



# COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA PARAIBA

In view of the positive relationship between our institutions, we agree to formally ratify ties and to dedicate ourselves to collaborative efforts aiming at providing mutual benefits for our institutions.

#### **Background**

Texas Tech University ("TTU") and Universidade Federal da Paraiba ("UFPB"), (collectively referred to as "the parties") desire to cooperate in programs of common interest and expertise. The parties propose to negotiate and enter into specific agreements concerning exchange of students and faculty, collaborative creative activity and research, and other activities following the signing of this Agreement for Cooperation and Collaboration ("Agreement").

# **Terms of Agreement**

## I. Definitions

- A. "Home Institution" is a party to this Agreement that sends its faculty members and/or students to the other party (institution) for the purposes of teaching, study, and/or creative activity and research.
- B. "Host Institution" is a party to this Agreement that accepts the visiting faculty member(s) and/or student(s) from the other party for teaching, study, creative activity, and/or research.
- C. "Participating Individuals" are those individuals nominated by the Home Institution who travel to the Host Institution.

#### II. Purpose of the Agreement:

A. The primary objective of this Agreement is to establish a collaborative framework between TTU and UFPB to promote the academic interchange of faculty and students and academic and fundamental research information between the two Institutions. TTU and UFPB plan to engage in collaborative research efforts including, but not limited to, co-applying for collaborative research grants.

B. The parties concur that this Agreement will be incorporated by reference, and will provide the foundation for particular projects developed by academic and administrative units from the two Institutions, the terms of which will be negotiated at a later time. Nothing in this Agreement creates any financial obligations between the parties. Rather, the parties seek to foster genuine and mutually beneficial academic cooperation.

# III. Commitment to Furthering Exchange Programs and Joint Research

- A. Each party agrees to encourage the exchange of its research personnel and of scientific documents and materials with the other party. Further, each party agrees to encourage teaching exchange programs with the other party.
- B. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the costs of health, accident, repatriation, liability and/or any other applicable insurance will be borne by the Participating Individuals or by the home institution, unless otherwise negotiated. institution will ensure that their personnel traveling abroad have medical and health insurance which meets the legal requirements of the host country.

To facilitate cooperation, each party appoints the following administrators to coordinate all aspects of any exchange: At TTU, the contact is Dr. Sukant Misra, Vice Provost for International Affairs, or his designee. At UFPB, the contact officer will be Professor Ana Berenice Peres Martorelli, Director UFPB Agency for International Cooperation (AIC)

C. or his/her designee. If either contact designates coordinating authority, that party will give notice of the designee in writing to the other party.

## IV. Program Review

- A. **Term**. This Agreement will commence on the date of last signature and will expire four years from that date.
- B. Amendments. All amendments to the Agreement during its term will take effect upon the written approval of both parties. Only the original signatories or his or her successors, or their designees may authorize an amendment.
- D. Termination and Notice. Either party may terminate this Agreement earlier than it's natural expiration upon 30 days prior written notice to the other party at the following addresses:

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#### V.General

A. Neither party will use the other party's name or any name that is likely to suggest that it is related to the other institution in any advertising, promotion or sales literature without first obtaining prior written consent of the other institution.

### B. Governing law:

- 1. The parties acknowledge TTU is governed by United States and Texas law.
- 2. The parties acknowledge UFPB is governed by Brazilian Federal and state law.
- C. The signatories to this Agreement warrant and represent that at the time of execution of this Agreement he or she has the full authority to execute this Agreement for the party on whose behalf he or she is signing.
- D. Assignment: This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other party.
- E. Force Majeure: If the performance of obligations under this Agreement are rendered impossible or hazardous or is otherwise prevented or impaired due to illness, accident, Act(s) of God, riots, strikes, labor difficulties, epidemics, earthquakes, and/or any other cause or event, similar or dissimilar, beyond the control of either party, then each party's obligations to the other under this Agreement shall be excused and neither party shall have any liability to the other under or in connection with those terms.

The Agreement has been drafted in English and the English version is the official version.

In witness thereof, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed by its authorized officers as of the dates indicated below.

For Texas Tech University	For Universidade Federal da Paraiba
Michael Galyean, Ph.D., Provost	Magareth de Fátima Melo Formiga Diniz. Rector
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