**Cooperation Agreement** 

Wayne State University

and

#### Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University

This Agreement is made between Maharaja Ranjit Singh Punjab Technical University, Bathinda, Punjab, India (hereinafter referred to as MRSPTU) and Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, USA, (hereinafter referred to as WSU) on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of MAY 2021. The parties agree as follows:

#### 1. Agreement and variation

- 1.1. MRSPTU and WSU wish to establish a collaborative education program defined as a 3 + 1

  Transfer Student Program (hereinafter referred to as TSP). After successfully completing the first three (3) years of their undergraduate curriculum in an engineering discipline or computer science at MRSPTU, qualified students will be accepted into the appropriate department in the College of Engineering at WSU (subject to all applicable policies of admission procedures and standards of the College). Under TSP, for the next one (1) year, students will finish a required training curriculum to qualify for their bachelor's degree awarded by MRSPTU and a bachelor's degree awarded by WSU.
- **1.2.** The Parties have agreed that the collaborative education program will be conducted in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement.
- 1.3. No agreement or understanding varying or extending this agreement shall be legally binding upon either party unless specified in writing and signed by both Parties. Parties may agree to modify the agreement in writing to the extent that it is inconsistent. This being so, the later agreement is the one which is binding.

#### 2. The Program

- 2.1 The academic program of TSP will be implemented and administered in two phases. During Phase I, MRSPTU will select students as candidates for study at WSU under the TSP, who will study at MRSPTU to complete the first three (3) of a four (4) year Bachelor's Degree program in Engineering or computer science. The qualified students as recommended by MRSPTU and evaluated and accepted by WSU in accordance with WSU's applicable policies of admission procedures and standards will enter Phase II of the Program. In Phase II, they will continue their studies in an appropriate discipline at WSU following the approved curricula. Each successful student will receive a Bachelor's degree from MRSPTU and a Bachelor's degree from WSU.
- **2.2** The collaborative TSP will comprise two phases:

#### Phase I

- 2.2.1 Phase I will consist of three years of study, during which students will complete required courses in a relevant discipline at MRSPTU as well as extra English language classes as necessary to achieve the language proficiency required by WSU for entry.
- 2.2.2 For English language proficiency, students must have at least a TOEFL score of iBT 79 or IELTS score of 6.5. Students with lower scores may receive conditional admission, requiring that they enroll in coursework at WSU's English Language Institute until they reach the necessary level of English. See Appendix II for English course requirements.
- 2.2.3 Students who wish to proceed to Phase II will be assessed by an appropriate

  Undergraduate Admissions Committee in the College to determine their qualification
  for entry to the WSU program. The College will evaluate them in the same manner as
  other international students wishing to enroll at WSU. Students who maintain a GPA
  of 2.75 or higher and/or are in the top quartile of their class during the first three (3)
  years of study at MRSPTU will be considered for admission.
- 2.2.4 Students who pass the assessment process in 2.2.3 and meet all requirements of Phase I will be admitted to study at WSU under the TSP. WSU will provide an official admission letter to assist their application for an F-1 visa to continue their education at WSU.

2.2.5 Once students receive their F-1 visas and all WSU requirements of enrollment are satisfied, students will be permitted to enroll in the College of Engineering at WSU.

#### Phase II

- 2.2.6 WSU will perform an assessment of all the applicants recommended by MRSPTU at the end of Phase I and offer admission to students meeting WSU's undergraduate admission standards, and those set forth by the College. Students who do not meet those standards or are unable to obtain an F-I visa to the USA will continue their studies at MRSPTU.
- 2.2.7 After completion of Phase I and successfully obtaining an F-1 visa, students will transfer to WSU as undergraduate students under this Agreement to start Phase II.
- 2.2.8 Students in Phase II will be afforded all of the usual privileges of full time international students studying at WSU in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.
- 2.2.9 Students who successfully complete one year of approved curricula (at least 32 credit hours) at WSU will be reviewed by MRSPTU. If approved, they will be awarded Bachelor's Degree from MRSPTU.
- 2.2.10 Students can transfer up to 90 credit hours from Phase I towards their undergraduate program at WSU. Students who successfully complete one year of approved curricula (at least 32 credit hours) at WSU and satisfy all degree requirement, they will be awarded Bachelor's Degree from WSU.

