LINKAGE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
ANHALT UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES, DESSAU  
AND  
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE

PURPOSE

In order to increase international understanding and awareness on our respective campuses, the College of Architecture of Anhalt University of Applied Sciences in Dessau, Germany and the College of Architecture and Design of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville in the United States of America agree to collaborate with each other in a variety of areas, including the exchange of students, the exchange of faculty members and collaboration on research.

EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS

Anhalt University of Applied Sciences and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville will facilitate the exchange of students, singly or in groups, between the two institutions as agreed by the coordinator of each. The home institution will screen its applicants for exchanges and the host institution reserves the right to accept or reject nominated students. Host institutions may set requirements with regard to student competency in language or other areas. Exchanged students must, throughout the exchange period, maintain levels of insurance coverage as mandated by the regulations of the host university or the laws and regulations of the host government.

Enrolling students will be exchanged on a strict one-for-one basis so as to maintain a balance of student-semesters between the two institutions. The University of Tennessee, Knoxville will send two summer students for every one full semester student sent by Anhalt University of Applied Sciences. They will be enrolled in the regular courses of the host institution on a full-time basis and be classified as non-degree students. Academic credit earned at the host institution will be transferred back to the home institution in accordance with procedures determined by the latter. Students will pay tuition, fieldtrip expenses and other regularly required fees at the home institution. The host university will arrange university housing in residence halls or apartments. All other costs, including housing, food, books, materials, transportation, passports, visas, etc., are the responsibility of individual students.

EXCHANGE OF FACULTY MEMBERS

Anhalt University of Applied Sciences and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville will facilitate the short-term exchange of faculty members, singly or in groups, between the two institutions as agreed by the coordinators. The host institution will facilitate arrangements for appropriate activities and accommodations. Each institution will maintain the salaries and benefits of its own teaching staff during such exchanges. Exchanged faculty members must, throughout the exchange period, maintain levels of insurance coverage as mandated by the regulations of the host university or the laws and regulations of the host government.

RESEARCH COLLABORATION

Anhalt University of Applied Sciences and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville will encourage collaboration on research between the two institutions as agreed by the coordinators.
SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS

Each institution's agreement coordinator will screen its nominees for participation in the exchange and will forward those nominations to the other institution's coordinator. The host institution reserves the right to make final judgment.

COORDINATORS

Coordinators will be named by each institution to ensure that the terms of this agreement are carried out. Further, all activities conducted under the auspices of this exchange program must have the endorsement of the coordinators. At the University of Tennessee, Knoxville the coordinator will be Katherine S. Proctor in the College of Architecture and Design. At Anhalt University of Applied Sciences the coordinator will be Professor Dr. – Ing. Rudolph Lueckmann of the College of Architecture.

EVALUATION

Each institution shall annually evaluate the linkage agreement and its activities, and write a report.

RENEWAL, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT

This agreement shall remain in force for a period of five years from the date of the last signature, with the understanding that it may be terminated by either party giving notice to the other party in writing no later than the end of March in any year. The agreement may be extended by mutual consent of the two parties.

Any amendment to the agreement may be made by the exchange of letters between the two parties.

In witness thereof, the parties have offered their signatures hereto:

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Anhalt University of Applied Sciences Dessau

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