

Memorandum of Understanding Between

The University of Bristol

and

Fundación GuateFuturo

The University of Bristol and Fundación GuateFuturo both have an interest in strengthening bilateral co-operation in the field of education between Guatemala and the United Kingdom, and enhancing the links between the University of Bristol 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 master's degrees at the University of Bristol. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for Guatemalan graduate students at the University of Bristol, within the framework of a joint graduate loan-scholarship program.

The joint Graduate Loan-Scholarship Program will operate as follows:

1. Students in Guatemala interested in the program will seek their admission to master's programs at the University of Bristol, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard admission requirements established by the University of Bristol, including all English language requirements.
2. Students accepted by the University of Bristol 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 in the University of Bristol, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by GuateFuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.
4. The University of Bristol will provide a scholarship to all eligible GuateFuturo scholars equal to 30% of the full tuition fees otherwise payable. GuateFuturo will provide the remainder of the tuition and fees, as well as a stipend for living expenses, according to its established norms, i.e. up to USD25,000 per year for a maximum of two years, or USD 50,000 total. Students will have to provide from other sources any further amount required to meet the full costs of their programme of study.

This scholarship for GuateFuturo scholars cannot be staked with any other scholarships offered by the University of Bristol. Where beneficiaries of GuateFuturo funding have also been awarded a separate scholarship funded by the University of Bristol the scholarship of higher value will be applied.

The University of Bristol will also offer GuateFuturo beneficiaries pursuing master's studies at the University of Bristol a place in the Think Big Development Programme.

5. GuateFuturo will provide the University of Bristol with a list of all students whose tuition fee invoices are to be sent directly to GuateFuturo. In addition, GuateFuturo will provide each eligible

student with a letter confirming that the student is in receipt of a GuateFuturo loan-scholarship and stating the address to which the University of Bristol should send the invoice.

6. Invoices for a student's tuition fees will be sent directly to GuateFuturo. The student will be responsible for any outstanding payment over and above the amount covered by the GuateFuturo loan-scholarship.
7. GuateFuturo will notify the University of Bristol of any outstanding tuition fee invoices that they receive that are not covered by this loan-scholarship agreement so that alternative arrangements can be made to invoice the student.
8. 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 Bristol provides GuateFuturo with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses in order to encourage interest in its programs in Guatemala.
 - b. That the University of Bristol provides all Guatemalan students unconditionally accepted in the University of Bristol with information about the loan-scholarship program and encourages them to contact and submit an application to GuateFuturo.
 - c. That GuateFuturo forwards details of the selected students to the University of Bristol.
 - d. That the necessary financial arrangements are made for confirmed students.

The named coordinators are:

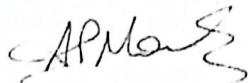
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9. Both institutions will promote the agreement to prospective Guatemalan graduate students.
10. This agreement shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of signature by the undersigned representatives of each party and may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party.
11. The parties shall comply with all legal requirements in their respective territories that relate to the arrangements under this agreement, including but not limited to the protection of personal data that might be shared.
12. Either party may terminate the agreement on thirty (30) days written notice to the other party. However, termination of the agreement shall not affect any scholarships already agreed.



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Date: 02/02/2024



Juan José Ramirez Ochoa
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