

COOPERATIVE ACADEMIC AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
ON BEHALF OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO, USA**

AND

BEIJING JIAOTONG UNIVERSITY, BEIJING, CHINA

In view of a common commitment to global education, to strengthen cultural ties, and to broaden the experience and horizons of faculty and students, The Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education, on behalf of the University of Nevada, Reno, U.S.A., and Beijing Jiaotong University in Beijing, China, agree to establish a cooperative academic relationship in order to promote academic collaboration. The purpose of this agreement is to further mutual understanding between the College of Engineering (includes Chemical and Materials Engineering; Civil and Environmental Engineering; Computer Science and Engineering; Electrical and Biomedical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering) at the University of Nevada, Reno (hereinafter referred to as UNR) and Schools of Engineering (includes Civil Engineering; Computer and Information Technology; Mechanical, Electronic and Control Engineering; Electrical Engineering; Electronics and Information Engineering; Traffic and Transportation) at Beijing Jiaotong University (hereinafter referred to as BJTU), and to enhance each institution's teaching, learning, and international objectives in the fields above. This agreement provides for student exchange opportunities, promotes collaborative study-research opportunities and co-support opportunities for PhD candidates.

I. PRINCIPLES OF EXCHANGE PROGRAM

1. Duration of Stay

The duration of stay for exchange students at the host institution shall normally be for up to a period of one academic year, subject to the agreement of the host institution.

2. Numbers of Exchange Students

Each institution can send and accept under this program two (2) students each academic year, or four (4) students each studying one semester, or four (4) to five (5) students per summer from the programs listed above. The institutions undertake to balance the number of students from each institution each year. With the agreement of the host institution, the number of students during a particular year may exceed two where it is necessary to “balance” the numbers of exchange students in a particular year.

3. Status of Exchange Students

Each institution shall normally accept incoming exchange students as non-degree or graduate special students (i.e. students who do not intend to obtain a degree or other formal qualification from the host university during the exchange period.)

4. Admission Procedures

The students participating in the exchange program under the terms of this Agreement shall be selected initially by the home institution, and the host institution shall make the final admission decision in each case. The following selection criteria will generally apply:

- Students will have completed at least one year of university work prior to participation in the exchange;
- Students selected should be in good academic standing, as reflected by a minimum 75% average (BJTU) or GPA of 2.75 (UNR) in previous academic work at the home university;
- Students coming from BJTU to UNR should have a good command of the English language, reflected by a minimum score of 61 on the Internet Based Test (iBT), Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the equivalent minimum score of 500 on

the paper-based version of the TOEFL, or other English proficiency requirements accepted by UNR.

5. Study Program

Each exchange student shall determine the study program at the host institution in consultation with academic advisors of both the home and host institutions. Depending on the study program, language requirements and other prerequisites may be imposed in accordance with the regulations of the host institution.

6. Academic Record and Accreditation

The host institution shall evaluate the academic performance of each exchange student according to its rules. Students shall request that an official transcript be sent to the home institution; the home institution may give credit to each student according to its regulations.

7. Tuition, Fees, and Expenses

Exchange students shall not be required to pay admission application fees at the host institution, and provided they have paid the appropriate tuition and fees to their home institution, exchange students shall not be required to pay tuition fees at the host institution. Tuition for courses taken at the Intensive English Language Center at the University of Nevada, Reno is not included in this agreement. All other fees and costs (international travel, accommodation, health insurance, mandatory fees, books, supplies, meals, and other incidental expenses arising out of the exchange) will be the responsibility of the exchange student. The host institution will assist the exchange student to find initial accommodation wherever necessary.

8. Government Requirements

Exchange students will meet all requirements of the host country as regards immigration, including where appropriate, arrangements for their family members and dependents. Exchange students shall ensure that they keep their host institution fully informed of their movements and their contact details during the period of their exchange. The host institution will act as the point of contact with the student on immigration matters.

