LINKAGE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS, NIGERIA
AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, U.S.A.

PURPOSE

In order to increase international understanding and awareness on our respective campuses, the University of Lagos, Nigeria and the University of Tennessee in the United States of America agree to collaborate with each other in a variety of areas, including the exchange of non-enrolling students, the exchange of faculty members, exchange of administrators and collaboration on research. The proposed exchange activities are multidisciplinary, covering interested disciplines ranging from Engineering, Religious Studies, and African and African-American Studies to Art.

EXCHANGE OF NON-ENROLLING STUDENTS

The University of Lagos and Tennessee will facilitate short-term exchanges of students, singly or in groups, between the two institutions as agreed by the coordinators. The host institution will not enroll students of the other institution but will facilitate arrangements for appropriate educational and research activities and accommodations. Any academic credit which may be awarded to students under this agreement is the responsibility of the home institution. Exchange 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.

EXCHANGE OF FACULTY MEMBERS

The University of Lagos and the University of Tennessee 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. Exchange 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

The University of Lagos and the University of Tennessee 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, the coordinator will be Prof. Adefola Badiru in the Department of Industrial Engineering. At the University of Lagos, the coordinator will be Prof. O. Ibidapo-Obe of the office of Vice-Chancellor. Coordinators will notify their counterparts should a new person be named to the position.
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 of 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:

[Signatures and dates]