Memorandum of Understanding

Between

Thessaloniki International Media Summer Academy





And

Rama Devi Women's University



Preamble

Purpose

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a cooperative framework for the exchange of students, collaboration on media education through summer academy programs, and joint research initiatives that are of mutual interest and benefit to both parties.

Objectives

Student Exchange Program: To facilitate the exchange of students between THISAM and RDWU, enhancing their educational and cultural experiences.

Collaborative Summer Academy Programs: To offer joint summer academy programs in Thessaloniki, focusing on media studies, journalism, and related disciplines.

Joint Research Projects: To collaborate on research projects in the fields of media, journalism, and communication.

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Scope of Collaboration

Student Exchange Program

Eligibility: Students from both THISAM and RDWU who meet the agreed academic and language proficiency criteria.

Duration: Exchange programs will typically last for one semester or summer term, with options for extension upon mutual agreement.

Credits: Credits earned during the exchange will be recognized by both institutions, subject to pre-approval of courses.

Support Services: Both institutions will provide necessary support services to exchange students, including orientation, academic advising, and cultural integration programs.

Collaborative Summer Academy Programs

Location: The summer academy programs will be held in Thessaloniki, utilizing facilities provided by THISAM.

Programs Offered: A range of programs will be developed, focusing on media studies, journalism, digital media, and communication.

Faculty: Both institutions will contribute faculty members to teach and mentor students during the summer academy sessions.

Logistics: THISAM will oversee the logistical arrangements for the summer academy, including accommodation, transportation, and extracurricular activities.

Joint Research Projects

Research Areas: Priority will be given to research areas such as media studies, journalism ethics, digital communication, and women's studies.

Funding: Both institutions will seek external funding opportunities to support joint research projects.

Publication: Research findings will be jointly published in academic journals and presented at conferences, with appropriate credit given to all contributing researchers.

Intellectual Property: Intellectual property rights resulting from joint research will be shared as per mutually agreed terms.

Implementation

Steering Committee: A steering committee will be established, comprising representatives from both THISAM and RDWU, to oversee the implementation of this MOU and address any issues that may arise.

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Review and Evaluation: The progress of collaborative activities will be reviewed annually by the steering committee, with adjustments made as necessary to ensure the objectives are met.

Duration and Termination: This MOU will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years from the date of signing. It may be renewed, amended, or terminated by mutual written consent of both parties.

Signatories

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Additional Provisions

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Any additional provisions or amendments to this MOU shall be documented in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both THISAM and RDWU.