II. PRINCIPLES OF STUDY-RESEARCH PROGRAM

1. Duration of Stay

The duration of stay for students engaged in a special research program of study at UNR shall normally be for one semester, one academic year, or one summer term.

2. Numbers of Research Students

BJTU may send up to ten (10) qualified undergraduate or graduate students from each of the programs listed above, Civil Engineering, Computer and Information Technology, Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Traffic and Transportation, Electronic and Information Engineering, Electrical Engineering to UNR, to engage in a special program of study and research.

3. Status of Study-Research Students

UNR shall normally accept incoming study-research students as non-degree or graduate special students (i.e. students who do not intend to obtain a degree or other formal qualification from the host university during the exchange period).

4. Admission Procedures

The students participating in the study-research program under the terms of this Agreement shall be selected initially by the home institution (BJTU), and the host institution (UNR) shall make the final admission decision in each case. The following selection criteria will generally apply:

- Students will have completed at least one year of university work prior to participation in the program;
- Students selected should be in good academic standing, as reflected by a minimum 75% average or GPA of 2.75 in previous academic work at the home university (BJTU);
- Students coming to UNR should have a good command of the English language, reflected by a minimum score of 61 on the Internet Based Test (iBT), Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the equivalent minimum score of 500 on the

paper-based version of the TOEFL, or other English proficiency requirements accepted by UNR.

5. Study- Research Program

Each study-research student shall determine the study program at the host institution (UNR) in consultation with academic advisors of both the home (BJTU) and host (UNR) institutions. Depending on the study program, language requirements and other prerequisites may be imposed in accordance with the regulations of the host institution.

6. Academic Record and Accreditation

The host institution (UNR) shall evaluate the academic performance of each exchange student according to its rules. Students shall request that an official transcript be sent to the home institution; the home institution may give credit to each student according to its regulations.

7. Tuition, Fees, and Expenses

Study-research students shall be required to pay the admission application fee and the credit fees including differential fees for courses taken at UNR; credit fees change annually and are available on the UNR web site. Tuition for courses taken at the Intensive English Language Center at UNR is not included in this agreement. The appropriate department in the College of Engineering at UNR will design a program of study and research that will consist of a research project and 3-6 academic credits, or 9-15 academic credits. All fees and costs (tuition, credit fees, international travel, accommodation, health insurance, mandatory fees, books, supplies, meals, and other incidental expenses arising out of the exchange) will be the responsibility of the exchange student. The host institution will assist the exchange student in finding initial accommodation whenever necessary.

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Study-research students will meet all requirements of the host country as regards immigration, including where appropriate, arrangements for their family members and dependents. Students

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III. PRINCIPLES OF Co-support Ph D Candidates

1. BJTU encourages their undergraduate and graduate students from programs listed above to apply for Ph D admission to UNR.
2. Once admitted, UNR will offer an invitation letter to successful candidates so that they can apply for a scholarship from the China Scholarship Council.
3. For those candidates who receive a scholarship from the China Scholarship Council, UNR will work with BJTU and the prospective students to determine a package for financial support in which UNR also provides support to at least offset tuition expenses
4. Students will be required to remain in good academic standing per university guidelines, as outlined in the UNR catalog

Non-Discrimination

Neither party will discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, national origin, color, religion, sexual orientation, veterans/national guard/reserves status, disability or any other prohibited characteristic.

Revision, Commencement and Duration of the Agreement

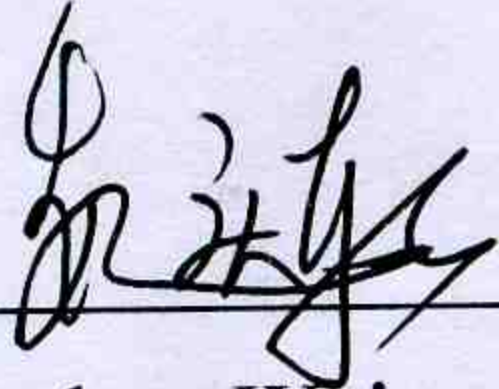
This agreement shall come into effect on the date of its signing by both institutions and remain in effect for a five-year period from the date of signing. This agreement can be revised by mutual consent.

