

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

DEPAUL UNIVERSITY, UNITED STATES

AND

THE UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN, JORDAN

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter "MOU") is made by and between The University of Jordan, with offices in Amman, (hereinafter "UJ") and DePaul University, an Illinois not-for-profit university with its primary place of business in Chicago, Illinois, USA (hereinafter "DePaul").

WHEREAS, UJ is the oldest institution of higher education in Jordan, established in 1962 by His Majesty The Late King Hussein bin Talal to address the social and economic needs of the country, and offering programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels that are grounded in pedagogies based on dialogue and creative thinking, engaged in field work, practical training and applied research, and;

WHEREAS, in its capacity as a comprehensive teaching, research and community-service institution, UJ collaborates with institutions around the world to develop international partnerships that foster mutually-beneficial research, and educational programming around Arabic language training, Islamic studies and cultural immersion, including courses that engage students in cross-cultural, linguistic and community-based service learning, and;

WHEREAS, DePaul is the largest Catholic university in the United States, founded in 1898 to provide educational opportunities for immigrant and minority populations who otherwise were restricted from quality higher education at the time, offering a high caliber learning environment based in the City of Chicago, and supporting research and coursework that is rooted in hands-on learning experiences and practical knowledge, and;

WHEREAS, driven by a respect for the inherent dignity of all people and the goal to educate all students for an increasingly globalized world, DePaul has established a number of study abroad, student, and faculty exchange relationships, in addition to international service-learning and academically relevant collaborative programs abroad, with the goal of providing students with an enriching cultural and academic experience while learning about and working with diverse communities and organizations around the world;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises which are made a part of this MOU, the mutual promises herein contained and other valuable consideration, DePaul and UJ have agreed to explore the possibility of collaborative programming (hereinafter "Programs & Exchanges"), including but not limited to Programs and Exchanges in Arabic Studies, teacher training, and Service Learning, examining UJ's International Institute for Teaching Arabic to Speakers of Other Languages (II-TASOL) as a possible point of engagement, and collaborating with UJ's Faculty of

Graduate Studies and Faculty of Business to develop a Master's Degree in Real Estate, in partnership with the Amman Mayor's office.

This MOU memorializes the terms that DePaul and UJ have agreed shall govern their working relationship.

1. **Term.** This MOU will be in effect for 5 years, commencing on the date signed by the last party. Thereafter, the term of this MOU may be extended upon mutual written agreement of the parties. Each party may terminate this MOU for any reason upon 90 days notice to the other party. However, in the event that this MOU is terminated, the consequences of that termination on any Programs & Exchanges already underway shall be governed by the terms of the Operational Agreements contemplated by Section 4.
2. **Institutional Representatives.** Each institution will appoint one representative who is responsible for planning and coordinating any Programs & Exchanges or other joint faculty, administration, research, student and, cultural activities on which the parties embark. These representatives will also be designated to communicate with the other institution in matters relating to this MOU.
3. **Exchanges and Collaborative Programming.** In an effort to support Programs & Exchanges each institution will endeavor to provide logistical support as available and appropriate, including facilities and assistance that will facilitate and nurture relevant interests and objectives of the Programs & Exchanges.
4. **Operational Agreements.** The establishment and administration of Programs & Exchanges will be outlined in separate agreements that the parties negotiate and execute. Under no circumstances shall this MOU be interpreted as establishing any Programs & Exchanges in the absence of another specific written agreement detailing the rights and responsibilities of the parties. These Programs & Exchanges will be developed with the mutual benefit of both institutions as the central goal.
5. **Primary Contacts.** The primary contacts for this MOU shall be Joseph Kinsella, Associate Vice President for International Program for DePaul, and the Director of the Office of International Relations for UJ.
6. **Student Records.** UJ and DePaul understand that in the course of performing its responsibilities under this MOU they may learn information or come into possession of records that are otherwise protected by law or the policies of one or both parties. Therefore both parties agree to comply with the policies and procedures of both parties with respect to the security and release of student information and student records, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and any laws applicable in Jordan.
7. **Notice.** Unless otherwise expressly provided in this MOU, any notice or other communication required or given regarding this MOU shall be in writing and

shall be effective for any purpose if served to the attention of the individuals listed in Section 5, with delivery or postage costs prepaid, by nationally recognized commercial overnight delivery service or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following addresses:

To DePaul:

DePaul University
International Programs Office
1 East Jackson Boulevard, Suite
9300
Chicago, Illinois 60604 U.S.A.

To The University of Jordan:

University of Jordan
Office of International Relations
Amman 11942, Jordan

With copy to:

DePaul University
Office of the General Counsel
1 East Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604 U.S.A.

8. **Miscellaneous.** This MOU embodies the entire understanding between and among the parties, and may not be amended or changed in any way except by written instrument signed by the parties. If any portion of this MOU is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, it is the express intention of the parties that the remainder of this MOU shall not be affected thereby. This MOU may not be assigned without the written consent of the non-assigning party. No failure or delay by either party in exercising any right, power or remedy will operate as a waiver of such right, power or remedy, and no waiver will be effective unless it is in writing and signed by the party to be charged thereby.

Each of the signatories hereto represents and warrants that he has the requisite authority to enter into this MOU and that no other consent is required in order to execute and deliver this MOU or to perform hereunder.

SIGNED:

DePaul University

The University of Jordan

By:

Rev. Dennis Holtschneider, C.M.
Rev. Dennis Holtschneider, C.M.
President

By:

K. Karaki
Professor Khaled Al-Karaki
President

Date:

20 May 2009

Date:

2.6.2009