INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN RUSSIAN STATE UNIVERSITY FOR THE HUMANITIES (RSUH), RUSSIA AND UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA (UNI), UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The University of Northern Iowa and the Russian State University for the Humanities have agreed to the following protocols governing their collaboration on academic and research-related activities.

1. Each institution will designate a director of the exchange program. The director will be responsible for the general operation of the program at his/her institution and supplying the director at the partner institution with up-to-date information about the home institution and the local community to be used to promote the exchange. The director will also provide academic advising of the exchange participants as requested by the exchange participants, as appropriate.

2. Both institutions resolve to make an effort to establish an exchange involving undergraduate and graduate students and faculty from RSUH and undergraduate and graduate students and faculty from UNI in various academic fields. The focus of exchange will be on academic study for students and teaching and research for faculty. It is also agreed that the two institutions will exchange a maximum of 1 (one) student per semester. In addition the institutions will exchange a maximum of 1 (one) faculty per semester. The number of students and faculty sent each year will be based upon written communication and agreement between the two institutions to determine the number allowable, and based on program need(s), budgets, and available resources.

3. With regards to students designated as "exchange students", RSUH will arrange housing, cover housing costs, and provide reduced fare transport cards for UNI students at RSUH. UNI will arrange housing and cover housing costs for RSUH students at UNI. UNI and RSUH students will be responsible for the cost of their meals. With regards to faculty designated as "exchange faculty", RSUH will arrange housing and cover housing costs for UNI faculty at RSUH. UNI will arrange housing and cover housing costs for RSUH faculty at UNI. UNI and RSUH faculty will be responsible for the cost of their meals.

4. UNI will provide scholarships to cover the cost of tuition – including the mandatory computer, health, and matriculation fees – for exchange students from RSUH. UNI exchange students at RSUH will pay to UNI the UNI tuition and the mandatory study abroad fee at UNI. RSUH will either wave tuition or will provide scholarships to cover the cost of tuition and fees for UNI exchange students. All exchange students and faculty will have access without charge to libraries and other facilities normally provided without a fee/charge for students and faculty. Students and faculty from RSUH needing or wishing to improve their English skills by participating in the UNI Culture and Intensive English Program (CIEP) will be responsible for CIEP tuition and fees costs. Students and faculty from UNI needing or wishing to improve their Russian skills by participating in the RSUH Russian courses may take up to 4 (four) academic hours per week free of charge and will be responsible for the cost of additional academic hours.

5. Students and faculty from UNI and RSUH must provide proof of sufficient medical insurance, as mandated by individual receiving institutions. Travel between the two institutions, both domestic and international, is the responsibility of either the home institution or the students and faculty themselves.

6. The two institutions will provide an agreed upon program of academic instruction for the exchange students and will designate academic advisors to assist them, if necessary. After completion of the period of academic study, the receiving institution will send the academic transcript of all work completed by each exchange student to the appropriate office of the sending institution.

   At UNI the transcripts should be sent to the Office of Admissions:
   002 Gilchrist Hall
   University of Northern Iowa
   Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0018
   U.S.A.
   Phone: (319) 273-2281
   Fax: (319) 273-2885
   E-Mail: admissions@uni.edu

   At RSUH the transcripts should be sent to the International Cooperation Department:
   Russian State University for the Humanities
   Room 302
   125993 Moscow Russia
   Tel: +7 (495) 250-65-31
   Fax: +7 (499) 9734860
   E-Mail: inter@rggu.ru

7. The maximum period of enrollment for exchange students and faculty at both institutions shall be 1 (one) academic year. The two institutions each will select their students and faculty to participate in the exchange. Each institution will determine its respective application materials. Each institution will also determine the deadlines for the receipt of applications. The receiving institution will provide each student and faculty with a formal letter of admission or acceptance and other appropriate documents as may be required for establishing student and faculty status for visas and other purposes. Students must satisfy the academic requirements established by the receiving institution, including minimal proficiency level in English for students from RSUH, and minimal proficiency in Russian for students from UNI intending to take classes in Russian while at RSUH. The host institution has the right to reject or remove any student it determines does not meet its academic or admissions standards.

8. Exchange students and faculty from both institutions will be subject to the same academic and conduct rules and regulations as local (host or receiving institution) students and faculty. Students and faculty will be expected to abide by the laws and to respect the customs of the host country.

9. Faculty involved in the exchange, both to conduct research and to teach, must be nominated by the sending institution and approved by the receiving institution. In each case, faculty must submit a curriculum vita, as well as a three to five page research/teaching proposal to the program director of academic exchange at the partner institution. The receiving institution will review the proposals and will designate a division and local colleague(s) to work with the visiting faculty. The receiving institution will provide faculty with administrative as well as academic support such as computer and internet access, workspace, and documents' assistance through the Office of International Programs. The host institution has the right to reject any faculty

research/teaching proposal it determines does not meet the requirements or goals of its academic programs and activities.

10. The two institutions agree to examine the possibility for mutually beneficial academic and scholarly collaboration not specifically covered by the terms of this agreement.

11. This agreement shall be in effect from the date of its signing by officials for UNI and RSUH and be valid for the duration of 5 (five) years from that date, and will be automatically renewed on an annual basis thereafter, unless terminated or replaced with a new agreement. Written in English, it is entered in Cedar Falls, Iowa, USA, and Moscow, Russia, and will be governed by all applicable state and federal laws of the United States of America and Russia. This agreement may be terminated by either party by written notice at least 6 (six) months in advance.

This Agreement is written in English and Russian in 4 (four) copies, all of which are authentic. As witness to their consent to this agreement, the appropriate authorities hereunto provide their signatures.

For the University of Northern Iowa

Dr. Kurt Meredith
The Assistant Provost
for International Programs (Interim)

21 January 2010
Date

Dr. Gloria J. Gibson
The Executive Vice President and
Provost

January 26, 2010
Date

Dr. Benjamin Allen
The President

January 29, 2010
Date

For the Russian State University for the Humanities

Ivan Eliseev
Head of the Department
for International Relations

Date 05.02.2010

Prof. Efim Pivovar
Rector

5.02.2010
Date