MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between
VYATKA STATE UNIVERSITY OF HUMANITIES
(Russia)
and
TROY UNIVERSITY
(United States of America)

Vyatka State University of Humanities (VSHU) in the person of its Rector, V.S. Danyushenkov, on the one hand and Troy University (TROY) in the person of its Chancellor, Jack Hawkins, Jr., on the other hand, have concluded the present agreement for the following:

I. Purpose

As provided for by certain agreement between these parties executed on March 19, 2003, this Memorandum of Understanding is entered into for the purposes of extending the level of cooperation through the development of a joint program to facilitate the articulation of Vyatka State Humanities University (VSHU) students to Troy University (TROY) for the purposes of earning a Bachelor of Business Administration degree or a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science degree from TROY and VSHU.

II. Articulation of Courses

Having been duly developed and reviewed by both parties, Attachment A- Curriculum Model for Business Administration Bachelor's Degree and Attachment B- Curriculum Model for Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science is hereby attached and made a part of this Memorandum of Understanding.

III. Length and Time of Attendance

It is understood, that students participating in this program will complete the first three years of their program at VSHU and the fourth year of their program at TROY. Students at both institutions will follow the Curriculum Models hereinto attached. VSHU students will attend TROY for a minimum of three semesters or twelve (12) months.

IV. Responsibilities of Vyatka State Humanities University

VSHU shall:

designate a primary contact person for the program;

recruit and select students from their campus for participation in this program and provide necessary guidance to said students in completing the three year segment of the program prior to enrolling at Troy University;

insure that said students meet admissions requirements to TROY;

insure that students enrolled in the joint program will have completed the required transfer hours as stipulated in the approved Curriculum Models prior to enrolling at TROY;

provide support to the students in preparation for international travel and orientation to TROY;
provide TROY with translated transcripts of participating students at the end of the third year of enrollment at VSHU; and not substantially modify the agreed upon Curriculum Models, without the prior written approval of TROY;

insure that each student executes a document authorizing TROY to release TROY grade information to VSHU;

withdraw students from the program that do not maintain the academic and disciplinary standards of TROY and VSHU; and

grant each student the VSHU Diploma and Bachelor's degree when the prescribed program of study, including the TROY component, is satisfactorily completed.

V. Responsibilities of Troy University

TROY shall:

designate a primary contact person for the program;

provide counseling assistance to VSHU staff in preparing students for transition to TROY;

provide admission approval to VSHU students who meet Troy University admission standards in sufficient time to facilitate travel plans and visa approvals;

allow students who otherwise meet Troy University's admission standards but lack English language proficiency to enroll in the American English Group to take ESL classes until they achieve adequate proficiency;

collect tuition and related fees from participating students for the fourth year of study at TROY, including tuition and fees for any student required to obtain additional coursework to obtain English proficiency;

not substantially modify the agreed upon Curriculum Models without prior written approval of VSHU;

issue letters of admission and the appropriate visa forms;

inform VSHU of the progress and success of students at TROY;

provide transportation between the airport in Montgomery, Alabama and the Troy University Campus in Troy, Alabama;

through the International Programs Office, provide support to VSHU students in adjustment to TROY and the United States;

through the academic advising process, guide and assist VSHU students in matriculation consistent with the agreed upon Curriculum Models; and

withdraw students from the program that do not maintain the academic and disciplinary standards of TROY and VSHU;
make available to VSHU students campus housing consistent with that available to all TROY students and at the customary charge for TROY campus housing;

assess only the customary and accepted charges as duly established by TROY for all TROY students; and

grant each student the U.S. Diploma and Bachelor's degree when the program of study, including the VSHU component, is satisfactorily completed;

VI. Discharge of Agreement for Individual Students

This agreement may be terminated for or by an individual student in the case of circumstances beyond the control of the student, including, changes in applicable rules and regulations that prevent matriculation, failure to obtain the required visa, and personal and health reasons beyond the control of the individual student.

VII. Additional Cooperation and Support

It is further the intent of this agreement that avenues be explored for additional cooperation and mutual support between TROY and VSHU, including: VSHU support in the teaching of Russian language at TROY, economic development cooperation through facilitating the linkage of American and Russian businesses through interuniversity cooperation; and other search and service activities as may be mutually agreed upon by both universities.

VIII. Effective Dates

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective upon execution by both parties.

This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice from the terminating party, however, both parties agree to facilitate the orderly completion of students participating in this program and making satisfactory progress, at the time of termination. The terminating party will provide the terminated party with mutually agreed upon compensation for any customary charges that may be associated with the termination of this agreement, not to exceed then obligated tuition and fees for one academic semester for enrolled students.

For Troy University:

[Signature]

Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor

[Date]

For Vyatka State Humanities University:

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V. S. Danyushenkov, Rector

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