Either university may terminate the agreement in advance of the agreed expiration date by providing the other university with six months prior written notice of termination. In this case, the students who are already studying at a host university shall be allowed to complete the current semester under the conditions of the memorandum.

This agreement may be amended only by the written consent of the parties.

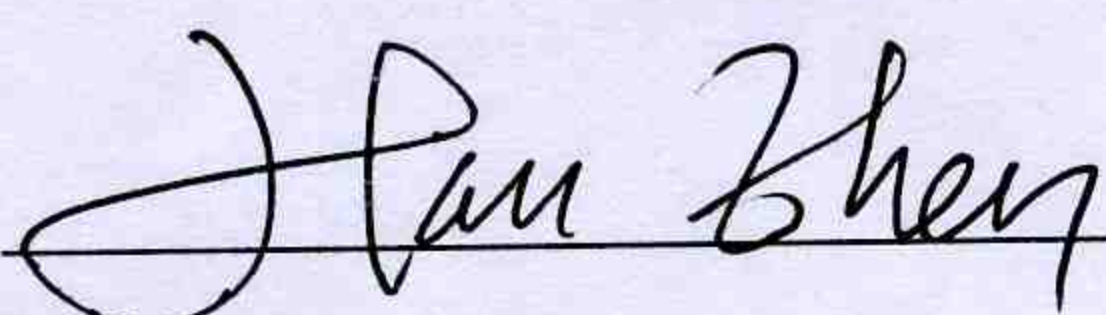
In Witness of the terms of this agreement our signatures are affixed:

