



Memorandum of Basic Understanding for Formulation of Postgraduate Program on Tropical Fisheries with International Linkage amongst Participating Institutions

The Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Science, Sam Ratulangi University, Republic of Indonesia, the Faculty of Fisheries, Kagoshima University, Japan, College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, the University of the Philippines Visayas, Republic of the Philippines, and the Faculty of Fisheries, Kasetsart University, Thailand hereby agree to pursue formulation of a postgraduate program on tropical fisheries with international linkage (hereinafter, referred to as 'the program') on the basis of the spirit of equality and cooperation.

Purpose

Article 1 The purpose of the program shall be enhancement of the quality of education by providing individually characteristic and advanced education from the participating institutions to students who will take the curriculum of the program.

Organisation to be pursued

Article 2 The program shall be formulated with subjects provided and commonly possessed by the participating institutions. Academic staff members shall belong to the institution in which they are employed. Students registered in the program shall belong to the institution which they entered and they shall graduate the said institution. The program shall issue certificate to students who attained the number of credits determined by the program and research supervision. Participating institutions shall have a duty to provide education services equal in quality to all the students who take the program, notwithstanding institutions which they belong to, with no additional cost.

Policy of operation

Article 3 The participating institutions shall endeavour to establish a program and relevant and necessary rules under close and continuous cooperation. The institutional relationship between the concerned program and each existing program(s) in each participating institution shall, however, be determined by each participating institution.

Mutual understanding and respect

Article 4 The participating institutions shall understand the missions and visions of each university and faculty/college as well as a higher education system in each country, respect individual independence and autonomy, and pursue formulation of one education quality management system which is internationally valuable and acceptable.

Start of program

Article 5 The program shall start at the date of the earliest start of an academic year amongst the participating institutions in the 2015 calendar year and each institution shall pursue to start implementation of it on the date when each academic year starts.

Promotion of Researches

Article 6 In addition to cooperative education, research cooperation shall be pursued.

Management organisation

Article 7 In order to pursue formulation of a Governing Council for Management of the Program which will be a basic governing body of the program, an interim planning committee consisting of representatives including Deans from all the participating institutions shall be established.

Responsibility for Expenses

Article 8 Each participating institution shall be responsible to meet expenses needed for individual planning activities. Notwithstanding the preceding Paragraph, all the participating institutions shall endeavour to obtain external funding sources for the purpose of formulation, implementation and enhancement of the program.

Deliberation

Article 9 In the event when a matter with no provision in this agreement or a question in application of the provisions of this agreement arises, the participating institutions shall endeavour to solve it promptly on sincere deliberation.

Change in agreement

Article 10 Any change in this agreement shall be performed on the consensus of all the participating institutions on deliberation, if necessary.

Additional provision

Article 11 Four copies of this agreement shall be prepared in English and each institution shall possess a copy.

Effectivity

Article 12 This agreement shall be effective on the date when signatures of all the representatives of the participating institutions are received. This agreement shall be revoked on the date when a higher level agreement comes into effective through development of the planning and cooperation. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, this agreement shall be revoked when three (3) of the participating institutions so agree.

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