College Exchange Agreement
between
The University of Toledo College of Pharmacy
and
Szeged University Faculty of Pharmacy
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In order to further promote the mutually beneficial relationship between the two sister cities of Toledo, Ohio, USA and Szeged, Hungary, The University of Toledo College of Pharmacy (UT) and Szeged University Faculty of Pharmacy (SU) agree to promote an exchange program between the universities.

WHEREAS, UT and SU have had a long standing "sister university" relationship; and

WHEREAS, UT and SU both desire to enhance that relationship;

WHEREAS, UT and SU have had lengthy discussions and prior meetings on the specific aspects of enhanced cooperation; and.

WHEREAS, UT desires to recruit students through Szeged University Faculty of Pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, SU and UT desire to promote an exchange program between the universities.

NOW, THEREFORE, the following are agreed upon:

1. UT will develop a faculty exchange program with SU whereby SU faculty will be invited to study as visiting scholars at UT for a period not to exceed 2 academic semesters.

2. UT and SU will send summaries of current research activities to facilitate identification of areas of mutual interest. These documents will be treated as confidential information. This exchange will be repeated in June of each year until research collaboration is an ongoing event.

3. SU will develop a faculty exchange program with UT whereby UT faculty will be invited to teach and/or study as visiting scholars at SU for a period not to exceed 2 semesters. UT will identify faculty who will be interested in visiting SU to discuss and pursue their research activities and to spend short periods of time (normally up to 2 weeks) working with SU faculty on the development of possible collaborative research efforts.
4. UT and SU will accept graduate student applications for the performance of research directed towards a thesis conducted in a specific laboratory. The degree will be awarded by the home institution.

5. UT will accept SU applications from masters in pharmacy degree candidates who wish to pursue the post baccalaureate Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree, on a space available basis.

6. SU and UT will actively seek funding opportunities, such as National Institutes of Health, pharmaceutical manufacturers, Food and Drug Administration and other organizations (e.g. foundations) for which the research skills of each college/faculty are a match.

7. UT will accept applications of master’s degree candidates who wish to obtain fellowship training in infectious diseases.

8. UT and SU offer the possibility of participating in research activities as outlined in the appendix, which will be updated regularly.

9. UT will accept undergraduate student applicants from Szeged, Hungary as identified by SU. Eligible applicants will receive SISTER CITIES SCHOLARSHIPS in the form of undergraduate tuition reduction.

10. Each university will accept applications for clerkships/practicum from the partner institution.

11. SU will accept UT graduate and undergraduate students for study abroad in study areas such as Hungarian culture and language for periods of one (1) month or longer.

12. SU will work as the Sister Cities Scholarship recruitment "office" serving to identify and approve scholarship eligibility for both graduate and undergraduate applicants to UT.

13. The following are the DETAILS of each of the above points of Agreement:

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1. SU and UT will seek annual venues for visits between representatives of the college as to the progress of the agreement. One venue may be the annual meeting of the Federation of International Pharmacists (FIP). Meeting space will be requested of FIP by July 1 if both institutions agree.

2. UT will provide office space with local telephone service (if available) for faculty, computer access, library privileges and assistance to locate housing.

3. For short term visits, the host university will provide support to visiting faculty/scholars in the form of housing and meals and financial stipends. These faculty will present a research seminar to faculty and students, and will be expected to meet with faculty to discuss their research activities and the potential for a US-Hungary collaborative research effort. The host will arrange with their faculty and staff to meet with visiting scholars in support of these efforts, and attempt to connect scholars with industry and government officials, as appropriate. Visiting faculty with long-term teaching and/or research assignments shall receive financial compensation commensurate with duties.
4. The UT College of Pharmacy will consider eligible students for study in all programs at both doctoral and masters' degree levels. Applicants from SU will be evaluated for all available program slots. A score of 550 (written test) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language ("TOEFL") will be required for regular admission; provisional admission will be provided for those students with a score of 520 on the TOEFL. Housing assistance will be available through the International Student Services office. Where available, students identified by SU will be offered graduate assistantships if they demonstrate 2 years or more of teaching experience. UT graduates from SU will be expected to return to Hungary after completion of their graduate training.

5. UT will accept eligible undergraduate students for study in the BS in Pharmaceutical Sciences or post baccalaureate PharmD degree programs with students undergoing the customary competitive process. TOEFL scores of 500 and higher are required for consideration for admission. Students with scores between 460 and 499 will be accepted but, must be enrolled in the UT American Language Institute program to improve their English language usage to a more acceptable level. UT will send a recruitment team to SU on a regular basis to support the recruitment and enrollment process, including a presentation of the program opportunities for SU students at UT, assistance on the completion of forms and documents, and to work with embassy officials in support of students' Visa requirements. UT graduates from SU will be expected to return to Hungary after completion of their undergraduate training, or to remain at UT to enroll within a graduate program.

6. SU will provide support for UT students who wish to study at SU and transfer their SU course credits back to UT as a part of their UT degree program. SU will offer UT students reduced tuition, meals and on-campus housing. SU and UT will work collaboratively to ensure that students participating in this program can use coursework completed at SU for credits towards their UT degree.

7. SU, with the cooperation of the Szeged University Foreign Affairs Office, will (a) identify student applicants; (b) review eligibility and approve applicants for UT application; (c) provide English language training for eligible applicants in preparation for the TOEFL examination; (d) collect applications from eligible students for delivery to the UT recruitment team; and (e) provide the UT recruitment team with housing, meals and office facilities during their scheduled recruitment visits.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT

1. This agreement will be signed in both Hungarian and English.

2. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any financial obligation upon either of the parties with respect to each other or any third party.

3. Participating students and faculty members must abide by the laws of the host country and the rules and regulations of the host institution.

4. Any provision of this Agreement may be amended in writing which is signed by duly authorized representatives of the two parties, after consultation with mutual agreement.
5. This Agreement becomes effective when signed by authorized representatives of both parties. It shall remain in effect for one year and will automatically renew unless terminated by one or both of the parties sixty (60) days before the end of the academic year of the host institution.

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Appendix
Research Activities for
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Research activities at SU include: Isoquinoline and cyclic β-amino acids chemistry, enzyme catalysed transformations, synthesis of 1,3-heterocycles; pharmacology of reproduction and of sexual steroid hormones, clinical pharmacy; pharmacobotany, phytochemistry, utilization of medicinal plants; colloidal drug delivery systems, preformulation and formulation of solid dosage forms; regulatory pharmacy; NMR and atomabsorption spectroscopy, chemometry.

Research activities at UT include: Industrial pharmacy, pharmacy administration, drug design and development, autoimmune disorders, diabetes research, clinical pharmacology, pharmacokinetics and drug metabolism, toxicology, cancer research, neuropharmacology, bioinformatics, and nanotechnology.