



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION

Between

**NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE
Courtenay, British Columbia, Canada**

and

**Karel de Grote University College (KdG)
Antwerp, Belgium**

Located in Courtenay, British Columbia, North Island College is a public community college that is committed to high quality and excellence in its programs and services. It offers more than 1,000 courses and 80 credit programs supported by a dedicated faculty, staff and administration – all working together to support learner success.

Located in Antwerp, Belgium, Karel de Grote University College has approximately 5,000 professional partners, both nationally and abroad. KdG believes that practical experience is the best way to learn something. To that end, KdG students gain experience in the working world as part of their education, and professors and lecturers regularly invite industry representatives to share their experiences and visions with students at Karel de Grote University College.

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 KdG 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 activities
- Transfer of courses for degree completion
- Participation in seminars and academic meetings
- Exchange of academic materials and other information
- Special short-term academic programs
- 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, KdG designates Doenja Engelsand North Island College designates Romana Pasca, Manager International Projects, Partnerships and Global Education.

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.



Dr. Lisa Domae

President

North Island College

Date: June 6, 2024

Veerle Hendrickx

President

Karel de Grote

Digitaal ondertekend door
Hendrickx Veerle Antonia J
Date: Datum: 27/11/2023 11:56:24