

- 38 enrolled) student bodies to be admitted to the DDP.
- 39 3. The application procedure is initially performed under the home department's auspice,
40 and when this is completed the relevant documentation is transferred to the host
41 department at which the corresponding process is performed.
- 42 4. All students admitted must fulfill credit point accumulation requirements of both
43 universities. The number of transferring credits along grades from CU to the host
44 university must be no more than half the acquired total units for graduation at CU.
- 45 5. The DDP must result in at least one international and one national publication for CU.
46 The number of publications should fulfill the graduation requirements of both
47 universities combined. The publications should be in internationally acknowledged
48 journals with peer review, and the Ph.D. students should feature as first author.
- 49 6. Two (2) dissertations, that are not more than 25% of overlapping contents including
50 results will be written in English, and of both cases, given some contents may be shared
51 and must specify in text in the dissertation(s) that this dissertation was also used to
52 fulfill the partner university degree program. The format of two (2) dissertations, that
53 are not more than 25% of overlapping contents including results, should meet the
54 requirements of each university separately.

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56 **III. Duration of study**

- 57 1. The duration of DDP, in the normal case, corresponds to no less than 24 months.
- 58 2. During the DDP the student will have to spend a minimum of 12 months at each of the
59 two universities CU and KMU, pursuing the agreed project plan. Period of staying at
60 host university shall not exceed three (3) years.

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62 **IV. Dissertation**

- 63 1. Upon completion of the project a thesis written in English will be published and
64 subsequently defended during a public dissertation performed in English at the home
65 university.
- 66 2. The design and composition of the thesis, requirements for publication and availability
67 should be made according to the regulations of both universities.
- 68 3. The dissertation grading committee will be composed according to regulations of both
69 universities. As far as possible at least one member of the committee should be
70 appointed from the host university.
- 71 4. A decision by one university not to award the degree will not preclude the other
72 university from awarding the degree.

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74 **V. Intellectual property rights**

- 75 1. Intellectual property rights that arise from any invention or discovery developed by
76 the program student during their stay in the program shall be processed by each
77 university according to its regulation.
- 78 2. Joint research and development projects and co-author publications shall be
79 forwarded through collaboration and determined through consultation between two
80 parties.
- 81 3. The parties agree that students will own the intellectual property they create which is
82 directly related to their research project, unless other arrangement are agreed in
83 advance by the students, CU and KMU.

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85 If controversial issues regarding intellectual or industrial property rights arise, the
86 parties agree to use their best efforts to settle any dispute concerning this agreement
87 amicably. However, if the parties are unable to resolve any dispute concerning this
88 agreement amicably, the dispute shall be finally settled under the Rules of Arbitration
89 of the International Chamber of Commerce by one or more arbitrators appointed in
90 accordance with the said Rules. The arbitration shall in this case take place in Zürich.

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92 **VI. Degree conferral**

- 93 1. On successful completion of the DDP, the degree of PhD. will be conferred by both
94 home and host universities on the participating student who meets the graduation
95 requirements of both home and host universities.

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97 **VII. Tuition and fees**

- 98 1. Students participating in the DDP are responsible for the payment of any necessary
99 tuition fees to their home university. Admission fee and tuition fees at the host
100 university are waived.
- 101 2. Participating students do not have to pay credit or bench fees at the host university.
- 102 3. Costs related to the dissertation will be covered by the university at which the
103 dissertation is performed. If two dissertations are performed, each university will cover
104 costs related to respective dissertation.
- 105 4. Participating students may be competitively considered for a stipend and/or tuition
106 scholarship at the home and/or host university, according to the eligibility criteria of the
107 universities. Other incidental fees and charges, travel and associated costs,
108 accommodation, and personal expenses are the responsibility of the students.
- 109 5. Students are responsible for arranging a suitable insurance plan, which must include
110 sufficient medical coverage. The cost of the insurance will be paid by the students
111 (unless special arrangements are made by the home or host university). It is

112 recommended that students consider purchasing additional travel and health insurance
113 to provide broader coverage.

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115 **VIII. Effectiveness, amendments and termination**

116 1. This agreement shall come into effect on the date of the final signature. This agreement
117 is valid for five years and may be reviewed at any time.

118 2. Should either of the two universities CU and KMU consider that any part of the present
119 agreement is no longer appropriate, that university can propose an amendment. Any
120 amended version will come into effect when signed by both universities.

121 3. If termination of the present agreement becomes necessary, written notice must be
122 given to the other university at least six months prior to the desired day of effect of the
123 termination, and the reason for termination explained. Termination of this agreement
124 will not affect any student who has already been admitted to the DDP and those students
125 shall be allowed to undertake and complete the DDP.

126 4. If the present agreement is terminated, both universities shall fulfill their duties and
127 responsibilities as home and host universities, respectively, based on good faith to
128 protect the rights of students who have enrolled in the DDP.

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130 **IX. Application for suspension of studies in the DDP, and return from suspension**

131 1. For application for suspension of studies, and return from temporary suspension, the
132 regulations of the home university shall be taken into consideration.

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SIGNED for and on behalf of
KAOHSIUNG MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

SIGNED for and on behalf of
CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY

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Date: *Aug 11, 2021*

Date: *Aug 30, 2021*



Prof. Yuh-Jyh Jong
President

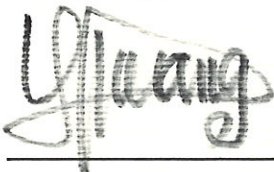
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