanding through education, research, and service.

This Agreement does not commit or imply any financial obligations on the part of either institution. Unless otherwise and specifically agreed to in writing and signed by both parties as a formal modification to this Agreement, each University is responsible for any expenses it may incur as a result of this Agreement.

This Agreement shall be effective upon signature by both parties and shall have a term of five (5) years after which time it will automatically expire unless the parties execute a written renewal agreement to extend the term of the agreement for an additional five (5) years. The Agreement may be terminated by mutual consent or upon six (6) months' written notice.

Modifications to this agreement must be approved and executed with the same formality and require the signatures of authorized University personnel before they are binding. Responsibility for implementing this Agreement rests at Nha Trang University with the President and at Mississippi State University with the Provost. The Agreement shall be reviewed during the fifth year to evaluate the progress and the quality of the mutual cooperation.

For joint and dual degree programs:

Nha Trang University is accredited by the Ministry of Education and Training of Vietnam. Mississippi State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. to award bachelors, masters, and doctoral degrees, and the accreditation of Mississippi State University does not extend to or include Nha Trang University or its students. Although, as of the date of signing, Mississippi State University accepts certain Nha Trang University course work in transfer, other colleges and universities may not accept this work in transfer, even if it appears on a transcript from Mississippi State University. Additionally, the possibility of course and personnel changes render Mississippi State University unable to guarantee the continuing acceptance of Nha Trang University course work to the same extent it is currently accepted.

APPROVAL:



Rector Dr. Vu Van Xung
Nha Trang University
Nha Trang, Vietnam

3rd September, 2014
Date

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Jerome A. Gilbert".

Dr. Jerome A. Gilbert
Provost and Executive Vice President
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28 Oct. 2014
Date