



EMBEDDED GRADUATE PROGRAMS AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
USC ALFRED E. MANN SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND PHARMACEUTICAL
SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,
U.S.A.
and
CMU COLLEGE OF PHARMACY,
CHINA MEDICAL UNIVERSITY,
TAIWAN, R.O.C.

The University of Southern California, on behalf of its USC D.K. Kim International Center for Regulatory Science at the USC Alfred E. Mann School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (hereinafter referred to as “USC RegSci”) and the CMU College of Pharmacy (hereinafter referred to as “CMU COP”), China Medical University enter into this agreement dated as of January 1, 2024.

I. Purpose

The two institutions wish to offer Embedded Graduate Programs (the “Programs” or each a “Program”). The Programs provide for a small number of eligible CMU COP students with the opportunity to obtain either:

- a. **MS + MS Track** — Two (2) Master of Science degrees within a 3-year period: a Master of Science from CMU COP and a Master of Science from USC. (The possibility of extending the study period for individual students needs to be discussed and confirmed by both programs for special conditions.)

II. Program Description

- a. **MS + MS Track** — Two (2) Master of Science degrees within a 3-year period:

Current Master of Science students from CMU COP will be selected to pursue a Master of Science degree in any major offered by USC RegSci. Current students from USC RegSci will be selected to pursue a research exchange or internship in CMU COP.

This Program will require approximately one (1) year of attendance at CMU COP. During year 1 at CMU COP, students will apply for regular admission to a Master of Science program at USC RegSci. Successful CMU COP applicants will be enrolled as USC students and complete online coursework required for the USC RegSci Master of Science during their year 2 at CMU COP (year 1 at USC RegSci). This will be followed by a minimum of eight (8) months of attendance at USC RegSci, on campus in Los Angeles, subject to current USC RegSci's academic and graduation requirements and individual student coursework.

Upon successful completion of CMU COP's academic and graduation requirements, students will receive a Master of Science degree from China Medical University.



Upon successful completion of USC RegSci's academic and graduation requirements, students will receive a Master of Science degree from University of Southern California.

III. Curriculum and Credits

It is agreed and understood that each Institution has the right and responsibility to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes, if any, will be communicated to the other Institution in a timely manner through the office of each Institution responsible for implementing these Programs.

USC RegSci will not transfer credits for courses taken at CMU COP to satisfy academic requirements of the Master of Science degree at USC.

Upon admission to USC RegSci, students will be counseled on the specific requirements necessary to satisfy the academic and graduation requirements for that student's selected major and in light of the student's specific academic history.

IV. Admission to USC RegSci to complete the Program

CMU COP will give due consideration to the admissions criteria of USC RegSci and recommend three (3) to five (5) prospective students for each of the Programs based on their academic excellence, proficiency in English, and serious purpose of studying at USC RegSci. Admissions criteria will be available to CMU COP through the USC RegSci website: <https://regulatorv.usc.edu/admissions/>. Candidates must meet or exceed USC RegSci minimum admission requirements.

CMU COP will provide a list of recommended students for admission to USC RegSci and their most recent transcripts and other qualifications at least six (6) months before the beginning of their intended academic programs at USC RegSci.

Prospective CMU COP students will apply for USC RegSci admission as international students. No preferential admissions treatment will be given to CMU COP students applying for admission to a Master's degree program at USC RegSci. USC RegSci reserves the right and absolute discretion on the final admission decision for each prospective student. In case of rejection, however, USC RegSci shall confer with CMU COP regarding decisions.

V. Program Oversight

Responsibility for the administration of this Program at CMU rests jointly with the School of Pharmacy/ Master Program of Pharmaceutical Manufacture at the College of Pharmacy and the Department of Cosmeceutics at the College of Pharmacy. Responsibility for the administration of this Program at USC rests with the USC D.K. Kim International Center for Regulatory Science.

An appropriate faculty or staff member at each Institution shall be assigned to serve as its coordinator responsible to advise students regarding their academic preparation for admissions to USC RegSci and for their study plan at USC RegSci.



The coordinators will also be responsible for the administration and the on-going evaluation of the Program through visits, questionnaires, and annual reviews. The coordinators will liaise with the appropriate academic program departments and international offices for each Institution, and will be responsible for reporting changes in the curriculum assessment or any issues for further consideration to the appropriate Institution.

