

PROPOSAL FOR COLLABORATION
Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages - Information Technologies
(HUFLIT)

1. Background

Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages - Information Technologies (HUFLIT) was established in 1994. It is now an emerging university. It is the first private university in the south of Vietnam and now is among top 10 private universities in Vietnam.

HUFLIT has 2 campuses located in the center of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam with 8 faculties including International Relations, Foreign Languages, Information Technology, Tourism and Hospitality, International Business Administration, Oriental Languages and Cultures, Law, and Economics – Finance with 12 undergraduate programs and 2 master programs. The university currently has more than 12,000 students and more than 40,000 alumni.

Enhancing the quality level of university has been the main target of HUFLIT. The university believes that collaboration can enhance the quality of research and teaching through an exposure to a new perspective and experience of research and teaching from partners. In doing so, HUFLIT is developing international collaboration with many universities.

2. Objectives

Taiwan is one of the top 20 countries with high-ranking education. Besides, Taiwan also offers many attractive scholarships for international students. The number of Vietnamese students studying in Taiwan is currently largest compared to the number of students from other countries. Taiwan is also an ideal destination for HUFLIT students in terms of study environment, academic and training fields and living conditions.

The goal of this proposal is to provide several aspects for the collaboration between HUFLIT and Universities in Taiwan that focuses especially on training, research and student/lecturer mobility.

3. Proposal collaboration schemes

Considering the advantages and opportunities of HUFLIT and Universities in Taiwan, the following aspects for collaboration can be offered by universities:

1. *Student/ Lecturer exchange/ international courses/ joint programs*: where a number of students/ lecturers of the two sides mutually undertake a visit for each certain period for various academic purposes; organize short courses that combine learning about each other's culture and history for lectures and students; Collaborate in Master's and Doctoral programs for HUFLIT lecturers.

2. *Joint seminar/conference/workshop/ project/publication*: HUFLIT and Universities in Taiwan can arrange collaborative works to organize international seminars/ conferences/ workshops/ projects or publications with participants from other universities worldwide; organize international competitions on Chinese language in HUFLIT
3. *Joint research project/graduate thesis supervision*: the researchers of HUFLIT and Universities in Taiwan can arrange collaborative works undertaking in Taiwan, Vietnam or other countries by funding from government or private sector in both countries. Professors/lecturers from HUFLIT and Universities in Taiwan can jointly supervise the theses of master and doctoral students.
4. *Twining program*: Universities in Taiwan recognize a number of credits for HUFLIT students based on program articulations. This program allows students to complete the first 2 or 3 years at HUFLIT and transfer to Universities in Taiwan to finish the course with bachelor or master degrees in International Relations, Information Technology, Tourism and Hospitality, International Business Administration, Law, Economics – Finance;
5. *Cooperation between HUFLIT and Taiwanese enterprises*: This scheme is aimed at increasing job opportunities for HUFLIT students; sponsoring startup/creativity competitions, extracurricular activities for students; cooperating with bicycle companies (Asama or Giant) to promote sport movements among students and lecturers (especially cycling), scientific research on smart bicycles, environmental protection, climate change projects...

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