



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION

Between

NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE Courtenay, British Columbia, Canada

> and Transilvania University of Brasov, Romania

Located in Courtenay, British Columbia, North Island College is a special purpose public college that is committed to high quality and excellence in its programs and services. It offers more than 900 courses and 70 credit programs supported by a dedicated faculty, staff, and administration — all working together to support learner success.

Transilvania University of Braşov (UNITBV) is an accredited higher-education public institution, the largest and the best reputed university in the central region of Romania. Within its 18 faculties, Transilvania University of Braşov offers 100 bachelor's degree programs, 76 master's degree programs and 18 doctoral fields. Over 20,200 students benefit from the competence of more than 1,000 academic staff. UNITBV has 620 partner institutions from 82 countries all over the world.

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is designed to foster a mutually beneficial relationship through cooperation in teaching and research between North Island College (NIC) and the Transilvania University of Brasov (UniTBv) hereinafter jointly referred as "The Parties". No financial obligations are assumed under this agreement.

The Parties have reached agreement on the following areas of cooperation, subject to mutual consent and the availability of sufficient funding:

- Exchange of faculty
- Joint research development and program development
- Transfer of credits/credential for degree/diploma completion
- Double degree opportunities
- Participation in seminars and academic meetings
- Exchange of academic materials and other information
- Special short-term academic programs
- Virtual classroom collaborations
- Student exchange for research and study

The terms of such mutual assistance and funding for any specific program and activity shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of a particular program.

Each institution will designate an individual to coordinate this program and all endeavors that may derive from it. For this purpose, Transilvania University designates Mr. Marius Cristian Luculescu, Professor, and North Island College designates Mr. Mark Herringer, Executive Director, Office of Global Engagement.

No amendment, consent, or waiver of terms of this MOU shall bind either party unless in writing and signed by all parties. Any such amendment, consent, or waiver shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specified purpose given. The parties to this MOU, by the signatures below of their authorized representatives, acknowledge having read and understood this MOU and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

This MOU shall commence on the date of latest signature and be in effect for five (5) years, at which time it shall be reviewed for possible extension. Either party may terminate this MOU by written notification signed by the appropriate official of the institution initiating the notice. However, such notification must be received by the other party at least six (6) months prior to the effective date of termination.

This agreement will become the basis for more specific areas of cooperation and collaboration which will be formally agreed to and become addendums to this Agreement.

FORCE MAJEURE

Parties here to will be released from their obligations under this agreement in the event of national emergency, war, prohibitive government regulation or any other clause beyond the control of the parties hereto that renders the performance of this agreement impossible provided that any money that is due under this agreement shall become forthwith due and payable.

Lisa Domae, PhD, RPP

President and CEO for North Island College

Date: August 6, 2021

Prof. Dr. Ing. Ioan Vasile ABRUDAT

RECTOR of Transilvania
University of Brasov

Date: September 15, 2024

