



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE, UK  
AND  
DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY, SYRIA**

- 1- The above two universities agree to cooperate in discussions to identify areas where staff and students of both universities can work together to promote international excellence in higher education and the provision of cultural and intellectual enrichment opportunities for staff and students of both parties. The areas of mutual interest will be initially but not exclusively to:
  - Architecture
  - Civil, Mechanical and Renewable Engineering
  - Computing.
- 2- In particular the universities will agree to cooperate in discussions on:
  - Exchange of faculty members to facilitate knowledge transfer between universities and undertake guest lectures and curriculum development.
  - Exchange of staff to facilitate staff development.
  - Exchange of students on prevalent degree programmes.
  - Development of collaborative research project. The property of these researches should be determined to one of the two universities or both of them as agreed upon.
  - Conducting joint events including guest lectures, seminars and workshops, and the commitment of each party should be determined in a separate agreement.
  - Exploring opportunities for collaborative funding for teaching and research.
  - Promoting other academic cooperation as mutually agreed.

In all cases, all activities must comply with the laws and regulations of each institution. Both universities further agree to develop specific written agreement or articulation with respect to specific arrangements noted above or others that may be developed pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding.




- 3- Each university will share information with the other to help promote mutual understanding, and each will respect the confidentiality and intellectual ownership of this information.
- 4- Each university will seek to promote co-operation to mutual benefit, and will be responsible for its own actions and its own costs associated with this memorandum of understanding.
- 5- Each university will respect the name and high reputation of the other, and will consult with the other regarding any publicity or external reference to this memorandum of understanding.
- 6- This memorandum of understanding will be valid for a period of 3 years from the date of first signature. It may be extended or renewed or cancelled by mutual consent if either party notifies of it prior in writing not later than six months prior to the assumed date of the Agreement. The termination of the agreement shall not affect the implementation of the activities carried out in the frame work of this Agreement.

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