

**THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS SCHOOL OF LAW (U.S.A.) & TASHKENT STATE UNIVERSITY OF LAW
ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, The University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas, USA and Tashkent State University of Law in Tashkent, Uzbekistan have entered into an Agreement of Cultural, Educational and Scientific Cooperation (AOC), dated March 29, 2023 (the "AOC"); and

WHEREAS, under the AOC, the University of Kansas, acting through its School of Law ("KU Law School") and Tashkent State University of Law ("TSUL") (hereinafter, collectively, the "Parties") contemplate the creation of a student exchange program to permit certain qualified undergraduate students of TSUL to complete a one academic year long LL.M. degree in American Legal Studies from KU Law during the reception of their undergraduate education; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to create such a program;

THEREFORE, the Parties hereby enter into this Articulation Agreement (the "Agreement") and agree to the following provisions:

I. LL.M. IN AMERICAN LEGAL STUDIES PROGRAM

- A. **Purpose.** The purpose of the Program is to permit qualified undergraduate students from TSUL who have already completed three (3) years of their Bachelor of Law degree to apply and be considered for admission into the LL.M. in American Legal Studies Program of KU Law School as exchange students to continue the final year of their studies. TSUL undergraduate students who satisfy all of the requirements for completion of the LL.M. in American Legal Studies Program from KU Law School and all of the requirements of the Bachelor of Law degree from TSUL will at such time receive the Bachelor of Law degree from TSUL and then the LL.M. in American Legal Studies from KU Law School.
- B. **Eligibility.** All applicants to the Program must satisfy the following requirements as of the date of the commencement of their studies in the KU Law School program:
1. Completion of three-fourths of the work needed to earn a Bachelor of Law degree (three (3) years of undergraduate study at TSUL or equivalent status), as determined solely by TSUL;
 2. Satisfaction of all requirements for admission into the LL.M. in American Legal Studies Program, as established, and as may be amended from time to time, by KU Law School and posted on its website at www.law.ku.edu.
- C. **Admissions.**
1. Applicants for the Program shall submit their application materials to TSUL, which shall identify strong candidates who have satisfied the requirements of TSUL for participation in the Program, conditioned upon admission in the LL.M. in American Legal Studies program by KU Law School. TSUL shall provide a letter confirming the applicants' candidacy for the Program, including certification that each applicant has completed three-fourths of the work needed to earn a Bachelor of Law degree from TSUL, directly to the Director of Admissions of KU Law School.
 2. KU Law School will consider applicants to the Program for whom it has received the confirmation letter described in the preceding paragraph in accordance with KU Law School's standard practices and will make an independent determination regarding whether an applicant is qualified to enroll at KU School of Law as an exchange student.

The English language requirements for admission to KU Law School are at <https://law.ku.edu/apply-llm-international#english>.

3. Applicants will be admitted to the Program only upon approval by both Parties.
 4. Enrollment in this Program shall be limited to 8 (eight) students per academic year.
- D. **Financial Considerations & Arrangements.** Students in the Program will be solely responsible for all tuition, fees, costs, and arrangements associated with completion of all degree requirements established by the Parties or their respective universities, including, without limitation, all travel, visas, housing, insurance, textbooks, materials, and other necessary expenses and arrangements.
- E. **Conferral of LL.M. in American Legal Studies and Bachelor Degree.**
1. **Conferral of LL.M. in American Legal Studies.** Upon a Program student's satisfaction of all requirements established by KU Law School for the completion of the LL.M. in American Legal Studies Program as the same shall be determined by KU Law School in its sole discretion, KU Law School will so notify TSUL and the student. Although the student may participate in commencement prior to conferral of the LL.M. in American Legal Studies, KU Law School will confer the Certificate only upon written confirmation of TSUL that the student has satisfied the requirements for the Bachelor of Law from TSUL.
 2. **Conferral of Bachelor of Law** TSUL shall be solely responsible for establishing the requirements of the Bachelor of Law and conferring the Bachelor of Law upon students upon their completion of the LL.M. in American Legal Studies program. In the event a Program student fails to satisfy the requirements of the LL.M. in American Legal Studies program, TSUL shall determine, in its sole discretion, whether to award partial or no credit for work completed in furtherance of the LL.M. in American Legal Studies Program in satisfaction of the requirements of the Bachelor of Law degree.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. **Representation of Authority.** Each of the Parties hereby represents and warrants that it has obtained all approvals and authorizations necessary or required by its respective university and by any other applicable authority for it to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- B. **Effective Date; Validity.** This Agreement is effective immediately upon the signature below of the Parties and will remain in effect for five (5) years, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Paragraph (D) hereof.
- C. **Amendment.** This Agreement may be amended in writing at any time upon the mutual agreement of the Parties.
- D. **Termination.** This Agreement shall be terminated (i) at any time upon the written agreement of the Parties; (ii) at any time by either Party upon at least six (6) months' written notice by either Party to the other; or (iii) upon the expiration or earlier termination of the AOC. Activities in progress at the time of termination of this Agreement shall be permitted to conclude as planned unless otherwise agreed.
- E. **Parties not Considered Partners; No Beneficiaries.** The Parties to this Agreement shall not consider themselves, nor be considered, as "partners" as that term is defined under the

partnership law of their countries. The Parties hereby agree that this Agreement is intended solely for the mutual benefit of the Parties and does not create any beneficial rights of, nor impose any obligations of the Parties to, students or other third parties.

F. **Dispute Resolution.** The Parties hereby agree to use their best efforts to consult with each other to resolve any dispute, claim, or question relating to their respective rights and obligations under this Agreement, giving due consideration to the mutual benefits contemplated to be enjoyed by each Party under this Agreement. In the event the Parties are unable to resolve any dispute in a timely and mutually satisfactory manner, this Agreement may be terminated in accordance with Paragraph II(D) above.

G. **Copies.** This Agreement shall be executed in two original copies in English and two original copies in Uzbek, with the English version being the primary. Each Party shall retain one copy of each version of this Agreement for its records.

The Parties hereby agree to the terms and conditions set forth herein as of the last date of their signatures below.

Signatures of the Parties' Representatives:

ON BEHALF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

ON BEHALF OF TASHKENT STATE UNIVERSITY
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