VI. Financial Arrangements

During their study at USC RegSci, students will be responsible to USC for all USC tuition and fees set at USC RegSci while studying at USC. Also, students will be required to obtain and be responsible for international health insurance, including repatriation, and living and personal expenses. USC's Office of International Services (OIS) will be available to students to provide guidance on these issues. Students will be responsible for consular procedures and fees to obtain U.S. student visas and travel arrangements, in addition to local transportation and other incidental expenses consistent with the practices and regulations of USC. USC RegSci shall provide orientation and advice regarding accommodation and immigration. CMU shall exempt students' tuition and fees during student's stay at USC.

No other fees or payments are associated with this Agreement and is not intended to create nor does it create any financial obligations between or among the parties.

VII. Legal Rights and Law

Neither party shall use the names, logos or other marks of the other party without the express written consent of the owning party in each instance. If promotional materials are to be created concerning the Program which is the subject of this Agreement, parties must mutually pre-approve in writing any such material before publication.

This Agreement will, in no way, be interpreted as creating an agency or employment relationship between the Institutions, or as giving rise to a joint venture or partnership between the Institutions.

This Agreement is intended to solely benefit the Institutions, and is not intended to create rights in any third party. Students participating in the Program, pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, will not be considered third party beneficiaries of the Agreement.

All activities conducted under the Agreement must be conducted in accordance with academic and university policies as well as appropriate laws, regulations and accreditation standards existing in each country and institution.

This Agreement shall enter into effect on the date of its signing by representatives of both parties and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years unless terminated earlier by either Institution. Such termination by one Institution shall be effected by giving the other Institution at least ninety (90) days advance written notice of its intention to terminate. If such notice is given, this Agreement shall terminate: (a) at the end of such ninety (90) days; or (b) when all students enrolled in USC RegSci's Master program pursuant to this Agreement at the time such notice is given have completed their study, whichever event occurs last.



Termination shall be without penalty. If this Agreement is terminated, neither USRegSci nor CMU COP shall be liable to the other for any monetary or other losses which may result. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, to the maximum extent permitted by law, in no event will either party be responsible for any incidental, consequential, indirect, special, punitive, or exemplary damages of any kind.

Both institutions subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation or disability.

The performance required by either party under this Agreement shall be excused in the event and to the extent that extraordinary occurrences beyond the reasonable control of the party seeking to be excused renders such performance impossible, impracticable or illegal.

A party invoking this clause shall be presumed to have established the conditions described in the preceding paragraph in the case of the occurrence of one or more of the following: war (whether declared or not), armed conflict or the serious threat of the same (including but not limited to hostile attack, blockade, military embargo), hostilities, invasion, act of a foreign enemy, extensive military mobilization; civil war, riot, rebellion, revolution, military or usurped power, insurrection, civil commotion or disorder, mob violence, act of civil disobedience; act of terrorism, sabotage or piracy; plague, epidemic, pandemic, outbreaks of infectious disease or any other public health crisis, including quarantine or other restrictions; act of authority whether lawful or unlawful, compliance with any law or governmental order, rule, regulation or direction, curfew restriction, expropriation, compulsory acquisition, seizure of works, requisition, nationalization; act of God or natural disaster such as but not limited to violent storm, cyclone, typhoon, hurricane, tornado, blizzard, earthquake, volcanic activity, landslide, tidal wave, tsunami, flood, damage or destruction by lightning, drought; explosion, fire, destruction of machines, equipment, factories and of any kind of installation, prolonged break-down of transport, telecommunication or electric current; general labor disturbance such as but not limited to boycott, strike and lock-out, go-slow, occupation of factories and premises; shortage or inability to obtain critical material or supplies to the extent not subject to the reasonable control of the subject party; and acts of any governmental body and/or agency having jurisdiction over the affected party, which prohibit, restrict, or regulate the affected party's performance of its obligations or rights being provided under this Agreement ("Force Majeure Event").

This provision shall become effective only if the party invoking this clause notifies the other party within a reasonable time of the extent and nature of the Force Majeure Event, limits delay in performance to that required by the Force Majeure Event, and takes all reasonable steps to minimize damages and resume performance.

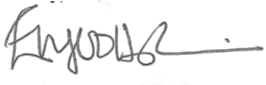
The parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the Effective Date by their duly authorized representatives in duplicate copies, each of which shall be deemed an original.


USC Mann


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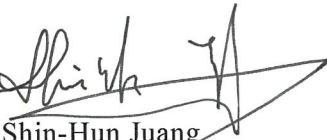
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