



**PROVINCE OF
MANITOBA**



**PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF CHINA**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON THE MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF HIGHER
AND POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION**

Memorandum of
BETWEEN
THE PROVINCE OF MANITOBA, CANADA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OF
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

*Recognition of Higher and
Post-secondary Education*
Hereinafter designated as THE PARTICIPANTS

WHEREAS

the Province of Manitoba, Canada and the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as "the Participants") have been actively undertaking educational and academic cooperation and exchanges since the China-Canada Scholars Exchange Program was established in 1973;

WISHING

to foster the international development of degree-granting institutions of higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and of post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates;

COGNIZANT

of the fact that in Canada the responsibility for and jurisdiction over education rests with provincial and territorial authorities;

DESIROUS

of strengthening ties between government-recognized higher and post-secondary education and research institutions;

DESIROUS

of developing ties between post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates;

DESIROUS

of promoting cooperation in joint research and advanced training and in the academic mobility and exchange of students and faculty,

THE PARTICIPANTS HAVE REACHED THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

1. Objectives

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to:

- i) Facilitate the mutual recognition of diplomas and degrees awarded to students by government-recognized diploma- and degree-granting institutions of higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and by post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas certificates;
- ii) Provide information to government-recognized diploma- and degree-granting institutions of higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and to post-secondary



colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates with the aim of facilitating academic mobility and cooperation; and

iii) Exchange a list of government-recognized diploma- and degree-granting institutions of higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and of government-recognized post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates.

iv) The information referred to in paragraph (iii) will be maintained and updated regularly and will be accessible to the general public including, but not limited to, those educational institutions discussed therein as well as organizations committed to promoting educational cooperation and exchanges.

2. Application of the MOU

a) This MOU relates to all the diploma- and degree-granting post-secondary education and research institutions and to all the diploma- and certificate-granting post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions recognized by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Literacy of the Province of Manitoba, Canada, and all the diploma- and degree-granting higher education institutions, and all the research institutions granting master's degrees and above, and all the post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates recognized by the Government of the People's Republic of China.

b) The Participants respect the autonomy of the higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and of post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions within their jurisdictions, with regard to admission to academic, professional, and technical programs.

c) The Participants encourage academic mobility and exchange of students and faculty.

d) The Participants encourage the transfer of earned student credits between government-recognized diploma- and degree-granting institutions of higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and diploma- and certificate-granting post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions.

3. Degrees and Admission

a) Holders of bachelor's degrees from government-recognized higher and post-secondary education and research institutions may be considered for admission to graduate and/or professional studies leading to master's degrees subject to the specific requirements determined by the admitting institutions.

b) Holders of master's degrees from government-recognized higher and post-secondary education and research institutions may be considered to pursue doctoral studies subject to the specific requirements of the admitting institutions.



- c) Holders of bachelor's degrees from government-recognized degree-granting institutions who have achieved outstanding results and completed excellent research work/dissertations may be considered for admission into further studies leading to doctoral degrees, subject to the specific requirements of the admitting institutions.
- d) Holders of diplomas from government-recognized post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates within the Province of Manitoba may be considered for admission to undergraduate studies subject to specific requirements determined by the admitting institutions in the People's Republic of China.
- e) Holders of Chinese diplomas from government-recognized post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions offering diplomas and certificates within the People's Republic of China may be considered for admission to undergraduate studies subject to specific requirements determined by the admitting institutions in the Province of Manitoba.
- f) Either Participant's government-recognized higher and post-secondary education and research institutions and post-secondary colleges and technical/vocational institutions will retain the right to determine the qualifications, grades and examination results required to enter all courses of study according to their own regulations.

4. Duration and Coming into Effect

- a) The MOU will come into effect upon signature by the Participants.
- b) This MOU may be amended upon the mutual written consent of the Participants.
- c) This MOU may be terminated at any time by either of the Participants upon giving six months' notice in writing.

SIGNED IN DUPLICATE at Winnipeg, Manitoba, on Thursday, March 22, 2007, in the English and Chinese languages, each version being equally valid.

For the Province of Manitoba, Canada

The Honourable Gary Doer
Premier of Manitoba

**For the Ministry of Education
of the People's Republic of China**

His Excellency Shumin Lu
Ambassador of the People's Republic
of China to Canada