

AGREEMENT OF BACHELOR AND MASTER DEGREE COLLABORATION
BETWEEN
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT STONY BROOK
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
SOUTH CHINA NORMAL UNIVERSITY
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

In recognition of the importance of international education and particularly to expand ties between the two institutions, the State University of New York at Stony Brook, United States of America (hereafter SBU) and South China Normal University, the People's Republic of China (hereafter SCNU) agree to develop and administer a cooperative two-degree program for undergraduate students initially admitted to SCNU. This Program is specifically designed to enable qualified participants from SCNU, as determined by both universities, to enter a Bachelor and Master Degree Collaboration (hereafter Program) after three years of undergraduate course work at SCNU. Students in the Program will earn a bachelor's degree from SCNU and a master's degree from SBU upon successful completion of the respective requirements.

Nominations

SCNU must seek prior consent of SBU academic department(s) for respective disciplines of study. The number of undergraduate students to be nominated each year shall be determined by mutual consent. Admitted students to the Program are expected to complete at least three years at SCNU prior to coming to SBU. Supporting documentation of nominations including credentials, complete academic records, a student personal statement, letters of recommendation, and any other additional requirements will be made available to SBU's International Academic Programs and Graduate School by April 1 for fall admissions and October 15 for spring admissions.

Requirements

The minimum GPA requirement is 3.0 on a 4.0 grade scale unless otherwise required by a department. Nominated SCNU students are required to provide a minimum TOEFL score of 85 on the internet-based test or a minimum IELTS score of 7 (no subsection below 6). Students must have completed all pre-requisites as designated by the Program.

Admission

Admission is open to SBU academic department(s) with the prior consent only. SCNU nominees will be accepted by the Office of International Academic Programs as full-time visiting undergraduate students for the

first year of the Program and will receive conditional offer of admission to the Graduate School as matriculated graduate students for the second year of the Program. The nomination by SCNU and documentation of minimal requirements will not in themselves guarantee admission to the Program.

Advancement to Graduate Program

SCNU students enrolled in the Program will receive a subsequent offer of admission to the master program at SBU if they maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher during the first semester as a visiting undergraduate student at SBU. The GRE requirement by the Graduate School will be waived for students in the Program unless otherwise requested. The students may apply a maximum of six graduate credits taken while undergraduate students toward the fulfillment of master's degree requirement. Registering for graduate courses while having undergraduate status requires advanced approval.

Degree Conferral

Students in the Program will earn a bachelor's degree from SCNU and a master's degree from SBU upon successful completion of the respective requirements for each program. SCNU will provide SBU with documentation that participating students have been awarded their bachelor's degree after their first year of the Program. Students will not be able to continue in the master's program if this is not provided within the first semester of matriculation in the master's program.

Academic Record

On the request of the student, SBU shall send SCNU an official record of coursework completed. SCNU shall assess the academic work completed at the SBU and shall award credit to its students in accordance with its own academic policies and regulations.

Tuition and Fees

Every student will be subject to the prevailing out-of-state tuition and fees for the undergraduate and graduate program at SBU. SCNU students may apply for SBU housing and participate in the student meal plan. SCNU students are required to enroll in the mandatory health insurance program of SBU and shall be responsible for all deductible costs related to health care services.

Visas

SBU shall assist SCNU students to obtain visas (F1) and other documents required for entry to the U.S. To comply with the U.S. regulations, SCNU students shall be required to provide a guarantee that they have financial resources sufficient to meet all expenses.

Duration and Termination of Agreement

This Agreement is established for a period of five years, effective on the date of the last signatory. At the end of each five-year period, it will be automatically renewed by mutual agreement for an additional five years, unless JI or SBU provide written notification of a decision of non-renewal prior to the expiration date. A minimum period of six months notice will be required from either party wishing to terminate the Agreement. In the event of termination, all commitments to students participating in the program will be honored by relevant parties.

The following parties have executed this Agreement as of the dates set forth below.

For the State University of New York at Stony Brook

For South China Normal University



Michael Bernstein, Ph.D.

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Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Date: Nov. 27, 2017

Date: Nov 24, 2017