

STUDENT EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

between

AUBURN UNIVERSITY ("Auburn")

and

**ECOLE SUPERIEURE D'AGRICULTURE D'ANGERS ("GROUPE
ESA)**

BACKGROUND

Auburn and the GROUPE ESA desire to enrich their respective teaching and research programs and to strengthen and expand the mutual contacts between both Universities. In order to achieve these goals the parties wish to implement the exchange of students between both Universities. This Agreement establishes the terms and conditions for the exchange of students within the following academic fields or disciplines:

For Auburn with the College of Agriculture.

For the GROUPE ESA with all its departments (Food Science, Agronomy and Agro-ecology, Environmental science, Agribusiness, Applied economics, Animal Science)

THE AGREEMENT

7. **Definitions.** The terms "Host University" and "Home University" have the following meanings:
 7. Host University – the university accepting the exchanged students;
 - b. Home University – the university providing the exchanged students.
2. **Period of Agreement.** This Agreement becomes effective on the date of the last signature and will continue in effect for five (5) years. Official review of the Agreement will take place five years after the date executed to allow extension.
3. **Initiation of Exchange.** The respective departments, colleges, schools or disciplines of the parties will initiate each exchange. Auburn students will travel first on the exchange, or simultaneous with the Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture d'Angers institution's students.
4. **Period of Exchange.** Each exchange is for 1 academic year or 1 academic semester. Different models may be utilized, but these must be agreed upon by the international offices of each institution. Exchange is based on credit hours and their normal bundling within recognized academic terms.
5. **Implementation of Exchange.**
 - a. Exchange Ratio: The parties will exchange students on a one-to-one equal exchange basis (one year exchange being equal to two semesters). The parties will agree on the number of equal exchanges by March 1 for academic year and fall semester students (applications due in Auburn on March 15; in Winterthur on April 15) and October 1 (applications due in Auburn on October 15 and in Winterthur on September 15) for spring semester students. If an unequal exchange ratio occurs in any year, a balance will be achieved over the following two-year period.

b. Responsibilities of the Home University are as follows:

- (1) to maintain its own students registered at the Home University during the program;
- (2) to recruit, select, and administer pre-program orientation of student participants;
- (3) to forward the applications of selected participants to the Host University for final approval;
- (4) to provide the Host University details of essential courses within its students' curricular plan;
- (5) to advise the Host University of any circumstances that may affect the student's year abroad (e.g. known medical problems); and
- (6) to advise its students about academic and cultural expectations at the Host University.
- (7) to transcript courses and grades from the Host University as equivalent Home University coursework and grades.

c. Responsibilities of the Host University are as follows:

- (1) to accept students recommended by the Home University;
- (2) to provide orientation for the incoming students;
- (3) to endeavor to ensure that students are admitted to courses regarded as essential;
- (4) to provide academic and other advisory services for incoming students;
- (5) to assist the incoming student participants in securing housing;
- (6) to inform the incoming student of health insurance requirements and availability; and
- (7) to provide the Home University a final transcript or official university document describing the student's academic performance;
- (8) to inform the Home University immediately as to any change in the enrollment status of the student(s).

d. Responsibilities of the student are as follows:

- (1) After 1 semester or 1 academic year of study, to return to the Home University unless both universities approve an extended stay;
- (2) to pay the tuition and fees of his/her Home University to his/her Home University prior to participating in the program;
- (3) to pay room and board costs at the Host University;
- (4) to secure necessary health insurance and to pay medical costs;
- (5) to pay for books, living expenses and any other costs; and
- (6) to pay the cost of transportation to and from the Host University.

e. Students are subject to the academic rules and discipline of the Host University.

6. **Monitoring and Assessing Academic Quality**

The appropriate faculties of the Home and Host universities will collaborate annually to designate equivalent and approved coursework for students within the exchange. Equivalency of learning outcomes, teaching methods, textbooks, and faculty credentials must be determined by the respective academic units through correspondence, videoconferencing, or on-site visits as assisted by the International Offices on each campus.

