

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR INTERUNIVERSITY COOPERATION
BETWEEN**

**THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF THE UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL
("École de santé publique - ESPUM")**

AND

IIHMR UNIVERSITY

I. Strategic cooperation

In accordance with their long standing and successful research cooperation and based on mutual agreement, Université de Montréal, situated at 2900 Edouard-Montpetit, Montreal, Québec, H3T 1J4, Canada and the IIHMR University (Sponsoring body IIHMR a non-profit Society under the Rajasthan Societies Registration Act, 1958) situated at 1, Prabhu Dayal Marg, Near Jaipur International Airport, Sanganer Jaipur 302029, Rajasthan, India are determined to structure and enhance their areas of collaboration in order to reach a sustained level of academic cooperation which includes both teaching and research activities. For both universities this cooperation is part of an international network of highly sought partners among whom multilateral cooperation is also welcome.

II. Concrete measures of cooperation

Université de Montréal and IIHMR University hereby state their mutual commitment to not only fostering and supporting joint projects but actively encouraging and stimulating cooperative activities. To this end, both partners agree upon the principle of continued cooperative activities described below and upon supportive instruments and financial measures, which shall be applied in defined areas of mutual interest.

III. Spirit and type of cooperative activities

In particular, the IIHMR University and Université de Montréal intend to promote those cooperative activities in research, capacity development and teaching which are:

1. Of long standing and target-oriented character ;
2. Embedded in long-term cooperative structures ;
3. Part of a sustained and international teaching program ;
4. Focused on raising third party funds for joint teaching and research projects ;
5. Aimed at establishing/preparing a new long term activity determined by one or both Parties.

Cooperative activities may notably include:

- Exchange of faculty members
- Exchange of students at all levels (Postgraduate students and research scholars)
- Joint research projects and publications with specific emphasis of health economics, health systems and health policy

- Joint mentoring of postgraduate students
- Joint conferences, symposia, workshops and trainings
- Cultural exchange programmes

IV. Supportive instruments and measures

The following measures aim to promote and support long standing cooperative activities. They are designed to foster students and researchers in bilateral exchange activities and they encourage university departments in collaborative research activities and in jointly applying for third party research funding.

a. Exchanges of faculty members

The Parties shall, to the extent of their respective resources and in accordance with the law and their respective policies and regulations, and the applicable collective labour agreements, encourage the performance of the following Activities:

- professor exchanges for periods of up to one academic term;
- participation of the professors and researchers of a Party in conferences, symposia, and scientific events organized by the other Party.

b. Exchanges of postgraduate students and research scholars at all levels.

Both partners agree to prefer student exchange within coordinated programs over individual student exchange

c. Joint research projects

Both Parties will be committed to promoting collaborative research as well as individual areas in which collaboration may be stimulated.

d. Joint student mentoring

Both universities encourage institutes and departments to cooperate in M.Sc. and PhD supervision by facilitating the exchange of students, by developing a joint research programme.

The partner will also be informed about postdoctoral fellowship vacancies, deadlines and application procedures for Graduate Schools and PhD programs.

e. Joint conferences, symposia or workshops

Joint conferences should result from joint research project and teaching seminars.

V. Commitment

Both universities agree that all specific arrangements and plans for activities described in article IV are to be negotiated and are dependent on the availability of funds and resources for each activity.

Both universities agree to seek financial support from national and/or international organizations for the cooperative activities to be undertaken as stated under the term of this agreement.

VI. Contract period

This agreement is valid for five years and becomes effective on the date that is signed by the official representatives of both institutions. This agreement may be reviewed at any time and any modification concerning the present agreement may be made only by mutual consent in writing between authorized representatives of the parties. Either Party may terminate the Agreement at any time upon giving a six-month prior written notice to the other Party.

AND THE PARTIES HAVE SIGNED at the place and date shown above their respective signatures.

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