

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

**Huazhong Agricultural University
College of Resources and Environment**

and

**Auburn University
Department of Crop, Soil, and Environmental Sciences**

The purpose of this document is to outline departmental-specific procedures and considerations governing the admission and advancement of students from Huazhong Agricultural University in the 3+2 program with Auburn University. It is intended to assure mutual understanding about the detailed conduct of the program between the two departments and to provide clear guidelines for the students who participate.

I. 3+2 Program in the Department of Crop, Soil, and Environmental Sciences

A 3+2 program between Auburn University (AU) and Huazhong Agricultural University (HZAU) provides for direct admission of selected third-year Huazhong Agricultural University students with completion of four years of HZAU coursework into the M.S. degree program in the Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences (CSES) at AU. A student may pursue a MS in Soil, Crop or Environmental Science. After completing their first year of study at Auburn University, HZAU will award students the bachelor's degree and students will complete coursework required by the appropriate HZAU department. Thesis research will be completed at AU in the second year and students will receive the M.S. degree from the Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences, AU.

II. Application Materials for the AU Graduate School:

HZAU students apply to the AU Graduate School seeking graduate admission while noting their status as HZAU 3+2 students. <http://www.grad.auburn.edu/ps/requirements.html>

III. Test Scores:

The AU Graduate School requires the TOEFL or IELTS test for admission.

The AU Graduate School does not require the GRE test, but the Department does require the GRE. A general exception to this requirement has tentatively been granted for HZAU 3+2 students.

IV. Application Materials for the Department:

Three letters of recommendation, resume, and a letter of intent are required to be sent to the Department directly. The letter of intent is a personal statement of interest and should contain appropriate information about a student's academic or research experience, career goals, and how acquisition of the specific M.S. degree will serve to advance their professional goals. If students have contacted potential supervisors, please indicate this in the letter. E-mail documents are accepted, but the documents should all be combined into one PDF file, and not sent as separate documents. These materials should be sent to:

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or

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Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences
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USA

V. Courses Required for the 3+2 Students for the HZAU B.S. Degree:

HZAU students will be considered as having satisfied all courses required for the HZAU B.S. degree unless the AU department and the student is otherwise informed.

VI. Senior Thesis Required for the HZAU B.S. Degree:

The Senior Thesis is a requirement of HZAU, and not AU. However, students in the Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences may choose to complete their Senior thesis while at Auburn. This must be agreed upon with the major advisor, and the thesis topic must be approved by the major advisor. The Senior Thesis will be written in English, and may count as a part of the M.S. Thesis, if approved by the major advisor. If the Senior Thesis is completed before the student arrives at AU, the preparation and approval of the thesis lies solely with advisors at HZAU, and it does not count towards any academic progress at AU.

VII. Courses Required for the 3+2 Program Students for a M.S. Degree:

Specific course requirements will be determined by the student's graduate thesis committee. Required pre-requisite courses include a strong background in chemistry, math, biology and other basic sciences. Introductory crop and soil science courses are also required. Your transcripts will be used to determine if course deficiencies exist. In all, 30 hours of coursework are required for the M.S. degree. Of those hours, 6 hours may be Research & Thesis and 2 are Seminars. The remaining 22 hours are coursework selected by the student and the graduate thesis committee)

VIII. M.S. thesis research:

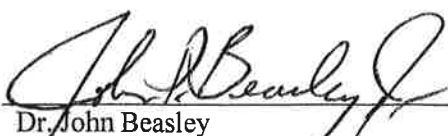
The 3+2 program students are required to conduct M.S. thesis research under the direction of a faculty member: <http://www.ag.auburn.edu/agrn/>. We encourage students to contact professors whose program they are interested in before coming to Auburn.

IX. Conclusion

This agreement is subsidiary to and governed by the 3+2 Broad Agreement between the two institutions wherein procedures for modification and notification are detailed.

X. Signatures

For AUBURN UNIVERSITY
Department of Crop, Soil, and Environmental
Sciences



Dr. John Beasley
Professor & Department Head

Date: 20 MARCH 15

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For HUAZHONG AGRICULTURAL
UNIVERSITY
College of Resources and Environment



Dr. Qiaoyun Huang
Professor & Dean

Date: 2015
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“INTERNATIONAL ACCELERATED DUAL DEGREE AGREEMENT”

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE

Agreement between: Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, USA

Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences

And

Huazhong Agricultural University,

College of Resources and Environment

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT

(Person responsible for the general operation of this agreement)

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(Add sheets if additional contacts names need to be listed for this agreement)

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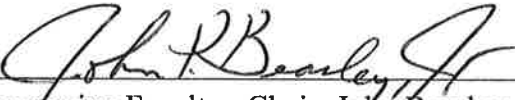
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The following have reviewed this International Dual Degree Agreement, approve its content, and recommend for Auburn University signature.

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Sponsoring Faculty: Chair: John Beasley
Department of Crop, soil and Environmental Sciences


Date
24 APRIL 2015

x John P. Beasley, Jr.
Chair/ Head (print name): SAME
Department: SAME

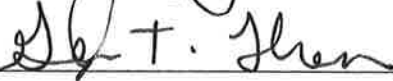
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x 
Dean William Batchelor, College of Agriculture

25 April 2015


Andrew Gillespie, Assistant Provost for International Programs

5/4/15


George Flowers, Dean of the Graduate School


5/7/15

(by signature, this agreement has been approved by the Graduate Council –
Meeting minutes attached)



5-13-15

Drew Clark, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment



5-22-15

Timothy Boosinger, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs



5-25-15

Jay Gogue, President