On behalf of Beijing Jiaotong University
Beijing, People's Republic of China



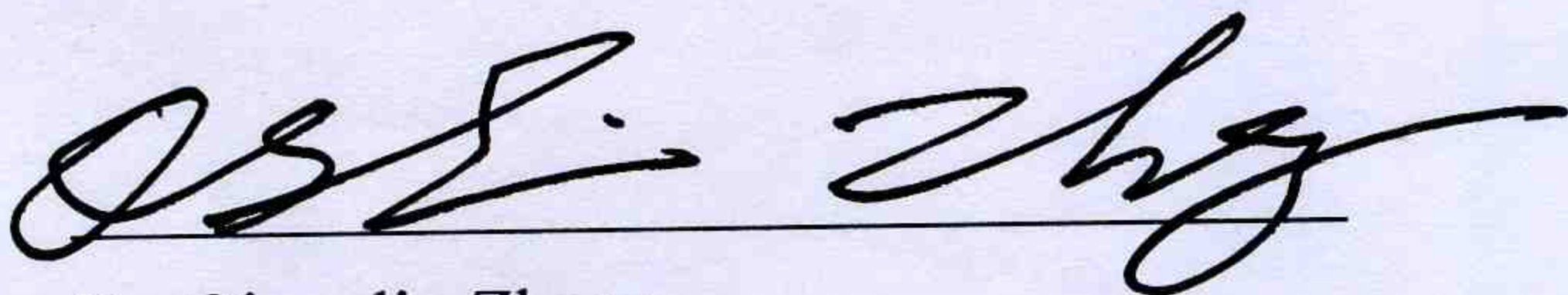
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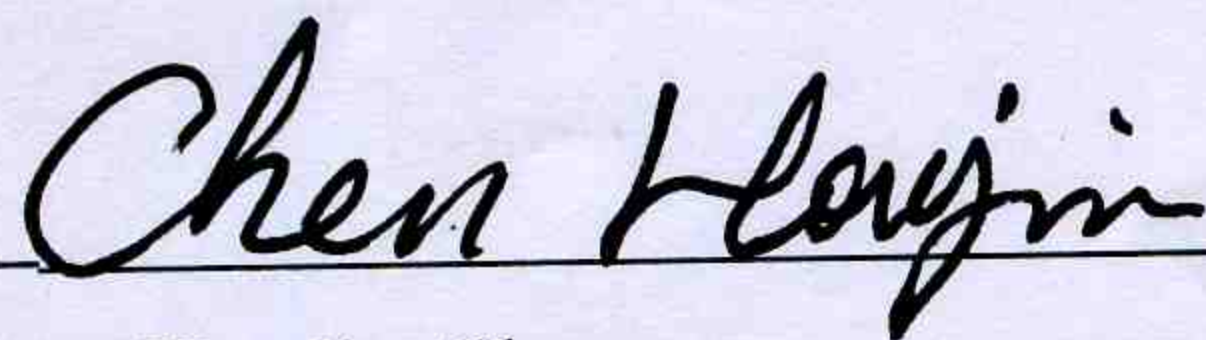
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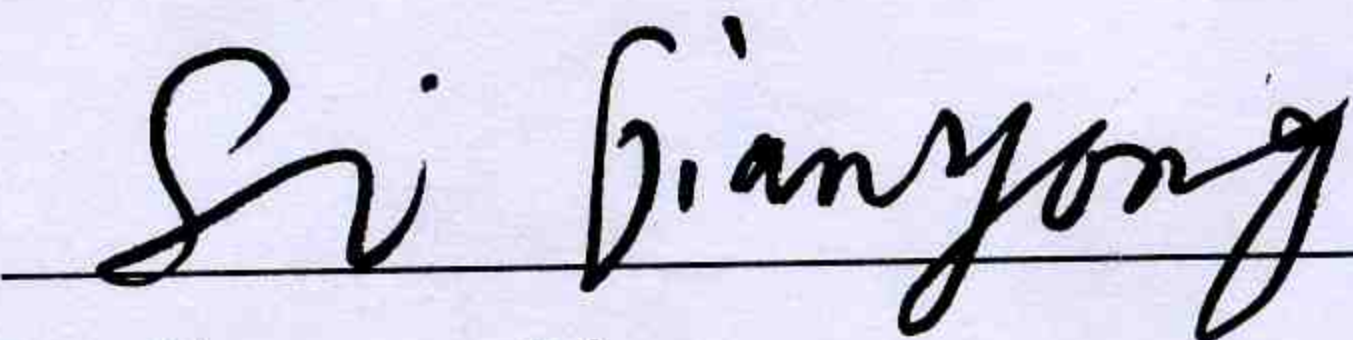
