



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION**

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

**and  
UNIVERSITY OF COLIMA  
Colima, Colima, Mexico**

Located in Courtenay, British Columbia, Canada, North Island College is a public college established in 1975 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.

The University of Colima is a public higher education institution established in Mexico under the Executive Order No. 76 published in the Official Gazette of the State Government.

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is designed to foster a mutually beneficial relationship through cooperation in student exchange, teaching and research between North Island College (NIC) and the University of Colima, 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
- 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, University of Colima designates Ana Cecilia García Valencia, Head of International Affairs and Academic Cooperation and North Island College designates Romana Pasca, Manager, International Projects, Partnerships and Global Education, 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.



Dr. Lisa Domae  
President  
North Island College



Dr. Christian Jorge Torres Ortiz Zermeno  
Rector  
University of Colima



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Date: June 21, 2024