

Memorandum of Understanding
Between
ANKARA UNIVERSITY, TURKEY
And
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

In the spirit of mutual cooperation, Ankara University and Mississippi State University enter this Agreement for the purpose of enhancing the educational and research opportunities and experiences of their students and faculty. More specifically, this Agreement will promote:

1. opportunities for qualified students enrolled at one university to study at the other University, and in such opportunities, student transfers will be required to meet admissions standards established by the respective institution;
2. the development of cooperative endeavors in research and education and the sharing of faculty and research scholars for such purposes;
3. the identification of commonalities which will nurture the relationship between these two Universities;
4. the exchange of educational and cultural materials of mutual interest to both Universities; and
5. the recognition of each other as institutions that can and will provide attractive "study abroad" opportunities for students based upon the similarity of missions and mutual commitment to international understanding through education, research, and service.

This Agreement does not commit or imply any financial obligations on the part of either institution. Unless otherwise and specifically agreed to in writing and signed by both parties as a formal modification to this Agreement, each University is responsible for any expenses it may incur as a result of this Agreement.

Details concerning exchange of academic staff and/or students such as yearly quotas, duration of stay, fees, etc. will be defined in a separately prepared Agreement. A similar program Agreement may also be prepared for the implementation of joint research projects.

This Agreement shall be effective upon signature by both parties and shall have a term of five (5) years after which time it will automatically expire unless the parties execute a written renewal agreement to extend the term of the agreement for an additional five (5) years. The Agreement may be terminated by mutual consent or upon six (6) months' written notice.

Modifications to this agreement must be approved and executed with the same formality and require the signatures of authorized University personnel before they are binding. Responsibility for implementing this Agreement rests at Ankara University with the Rector and at Mississippi State University with the Provost and Executive Vice President. The Agreement shall be reviewed during the fifth year to evaluate the progress and the quality of the mutual cooperation.

Mississippi State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. to award bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. Ankara University is not accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. and the accreditation of Mississippi State University does not extend to or include Ankara University or its students. Although, as of the date of signing, Mississippi State University accepts certain Ankara University course work in transfer, other colleges and universities may not accept this work in transfer, even if it appears on a



transcript from Mississippi State University. Additionally, the possibility of course and personnel changes render Mississippi State University unable to guarantee the continuing acceptance of Ankara University course work to the same extent it is currently accepted.

This document has been prepared in English, as two separate copies. Both copies are the same in content and equally valid.

APPROVAL:

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