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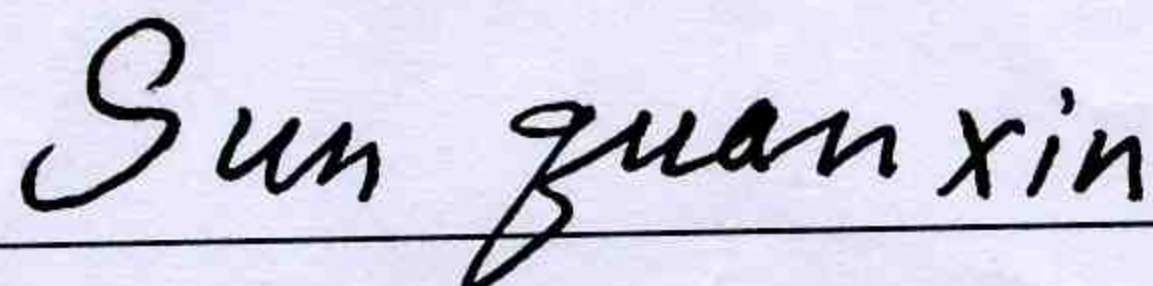
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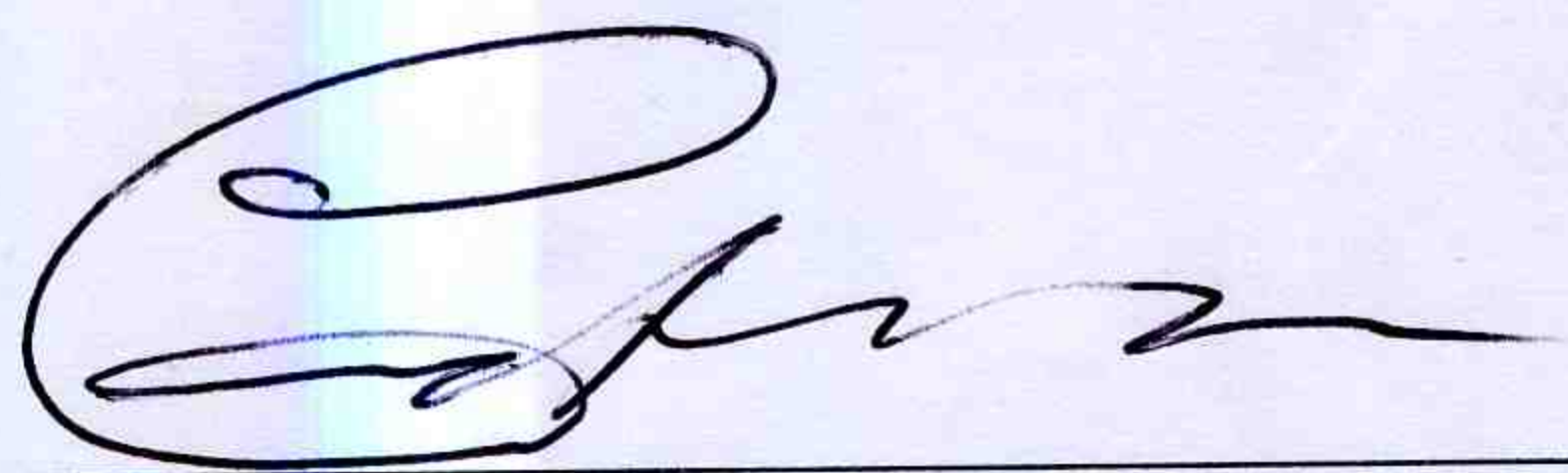
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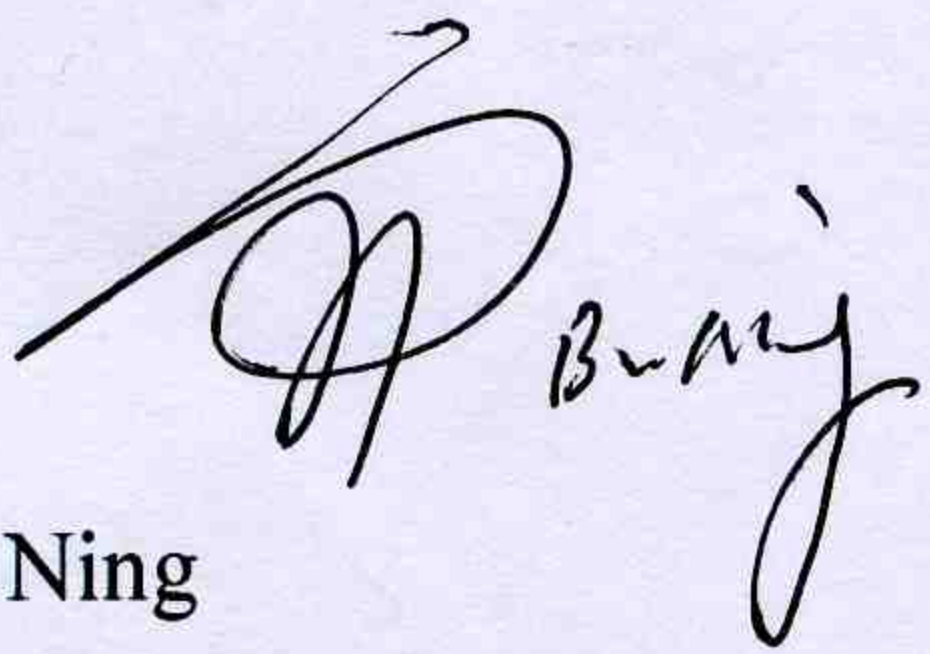
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