When evaluating, accepting, and transcribing credits awarded through this exchange agreement, the Home and Host universities must examine courses accepted in transfer from the Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture d'Angers institution to ensure that course work and learning outcomes are at the collegiate level and are comparable to those of the home university's own degree programs. For Auburn University, this is the SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation. Faculty from the Home and Host institutions should take an active role in working together to design and teach courses. Each must ensure that the process for course approval meets all accreditation requirements, including approval of instructor credentials, and regular course outcome and teaching assessments. This assessment and monitoring should be done by the respective faculties and is best done jointly to ensure the success of the exchange.

The appropriate Auburn University department(s) signing this agreement will periodically review the agreement to insure that it is compliance with the mission of Auburn University.

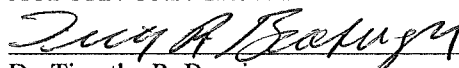
7. **Designated Administrative Officials.** The administrative officials authorized to endorse exchanges in accordance with the provisions of Article 5 are,

For Auburn: Andrew Gillespie, Ph.D., Assistant Provost for International Programs

For the GROUPE ESA: Stéphane BROCHIER, Director of International Relations

8. **Termination.** Either party may terminate this Agreement providing the other gives written notice of its intent to terminate. The terminating party will give notice at least 1 semester prior to the effective date of the termination. Termination will not affect exchanges in effect prior to the effective date of the termination.
9. **Non-discrimination.** Both institutions subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity and will not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, disability, or status as a veteran.
10. **Modification.** The parties may change or modify the terms of this Agreement only by written amendment signed by the parties.

AUBURN UNIVERSITY



Dr. Timothy R. Boosinger
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

8-15-14

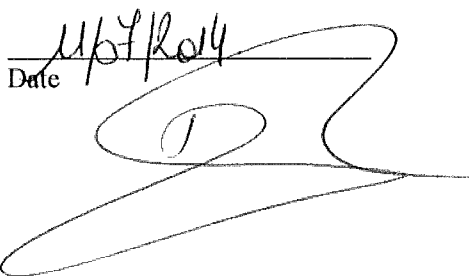
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(Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture d'Angers)

Denis Reymond, President of Groupe ESA, Angers

10/1/14

Date



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**ADMINISTRATIVE AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION
FOR THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AND
(Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture d'Angers)**

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT
(Person responsible for the general operation of this agreement)

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(First person to be contacted in the event of an emergency related to this agreement)

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OFFICE OF
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

August 6, 2014

*Deborah Weiss
for APG*

FROM: Deborah Weiss, Director, Auburn Abroad and Exchange Programs for
Andrew Gillespie, Assistant Provost for International Programs

Between: Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, USA
[College initiating request: Agriculture]

And: **Ecole Superieure d' Agriculture d' Angers, Angers, France**

For a(an): 1:1 Student Exchange Agreement

Attached please find three originals of the "1:1 Student Exchange Agreement" between Auburn University and the **Ecole Superieure d' Agriculture d' Angers, Angers, France** which is recommended for signature by the Office of International Programs.

Please sign all originals so that we may complete the agreement process. Also, please have someone notify Deborah Weiss (4-5007) or Abbie Naglosky (4-3667) when the necessary signatures are complete and we will be more than happy to pick them up. Thank you for your assistance with this request.

The Office of International Programs will retain a .pdf copy of the original and will return all originals to the Auburn University College ("college") initiating the request. The college will send originals to their partner for final signature with a request that one of the fully signed agreements be returned to the college. The college will then send an electronic version of the fully signed agreement to the Office of International Programs for the official AU Record of agreements.


Should you have any questions regarding this agreement, please feel free to contact Dr. Gillespie (4-5009) or Ms. Deborah Weiss (4-5007) in the Office of International Programs.

Review and Approval Form
for an
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Between: Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, USA

And: Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture d'Angers

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



Faculty name, Joseph J. Molnar

Date *July*
30 August 2014


Department of Agricultural Economics & Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture



Department Chair, Deacue Fields


7/31/14

Department of Agricultural Economics & Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture




Dean William Batchelor, College of Agriculture

8/1/14




Andrew Gillespie, Assistant Provost for International Programs

8/4/14



Drew Clark, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment

8-11-14



Timothy Boosing, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

8-15-14

NOTE: The Provost is final signature on Student Exchange Agreement.