

**SPECIFIC MOBILITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN *UNIVERSIDAD DEL AZUAY*  
(CUENCA - ECUADOR)  
AND  
*UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DE SÃO CARLOS* (SÃO CARLOS, STATE OF SÃO PAULO -  
BRAZIL)**

*Universidad del Azuay* is an Institution of Higher Education, represented by its Rector, Dr. Francisco Salgado Arteaga, with legal address at Avenida 24 de Mayo N° 7-77 and Hernán Malo, Cuenca, Ecuador; and *Universidade Federal de São Carlos* is an Institution of Higher Education, represented by its Rector, Prof. Dr. Ana Beatriz de Oliveira, with legal address on São Carlos campus, at *Rodovia* Washington Luís km 235, São Carlos, State of São Paulo, Brazil;

**Considerations:**

1. The Universities involved, have signed a Framework Cooperation Agreement dated on May 10, 2023.
2. By virtue of the same document, the parties agreed to implement specific agreements that allow the fulfillment of their objectives.
3. The Universities share a vocation for collaboration and recognize the value of academic, scientific, technological, and cultural mobility.

**First Clause: Objective**

The parties agree to establish a mobility program for students and faculty to promote collaborative research and internationalization, which will be regulated in this document. This agreement will enable both institutions to participate.

**Second Clause: Mobility of professors/researchers**

2.1. The request for mobility shall be initiated by the University of origin of the professor/researcher. It shall send the respective proposal to the host or receiving University. The application must include a description of the research or teaching work that the visiting professor intends to accomplish and attach his/her curriculum vitae. Likewise, the application shall indicate the logistical support that the professors/researchers will need during their stay at the host university, as well as the form and/or source of financial support that will cover the expenses of the visiting professors/researchers. All expenses derived from the mobility will be paid by the professors/researchers themselves, except when other funding is determined.

2.2. The receiving University has full autonomy to accept or reject the application. The acceptance or rejection of the application will be communicated in writing to the applicant. In no case the stay may exceed one academic year.

2.3. The visiting professor/researcher shall have access to the services intended for professors/researchers under the same conditions as those of the host institution.

2.4. The visiting professor/researcher shall have access to teaching training and postgraduate training programs at the host university.

2.5. The teachers/researchers participating in the mobility program within the framework of this exchange must have health insurance that includes the coverage of the repatriation of remains and civil liability for the duration of their stay at the host university.

**Third Clause: Student mobility**

3.1. The mobility system will be subject to the principle of reciprocity. Each Institution commits to receive a maximum of 04 students in each academic semester, ensuring balance.

3.2. The selection of students will be made in accordance with the rules and regulations of the sending institution. Students may apply to all academic programs offered by the host institution, nevertheless the host institution reserves the right of final approval on the admission of a student. The receiving institution will establish language proficiency standards, if appropriate.

3.3. Students may enroll for courses in one or more of the Faculties, Schools or Departments of the host university with their due acceptance. For this it is recommended that the courses requested are in accordance with the level of the courses followed by the students in their university of origin.

3.4. The student must request the host university to send the original transcripts to the home university. The home institution must recognize the grades obtained by the student at the host institution in accordance with its regulations.

3.5. The duration of the stay shall not exceed one semester.

3.6. Students accepted at the host university will have all the rights and privileges of regular students and will be subject to the regulations and policies of this institution.

**Fourth Clause: Financial responsibility**

4.1. The participating universities agree that the exchange students will be exempt from the payment of fees and tuition at the host university, having to pay them only at the university of origin, where required.

4.2. The students of both universities participating in this mobility system must have health, repatriation and civil liability insurance for the duration of their stay at the host university.

4.3. The costs of transportation, lodging and travel and/or health insurance shall be the responsibility of each student. In any case, the host university will provide guidance and/or information on housing or accommodation systems.

**Fifth Clause: Terms of the agreement**

5.1. This agreement will take effect upon signatures of both parties and shall be valid for a term of four (4) years. It may be renewed successively for equal periods by the mutual consent between UDA and UFSCar in writing. This agreement may be terminated by either party after giving a six month's notice along with return receipt. In the event of termination, all commitments in progress will be completed as planned unless there is a common agreement to discontinue the ongoing activities.

5.2. Any controversy that may arise between the parties regarding the execution or application of this agreement shall be resolved by direct agreement between them.

As witnesses of consent of this agreement, the appropriate authorities hereunto provide their signature.

Francisco Salgado Arteaga  
Rector  
*Universidad del Azuay*

Date: May 10, 2023

Ana Beatriz de Oliveira  
Rector  
*Universidade Federal de São Carlos*

Date: March 30, 2023