



**Collaborative Agreement
between the
University of Leicester, United Kingdom
and
Fundación Guatefuturo**

The University of Leicester and Fundación Guatefuturo both have an interest in strengthening bilateral co-operation in the field of education between Guatemala and United Kingdom, and enhancing the links between the University of Leicester and its academic counterparts in Guatemala. An important means of fostering such co-operation and links is the provision of loan-scholarship opportunities to talented Guatemalan students wishing to pursue graduate degree programs at the University of Leicester. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for Guatemalan students at the University of Leicester within the framework of a joint graduate loan-scholarship program.

The joint graduate loan-scholarship programme will operate as follows:

1. Students in Guatemala interested in the programme will seek their admission, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard admission requirements established by the University of Leicester, including all English language requirements.
2. Students unconditionally accepted by the University of Leicester will submit a loan-scholarship application to Guatefuturo, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard requirements established by Guatefuturo.
3. Students who are offered a place for full-time study at the University of Leicester, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by Guatefuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.
4. The University of Leicester will provide to eligible students an unlimited number of scholarships of 20% of the tuition fees. The University of Leicester will offer this financial support for Master's students for a period of 1 year and for PhD students for 3 years.
5. Guatefuturo will provide the remainder of the tuition fees, as well as a stipend for living expenses, according to its established norms, i.e. up to US\$25,000 per year for a maximum of two years. Students will have to provide from other sources any further amount required to meet the full costs of their programme of study.
6. Each institution will designate a named coordinator to implement and monitor the programme. In particular, named coordinators will be responsible for ensuring:

- a) that the University of Leicester provides Guatefuturo with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses in order to encourage interest in its programmes in Guatemala.
- b) that the University of Leicester provides all Guatemalan students unconditionally accepted by the University of Leicester with information about the loan-scholarship programme and encourages them to contact and submit an application to Guatefuturo.
- c) that Guatefuturo forwards details of the selected students to the University of Leicester.
- d) That the necessary financial arrangements are made for confirmed students.

The named coordinators are:

For the University of Leicester
Caroline Berry
Head of International Market Development

For Guatefuturo
Juan José Ramírez Ochoa
Academic Advisor

- 7. Both institutions will publicise the agreement to prospective Guatemalan graduate students.

This agreement shall remain in force from the date of signature by the undersigned representatives of each party and may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party. Either party may terminate the agreement on thirty days written notice to the other party.



David Hall
Registrar and Chief Operating Officer
University of Leicester



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Executive Manager
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