AGREEMENT FOR A STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM BETWEEN OTTERBEIN COLLEGE AND KANSAI GAIDAI UNIVERSITY

Otterbein College (hereafter referred to as Otterbein), Ohio, U.S.A. and Kansai Gaidai University (hereafter referred to as Kansai Gaidai), Hirakata, Osaka, Japan, hereby agree upon the following terms and conditions as set forth in this Student Exchange Agreement, beginning with the 2005 Fall semester and continuing each regular semester thereafter for an indefinite period.

- 1. The purpose of this exchange program is to promote international friendship and world peace by stimulating and supporting intercultural activities and projects between students from the U.S. and Japan.
- 2. Each institution, conforming to the admission requirements of the host institution, shall assume full responsibility in the assessment and selection of qualified candidates. The host institution shall then respect the selection so made. The selection process shall consist of stringent evaluation of the student's previous academic record, drive, motivation, and overall potential to succeed in an international academic environment.

Kansai Gaidai, respecting the minimum English proficiency admission level established by Otterbein, shall, as part of the screening procedure, closely scrutinize the English proficiency of all potential exchange candidates through a series of oral and written examinations developed by Kansai Gaidai. These will establish language proficiency, and thus the TOEFL requirement will be waived.

In principle, students at both institutions shall have at least a 3.0 GPA or equivalent (on a 4.0 scale) in their academic work.

- 3. Each institution shall accept students from the other party on the basis of the home institution's recommendation and according to the following guidelines. The number of students to exchange is one or two each year. If the number exceeds two for a given year, prior approval must be obtained from the host institution.
 - a. Otterbein shall accept full-time Kansai Gaidai students in its undergraduate program for one full academic year.
 - b. Kansai Gaidai shall accept full-time Otterbein students in the Asian Studies Program for one full academic year.
 - c. Either institution may send students for one semester rather than for one full academic year. In this case, two students for one semester shall be equivalent to one student for one full academic year.

- 4. While each institution shall try to exchange the same number of students in a given year, neither party is required to do so.
 - a. If/when either party is not able to designate any qualified students, it will not affect the other party's sending their exchange students, since both institutions agree to the operation of a credit system.
 - b. Under the credit system, every effort will be made to correct any imbalance in the exchange of students within three years of the creating of that imbalance. In the event this agreement is terminated as provided for in item 13 below, the institution having hosted the larger number of student-semesters to that point shall be entitled to rectify any imbalance by sending additional students to the other institution under the terms of this agreement until the imbalance is rectified. This rectification should be accomplished within two years from the date this agreement is officially terminated.
- 5. All exchange students shall be subject to the same academic regulations regarding class performance as pertain to regularly enrolled students at the receiving institution. All exchange students shall, within reasonable limits, attempt to represent their home institution and country in the host community to the best of their ability.
- 6. Students who are accepted for a full academic year must be in good standing (2.0 GPA with no F's) or its equivalent upon the completion of their first semester at the host institution, in accordance with the host institution's academic requirements for its regularly enrolled students. If such has not been achieved, the host institution may ask said student to return to his/her home university.
- 7. Each exchange participant shall pay room, board and tuition and other mandatory academic fees to his/her home institution, thereby covering said fees for his/her exchange counterpart.
- 8. Housing shall be arranged as follows:
 - a. It is recommended that exchange students from Otterbein participate in the homestay program arranged by Kansai Gaidai. However, students can be accommodated in a Kansai Gaidai dormitory. In this case, Kansai Gaidai will give a cash stipend to the student to cover meal expenses, since meals are not included in the dormitory arrangement.
 - b. Kansai Gaidai students shall be provided housing in one of Otterbein's dormitories with a roommate carefully selected by Otterbein.
- 9. Each exchange student must provide his/her own transportation to/from the port-of-entry of the host country as well as the domestic transportation from/to the port-of-entry to/from the depot nearest to the receiving institution. The following expenses shall also be borne by each student: living expenses during extended academic recess (i.e. holidays, winter and spring break periods, etc.). passport expenses. excess baggage shipment and storage, independent travel and such personal expenses as telephone charges, books, etc.

- Minor illnesses may be treated at the receiving institution's health center. However, 10. hospital and other medical expenses are the sole responsibility of each student. Each student must purchase insurance to cover medical contingencies while in the host country.
- Violation of local laws committed in the host institution and the host country shall 11. subject the exchange student to immediate withdrawal of his/her immigration and academic sponsorship and to immediate expulsion from the host country.
- 12. The academic record of each student's academic performance shall be sent directly to his/her home institution at the conclusion of each semester. However, it shall be the sole responsibility of the home institution to decide how many credit units said student may actually receive on courses taken at the host institution.
- This agreement shall continue for an indefinite period, but may be terminated by either Otterbein or Kansai Gaidai by official, written notification duly signed by the 13. presiding officer of the notifying party. This notice of termination must be received by the other party no later than the end of September of the previous year in which the termination is to become effective.

In witness of the terms of this agreement, our signatures are affixed:

OTTERBEIN COLLEGE

KANSAI GAIDAI UNIVERSITY

DATE: 8 Nov 2004

Sadato Tanimoto President

NOV. 18.2004 DATE: