

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



The Miami Tribe of Oklahoma

Miami, Oklahoma

and

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio



WHEREAS the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and Miami University are linked by common geographic, educational and cultural interests, and

WHEREAS since the early 1970's these two entities, having formed a strong, trusting relationship, have worked together informally to support each other's educational and developmental needs, and

WHEREAS these two entities wish to enable cooperation and exchange in all educational areas of mutual interest, and to expand the basis for friendship and cooperative educational exchange;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and Miami University set forth the following articles of agreement.

ARTICLE I

The purposes of this general agreement include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The development of collaborative research projects and grant proposals;
2. The organization of joint academic and scientific activities, such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia or lectures;
3. The exchange of research and teaching personnel;
4. The joint activities of students engaged in course work or cultural exchanges;
5. The exchange of publications and other materials of common interest.

Cooperative projects under this general agreement may include any academic disciplines, departmental offices or staff, or activities represented by either of the two entities.

an integral part of this general agreement. Letters of Agreement will include such items as:

1. Elaboration of the responsibilities of each entity for the agreed-upon activity.
2. Schedules for the specific activities.
3. Budgets and sources of financing of each activity.
4. Any other items necessary for the smooth and efficient conduct of the activity.

The contact persons will additionally be responsible for the assessment of activities under this agreement according to the practices of their respective institutions. Letters of Agreement will be approved by each entity according to the normal procedures governing the types of activities proposed therein.

ARTICLE III

Miami University is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools as a degree-granting institution. The Miami Tribe of Oklahoma is recognized by the Government of the United States of America as a dependent sovereign American Indian nation. Neither of these distinctions extends to or includes the other entity.

ARTICLE IV

This Agreement will come into force on the date of its signature by both Parties and shall be valid until terminated by one of the Parties. Should either Party wish to terminate this Agreement, said terminating Party shall submit written notice to the other Party at least three months prior to terminating the Agreement. This Agreement may be amended by mutual written agreement of both Parties.

As witness to their subscription to the above articles, the appropriate authorities of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and the Miami University have hereunto set their signatures:

Miami Tribe

Miami University



Signature

Signature

Thomas Gamble
Chief of Miami Tribe of Oklahoma

David Hodge
President of Miami University

4/20/09

4/06/09

Date

Date