#### 3. The Tuition and Fees

- 3.1 Student fees for Phase I studies will be established and collected by MRSPTU and WSU shall have no claim against those fees.
- 3.2 Students in Phase II will be responsible for all costs to study at WSU. The cost shall include travel between India and the United States, room and board, insurances and all of the prescribed fees to be collected by WSU. The base fees for Phase II are those published by WSU for International students. These fees may be adjusted at the sole discretion of WSU.
- 3.3 MRSPTU will have no claim against fees collected by WSU. MRSPTU waives all rights to commission on student fees paid to WSU.

#### 4. Term and Termination

- **4.1** This Agreement commences on the date of the last signature by a party to the Agreement. The duration of the agreement is five years.
- **4.2** In the fifth year after commencement of the Agreement, the parties will undertake a joint evaluation and the agreement will continue to be effective for another term of five years.
- 4.3 This agreement may be terminated by a party serving on the other party at least 6 month's prior written notice. If the termination date falls during a phase of the Program, the agreement will be terminated after the completion date of that phase of the Program; any students in program may complete their studies as outlined in the Agreement.

### 5. Controlling Laws

- **5.1** Before resorting to external dispute resolution mechanisms, the Parties shall attempt to settle by negotiation any dispute in relation to this Agreement.
- 5.2 At all times while WSU is to perform under this agreement WSU's obligation shall be subject to and be controlled by the laws of the United States and the state of Michigan. The English version of this Agreement controls the performance by WSU of its obligations under this Agreement.
- **5.3** At all times while MRSPTU is to perform under this agreement MRSPTU's obligation shall be subject to and be controlled by the laws of India.

Signed:

# For Wayne State University

Laurie M. Lauzon Clabo, Ph.D., RN, FAAN

Date
Interim Provost and Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs
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Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.

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4/14/2021

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# APPENDIX I:

# **Estimated Expenses\***

### Academic Year 2020-2021

# **TUITION**

YEAR 4 (Upper Engineering)

Fall Semester (16 Credit Hours)	\$ 18,888
Winter Semester (16 Credit Hours)	\$ 18,888
TOTAL YEAR 4	\$ 37,776

# **OTHER EXPENSES**

Cost of living on campus per year

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Includes:

Room and Board

**Books and Supplies** 

Mandatory Health Insurance

Miscellaneous Expenses

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR ONE YEAR

\$52,999

\$15,223

http://reg.wayne.edu/students/tuition.php

<sup>\*</sup> The figures provided above are estimates, based on the 2020-201 tuition rates. Students will always be charged the currently published tuition for a given year, available here:

#### APPENDIX II:

# **English Language Requirements for Admission**

Applicants must have at least a TOEFL score of 17 (iBT\*) to be eligible for the 3+1 program. WSU will require students with a TOEFL score below 79 to enroll at the English Language Institute (ELI). English course requirements for participating 3+1 students will be as follows:

- 79 or above: Direct admission to their academic program with no additional English coursework required.
- 75-78: Direct admission to their academic program with required enrollment in one ELI course per semester until they reach a score of 79.
- 17-74: Conditional admission through ELI with required full-time ELI enrollment until TOEFL score of 75 is achieved. At that point, students may begin to take academic coursework in addition to one ELI course.

For a summary of these requirements (including estimated time in ELI), please refer to the chart below:

TOEFL Score Range (listed in iBT)	Regular Admission	Admission with ELI	Conditional Admission
79 or above	Direct admission to academic program; no additional English coursework required.		
75-78		One ELI course in addition to academic coursework	
61-74			One full-time semester of ELI
17-60			Two or more full- time semesters of ELI

<sup>\*</sup>All scores are listed in iBT format, but WSU accepts equivalent TOEFL scores in the PBT or CBT formats as well.