Cooperation agreement

Double Degree Program

Between

Tongji University, China
School of Aerospace Engineering and Applied Mechanics
and

Lille 1 University, France
Department of Civil Engineering, Polytech-Lille
and
Department of Mechanics, UFR de Mathematics

Applicable to the corresponding degrees:
- Licence Mention Mécanique; Génie Civil – Lille 1 University
- Bachelor in Mechanics; Aviation – Tongji University

Article 1
Tongji University, China, and Lille 1 University (ULille1), France, created the Double degree agreement aiming at the development of the teaching cooperation in compliance with rules and regulations of both Universities. Students from Tongji University participating in this program will obtain bachelor degrees from both University of ULille1 and Tongji University after successfully accomplishing the co-design program.

Article 2
ULILLE1 agrees to receive Chinese students:
- Who have completed their previous academic courses under appropriate conditions
- Who meet the required selection criteria (see article 5)

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Article 3
The number of students is about five (5) each year, involving the major of mechanics and aerospace, and can be extended to other major in the mutual written consent.

Article 4
Students enrolled in this program should have finished at least 2 years of college education (sophomore), and co-selected by the two Universities.
Each candidate should submit the following documents:
- Applications for exchange student
Tongji University preselects students, and then transfers the application files to ULille1 who reserves the right to refuse any application if the scientific or technical level seems insufficient. Eligible candidates will then be invited for interview at Tongji University, assisted by a representative of ULille1 if possible. An Internet exam could be set up between the two institutions. Following the final decision, a letter of acceptance will be sent to the successful candidate.

The French language level of each student will be assessed at the end of the French language training (beginning at Tongji University, continuing at ULille1). ULille1 reserves the right to reject the students with poor French proficiency or poor performance of professional courses.

Article 5: Schedule
Two mobility schemes are implemented:

1. **Double bachelor 2+1+1**
   **First academic year:**
   In mid-April, Tongji preselects students to submit application files to ULille1
   In late May, ULille1 preselects students according to application files for interview
   In late June, Tongji and ULille1 interview students at Tongji University, and establish the admission list.

   **Second to third academic year:**
   July (Year 1) to June (Year 2), Intensive French training courses at Tongji university (equivalent to 750 hours of French courses)
   April (Year2), Tongji sends transcripts of first and second year
   June (Year 2) ULille1 sends admission notice to Tongji University for visa application
   July to August (Year2), students arrive in France, and participate to an Intensive French training course at Ulille1.

   **Third academic year:**
   September to June, Chinese students start bachelor courses at ULille1 (fifth and sixth semester of ULille1 bachelor)

   **Fourth academic year:**
   September to June, Chinese students return to Tongji, the students must complete
their bachelor and must comply with their graduation project according to Tongji’s regulations.

2. Double Bachelor 3+1

Second academic year:
In mid-April, Tongji preselects students to submit application files to ULille1
In late May, ULille1 preselects students according to application files for interview
In late June, Tongji and ULille1 interview students at Tongji University, and establish the admission list.

Third to fourth academic year:
July (Year 2) to June (Year 3), Intensive French language training at Tongji university (equivalent to 750 hours of French courses)
April (Year 3), Tongji sends transcripts of first and second year
June (Year 3) ULille1 sends admission notice to Tongji University for visa application
July to August (Year 3), students arrive in France, and participate to an Intensive French training course at Ulille1.

Fourth academic year:
September to June, Chinese students start bachelor courses at ULille1 (fifth and sixth semester of ULille1 bachelor). In order to receive the bachelor degree from Tongji, the students must complete their bachelor in Lille and must comply with their graduation project according to Tongji’s regulations.

Relevant provisions for receiving Chinese students

Article 6:
Tongji University and ULille1 agree to arrange French language training courses between August (year N) and June (year n+1) at Tongji University and from the beginning of July to the end of August (year n+1) at ULille1. If the students pass the French language program examination, ULille1 will award a University Diploma of French Language (B2 French proficiency)

Article 7:
Schools should endeavor to apply for scholarships to relevant functional departments (such as: ministries, embassies, international organizations...) for students.

Article 8:
It is agreed that ULILLE1 will help the students from TONGJI UNIVERSITY to find accommodation, within the limits of local availability.

Article 9:
Chinese students will be registered in ULille1, and pay the same amount of registration fees as the French students. Lodging, meals, pocket money, etc. will be
paid by the students themselves. The cost of French language and culture training at Ulille1 and the budget of each semester will be reviewed annually and sent to Tongji University in June (year n).

**Article 10:**
Students should accept the existing education assessment system of ULille1; take the exam at the end of January and at the beginning of June each year. After successfully completing their studies, the students will obtain the Bachelor (Licence) degree of ULille1.

**Article 11:**
After obtaining the degree of ULille1, students can continue their studies at Tongji University to obtain a second degree with, specific professional counterparts as: Mechanics (Tongji) + Civil Engineering (Lille), Mechanics (Tongji) + Mechanical (Lille), Mechanics (Tongji) + Mechanics (Lille), Aviation (Tongji) + Mechanical (Lille), the specific mode of cooperation as follows:
- **3+1 program:** 3 years of undergraduate study in Tongji University + L3 in France (Double Bachelor Degree)
- **2+1+1 program:** 2 years of undergraduate study in Tongji University + L3 in France + 4th year undergraduate study in Tongji University (Double Bachelor Degree)
- For the 2 schemes previously described, students may follow in master this way: 1 year of Master study in France + 1.5 years of Master study in Tongji University (Double Master Degree)
- Double PhD Degree

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**Relevant provisions for tracking Chinese Students**

**Article 12:**
In order to increase understanding of both sides, when possible, the ULille1 will try to facilitate visiting scholar positions for teachers from Tongji University.

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**Relevant provisions for receiving French students**

**Article 13:**
As far as possible, the Tongji University will host ULille1 students. Students can participate in internships or research projects under both instructors of Tongji University and ULille1 in prior agreement with a teacher from ULille1.

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**Period of validity of the agreement**

This Agreement is drafted in Chinese and English, both versions have the same
authenticity and legal effect. The agreement enters into force from the date signed by authorized representatives of both parties, valid for five years. Both parties may request revision of this agreement; amendments require unanimous approval by both sides. This agreement can be terminated prematurely, if one side sends the written request before six months and the request are agreed by both sides. Other conditions not covered by this agreement shall be negotiated according to the related higher education and science and technology cooperation agreement signed by two governments.

Date

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