# CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Columbia International University, 7435 Monticello Road, Columbia, SC | HEART Missionary Training Institute, 13895 Hwy 27, Lake Wales, FL 33859

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**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to establish the terms and conditions under which the H.E.A.R.T. Missionary Training Institute (H.E.A.R.T.) will function in relation to Columbia International University (CIU).

## **COMPATABILITY OF INSTITUTIONAL MISSION:**

The mission of CIU is to educate people from a biblical worldview to impact the nations with the message of Christ. This mission is encapsulated in the motto "To know Him and to make Him known."

The mission of HEART is to educate, equip and empower Christian workers with practical skills in cultural adaptation, problem-solving and community development for the purpose of meeting the needs of the hungry and oppressed while sharing the good news of God's love.

The H.E.A.R.T. Institute will open its programs to students from Columbia International University who are qualified and wish to participate in H.E.A.R.T.'s specialized training programs. To direct this cooperative effort, the following guidelines have been agreed upon by both parties.

At CIU, the educational unit that will implement this agreement is the College of Intercultural Studies.

#### H.E.A.R.T.:

- 1. H.E.A.R.T. agrees to provide CIU students priority access to their training program.
- 2. H.E.A.R.T. will provide CIU with promotional materials and information to make available to their faculty and students.
- 3. H.E.A.R.T. will maintain a faculty and staff with high levels of competency in their field of instruction and will provide CIU with official credentials (transcripts) of each professor.
- 4. CIU recognizes that H.E.A.R.T. works with other regionally accredited Institutions of Higher Education, and the program is located on or near the campus of Warner University in Lake Wales, Florida, which provides academic resources in close proximity to this training experience. Columbia International University recognizes that all courses taught at the H.E.A.R.T. Institute are courses accepted by Warner University, a Southern Association of Colleges and Schools regionally accredited institution. If at any time, the H.E.A.R.T. Institute no longer works in cooperation with Warner University, the Institute will notify CIU immediately.
- 5. CIU does not regulate, hire, nor evaluate the program, the curriculum, nor the faculty of the H.E.A.R.T. experience. H.E.A.R.T. is recognized as a learning experience for students, as an off-campus student opportunity. If a student chooses to attend H.E.A.R.T., the student will earn academic credit, as long as the experience meets accreditation standards.
- 6. H.E.A.R.T. will provide CIU with syllabi for each course offered.

#### CIU:

- 1. CIU will inform their students of the opportunity to study at H.E.A.R.T.
- 2. CIU will charge each student the regular CIU published tuition rate for the semester. Students may enroll for a maximum of 18 credit hours to be earned via H.E.A.R.T.
- 3. CIU will pay H.E.A.R.T. an instructional fee for each CIU student enrolled in the program (70% of the CIU total tuition):

2019-20 Academic year--\$8000 for each student enrolled in the program 2020-21 Academic year--\$8000 for each student enrolled in the program 2021-22 Academic year--\$8000 for each student enrolled in the program

- 4. CIU will charge CIU students the same rates as other H.E.A.R.T. students for room, board, fees and books. (See <a href="http://heartvillage.org/cost-breakdown-15-week-program/">http://heartvillage.org/cost-breakdown-15-week-program/</a> for a breakdown of these costs.)
- 5. The policies of CIU regarding enrollment and disenrollment will apply to any refunds. H.E.A.R.T. will refund the determined amount to CIU and CIU will transact the refund to the student.
- 6. The CIU Dean of the College of Intercultural Studies at CIU will appoint a representative to serve as the liaison with the H.E.A.R.T. Institute. This representative will coordinate all communication, screening, and enrollment of CIU students, faculty advising, and academic record-keeping appropriate to maintaining this agreement with the executive leadership of H.E.A.R.T.

### Both H.E.A.R.T. and CIU understand that:

- 1. Students from CIU will register and receive academic credit for the H.E.A.R.T. courses at CIU.
- 2. Students must have a 2.0+ cumulative GPA to be eligible for the H.E.A.R.T. program.
- 3. Students will receive academic credit for the following courses:

ICD 2310 Appropriate Technologies	(3 hrs.)
ICD 2320 Small Animal Husbandry	(3 hrs.)
ICD 2330 Sustainable Agriculture	(3 hrs.)
ICD 3310 Primary Health and Nutrition	(3 hrs.)
ICS 3900 Semester Practicum	(3 hrs.)
ICD 4110 Cross-Cultural Communications in Community Development	(3 hrs.)

- 4. Students will normally pay all fees (tuition, room, board, fees, and books, etc.) directly to CIU, working with Financial Aid to assure that all arrangements have been made. H.E.A.R.T. will invoice CIU for these expenses once the student has arrived at HEART to begin studies. CIU will send full payment to HEART once all charges have been paid by the student. Spouses and children of CIU students may reside in the H.E.A.R.T. village. Room and board for adults and teens will be the same price as for students. Children under 12 years of age pay half while children under one-year-old are free.
- 5. Students from CIU agree to receive supervision from H.E.A.R.T. faculty and staff.

6. CIU students can apply for the H.E.A.R.T. matching scholarship that provides up to \$1,000 in assistance for educational and living expenses during their semester at H.E.A.R.T.

## The specific terms of this agreement are as follows:

- This document does not establish an academic partnership but an articulation agreement for the benefit of qualified students.
- This cooperative agreement will remain in effect for three years but may be changed with the mutual written consent of both H.E.A.R.T. and CIU at any time.
- The agreement may also be amended with the consent of both institutions.
- If there has been no activity for the previous five years, then the program and agreement will be terminated and a review for renewal is not required.

### **Authorization**

(P.O.M.D.)	02-18-2020	
Phillip Murphy, Executive Director H.E.A.R.T Institute	Date	
Ed Smither	02-18-2020	
Ed Smither, Dean College of Intercultural Studies Columbia International University	Date	
James Lanpher	02-19-2020	
James E. Lanpher, Provost Columbia International University	Date	