



**AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF BATH OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND FOREIGN POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DON CARLOS ANTONIO LÓPEZ (FSCAL) OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF PARAGUAY.**

The University of Bath (hereafter "UB") of the United Kingdom, represented by Professor Dame Glynis Breakwell DBE DL FAcSS, President and Vice-Chancellor, with registered offices in Claverton Down in Bath, and the Scholarship program Don Carlos Antonio López (hereafter "FSCAL") of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Paraguay, represented by Mrs. Lea Gimenez, Minister, and Mr. Nelson Federico Mora Peralta, General Coordinator, both with registered offices at 252 Chile Street in Asuncion, have mutual interest in strengthening bilateral co-operation in the field of education.

An important means of fostering such co-operation and links is the provision of scholarship opportunities to talented young Paraguayan students wishing to pursue graduate and postgraduate programs at UB. The purpose of this agreement is to provide details of financing for students in the scope of the Foreign Scholarship program «*Don Carlos Antonio López*» (FSCAL) attending UB, as follows:

1. Paraguayan students may seek admission to UB, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard admission requirements established by UB from time to time, including all English language requirements. UB retains sole decision-making authority over which applicants are admitted into its programs.
2. Paraguayan students admitted each year for full-time study at UB who are selected by the FSCAL program and notified to UB will have their tuition fees paid to UB by the Government of the Republic of Paraguay and UB will apply a tuition fee reduction as detailed below. FSCAL Program's selection process shall be compliant with the nondiscrimination provisions of Paragraphs 11 and 12 herein.
3. FSCAL program will notify UB of all required information regarding the proposed student(s) to enable UB to implement the fee reduction. Likewise, UB will inform the FSCAL program regarding the fee amounts and other appropriate information regarding the student's performance and status in the program.
4. UB will provide a fee reduction to the Republic of Paraguay of:
  - 25% of the tuition fee per year to FSCAL program PhD Paraguayan students for a period of four years per student, subject to satisfactory progress toward the degree.
  - 15% of the tuition fee per year to FSCAL program Masters students for a maximum period of two years per student, subject to satisfactory progress toward the degree.

The Republic of Paraguay through FSCAL of the Ministry of Finance will pay UB the remainder of the tuition fees for the student, a Training Support Fee as required for PhD students, and up to 10-weeks of a pre-sessional English and study skills course, if this option is chosen by the student. Additionally, FSCAL of the Ministry of Finance will pay



the participating student a stipend for living expenses, according to its established norms. General tuition information for UB programs is posted on-line at: <http://www.bath.ac.uk/collections/postgraduate-study-and-research/>.

5. Each institution will designate a named coordinator to implement and monitor the program. In particular, named coordinators will be responsible for ensuring that:
  - a. UB and the FSCAL program provide relevant students with information and guidance on their program of interest, and on applying to UB;
  - b. UB provides the FSCAL program with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses in order to encourage interest in its programs.
6. UB confirms that additional students from FSCAL program will be eligible for other scholarships falling outside of this agreement administered by UB, as are any other similarly-situated UB applicants, subject to routine eligibility requirements.
7. Both institutions will cooperate regarding publicizing the scholarship to prospective graduate students applying to the FSCAL program.
8. The named coordinators are:

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 Postgraduate Scholarships "Don Carlos  
 Antonio López" of the Republic of Paraguay  
 Mario Aníbal Romero Lévera, International  
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9. This agreement shall remain in force for five years from the date of signature by the undersigned representatives of each party and may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party. Either party may terminate the agreement on thirty days written notice to the other party. However, in the event of an early termination, the FSCAL program and UB will continue to extend the benefits envisioned by this agreement to the student already enrolled in UB and who has been awarded a scholarship under this agreement, subject to all standard eligibility requirements of each institution.
10. Whatever difference may arise regarding the interpretation, application or execution of the present agreement, as well as any other document which may be derived from said agreement, shall be communicated in writing to the other party and shall be resolved through direct amicable negotiation, to which effect the parties shall commit their utmost efforts.
11. Each of the parties is dedicated to the principles of non-discrimination and academic freedom.
12. The selection process and criteria for participating students envisioned by this agreement will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, gender, pregnancy, religion, creed, marital status, partnership status, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, military status, or any other legally protected status, and not contravening the positive legislation and the Constitution of the Republic of Paraguay.



13. Attending students will be subject to all applicable policies and practices of UB. Students who enroll in any UB program must complete all academic work and examinations required by the instructors of their courses and will be evaluated and graded according to the normal practices of England. The grades they have earned will be recorded in the Student Information System.
14. UB reserves the right to require the termination of any student at any time if it decides that the student's academic work or personal behavior warrant that action.
15. All activities of UB related to this agreement will be governed by applicable UB policies and practices.
16. Students shall be responsible for covering the cost of accommodation, all travel expenses, insurance, Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), books, equipment, and other incidental expenses.
17. Each attending student is responsible for obtaining any necessary visa and other governmental permissions as may be necessary to enable travel to and study at UB. UB will provide the appropriate confirmation of acceptance for studies to students with the correct admission status to help facilitate the Tier 4 student visa application.

The University of Bath

The Government of the Republic of Paraguay

<b>DAME GLYNIS BREAKWELL</b> PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR	<b>LEA GIMÉNEZ</b> MINISTER OF FINANCE AND PRESIDENT STRATEGIC COORDINATING Committee
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**NELSON FEDERICO MORA PERALTA**  
General Coordinator

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