

**CULTURAL CO-OPERATION FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT
BETWEEN UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO
AND THE UNIVERSITY OF BETHLEHEM**

The Rector of the Università degli Studi di Palermo, **Prof. Roberto Lagalla**, and the The Vice Chancellor of Bethlehem University, **Prof. Brother Peter Bray**, envisage that cultural and scientific relations among universities is a necessary and important tool for the mutual understanding of cultures and for the advancement of knowledge and its dissemination.

According to this belief and in the areas deemed of mutual interest for prospective co-operations, the parties intend therefore to foster one or more of the following actions which will be regulated from time to time in separate and more specific agreements. The content of this agreement shall be considered by each party as a declaration of intents which commits the parties exclusively for those initiatives agreed in the specific agreements.

Among the possible actions they agree on:

1. The **co-operation in the study programmes** of the students enrolled in both Institutions which shall imply:

- 1.1. the mobility of students for periods of one trimester or semester at least, according to a plan which shall specify the number of students, temporary enrolment procedures and financial conditions, the possible grants, the guarantee of allocation, transfer and recognition of academic credits;
- 1.2. the mobility of teachers in the framework of agreed training projects;
- 1.3. the drawing up of common study programmes aiming at joint degrees.

2. The **joint participation**:

- 2.1. in programmes promoted by States or by bodies or foundations;
- 2.2. in the co-ordination of proposals directed to the acquisition of funds for the realisation of structures and for the implementation of research and/or training projects.

This agreement shall be in force for three years once signed by both parties. It will be automatically renewed for three years more on the basis of a general evaluation of the agreement. The parties shall notice the intention to withdraw three months before the expiry of the agreement.

The terms and conditions of this agreement, as well as those of the specific agreements related to it, must conform to the laws and statutes regulating both Institutions. The parties will not be obliged to respect those commitments resulting from the specific agreements which could contravene this principle.

This agreement is written in English. All misinterpretations will be settled by mutual assent.

Specific agreements, although signed by decentralised bodies, shall refer to this framework agreement.

The Rector of
Università degli Studi di Palermo



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The Vice Chancellor of
Bethlehem University

Br Peter Bray

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SUPPLEMENT TO THE CULTURAL CO-OPERATION FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE OF UNIVERSITY OF PALERMO AND THE FACULTY OF NURSING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BETHLEHEM

The Faculty of Medicine of the University of Palermo (hereinafter referred to as MEDUNIPA), represented by the **Dean, Prof. Giacomo De Leo**, and the Faculty of Nursing of the University of Bethlehem (hereinafter referred to as NURSEUB), represented by the **Dean, Prof. Mariam Samara Awad**, in order to allow students of the Faculty of Nursing of the University of Bethlehem to perform clinical training at the University Hospital of Palermo and the students of the university of Palermo to perform clinical training at the Bethlehem University affiliated health care structures, stipulate a supplementary protocol to the Cultural Co-Operation Framework Agreement signed by University of Palermo and the University of Bethlehem.

Article 1

- 1.1. NURSEUB sends and MEDUNIPA receives for Clinical training not more than 4 (four) students enrolled in NURSEUB third (last) year of the faculty of nursing.
- 1.2. The clinical training period should last not less than 3 months and not more than 6 months.

Article 2

2.1. MEDUNIPA is committed to:

- 2.1.1. Enable the students of NURSEUB to carry out the clinical training.
- 2.1.2. Concord with NURSEUB the training program that the students will carry out at MEDUNIPA.
- 2.1.3. Appoint a Tutor for the clinical training program.
- 2.1.5. Provide educational assistance to the students during the clinical training.
- 2.1.6. Issue a certificate with an evaluation of the activities performed by students of NURSEUB.
- 2.1.7. Implement all the facilitations for the accommodation of foreign students.

2.2. UB is committed to:

- 2.2.1. Select the students for the for the clinical training, and send them in the period agreed upon by both parties;

2.3. The students are committed to:

- 2.3.1. Comply with the rules and regulations of MEDUNIPA.
- 2.3.3. Carry out the agreed program of study.

Article 3

- 3.1. The training does not constitute an employment relationship with the MEDUNIPA.
- 3.2. The students are committed to undertake on their own expense:
 - 3.2.1. The travel costs;

Article 4.

4.1. If the students held a conduct that harm the rights or interests of MEDUNIPA or commits serious violations of the obligations provided for in this Agreement (rules and regulations and plan of work placement), MEDUNIPA has the right to suspend or terminate the clinical training, informing the NURSEUB in advance.

4.2. In the case of an early suspension of the clinical training the student is obliged to return to NURSEUB.

Article 5.

5.1 This Supplementary Agreement is considered valid for MEDUNIPA students who carry out clinical training exchange in BU-affiliated health care structures.

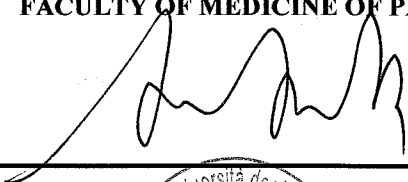



5.2 The MEDUNIPA students staying at Bethlehem should respect the same obligations provided for in this Agreement.

5.3 The NURSEUB is committed to insure all the facilitations for the accommodation of foreign students.

Article 6.

6.1. This Supplementary Agreement is written in English and signed in three copies.

6.2. For everything that is not provided in this Act, please refer to the Agreement between the University of Palermo and the University of Bethlehem.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE OF PALERMO	FACULTY OF NURSING OF BETHLEHME
	
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