# MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT by and between UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS and G PULLA REDDY ENGINEERING COLLEGE

This Memorandum of Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into by University of North Texas, a higher education institution located in Denton, Texas U.S.A. ("UNT") and by G Pulla Reddy Engineering College, a higher education institution located in Kurnool, India ("GPREC"). UNT and GPREC are each hereinafter also referred to as "Institution" and collectively, as "Institutions".

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS the Institutions are linked by common academic and cultural interests;

WHEREAS the Institutions wish to enable cooperation and exchange in all academic areas of mutual interest for the benefit of the respective Institutions and to promote the development of joint studies, activities, and other educational programs of mutual interest; and

WHEREAS this Agreement supports the UNT Mission and the GPREC Mission;

THEREFORE, in consideration of the relationship to be established and the covenants set forth herein, the Institutions agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1 AREA AND SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

1.01 Area of Cooperation. The area of cooperation may include, but not be limited to, exploring the following collaborative activities: (a) the development of student mobility programs; (b) the development of collaborative research projects; (c) the organization of joint academic and scientific activities, such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia, or lectures; (d) research collaboration; (e) exchange of teaching personnel; and (f) exchange or access to publications and other materials of common interest, subject to Confidentiality or Non-Disclosure Agreements, as necessary.

The Institutions agree that this Agreement will provide the foundation and framework for the collaborative activities described herein. Any specific activities undertaken may require that they be set forth in a supplemental agreement, as outlined in Section 2.02.

1.02 <u>Scope of Cooperation</u>. Cooperative activities under this Agreement may include any of the academic disciplines represented at either of the Institutions.

#### ARTICLE 2 PROCEDURES

2.01 <u>Liaisons</u>. In order to carry out and fulfill the aims of this Agreement, each Institution will appoint the appropriate persons at each of their campuses to coordinate the development of collaborative activities. Through these contact persons, either Institution may initiate proposals for activities under this Agreement. The contact persons will additionally be responsible for the evaluation of activities under this Agreement according to the practices of their respective Institutions. Any notice to UNT under the Agreement must be in writing, and shall be deemed given when received by UNT's Director of Global Partnerships and Engagement. Any notice to GPREC under the Agreement must be in writing, and shall be deemed given when received by GPREC designated contact person.

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GPREC Contact: M. Abid Nayeemuddin, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Emerging Technologies and Computer Science, <a href="mailto:abid.ecs@gprec.ac.in">abid.ecs@gprec.ac.in</a>

2.02 <u>Supplemental Agreements</u>. Activities the Institutions mutually agree to undertake are subject to further agreement by the Institutions and may require that they be set forth in a supplemental agreement signed by authorized representatives of each Institution. Supplemental agreements should include specific details of the agreed-upon activity, such as: (a) elaboration of the responsibilities of each Institution for the agreed-upon activity; (b) schedules for the specific activities; (c) budgets and sources of financing of each activity; (d) any other items necessary for the efficient conduct of the activity; and (e) any other items necessary to meet the legal and policy requirements of each Institution. Supplemental agreements are subject to approval and execution by each Institution in accordance with each Institution's policies.

### ARTICLE 3 TERM AND TERMINATION

- 3.01 <u>Term.</u> This Agreement shall take effect upon signature by both Institutions ("Effective Date") and, unless earlier terminated, will continue for a period of five (5) years from the Effective Date.
- 3.02 <u>Extension</u>. This Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement of the Institutions, which must be reduced to writing and signed by both Institutions.
- 3.03 <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated at any time by either Institution upon written notice to the other. Any supplemental agreement entered into pursuant to this Agreement will not automatically terminate with the termination of this Agreement, and any student then enrolled in a program created by such supplemental agreement shall be permitted to complete that program under the terms and conditions of that supplemental agreement.
- 3.04 <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may be amended at any time by either Institution upon mutual consent, which must be reduced to writing and signed by both Institutions.

## ARTICLE 4 MISCELLANEOUS

4.01 Accreditation. UNT is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges ("SACS Commission on Colleges") to award baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees. GPREC is not accredited by SACS Commission on Colleges and the accreditation of UNT does not extend to or include GPREC or its students. Further, although UNT agrees to accept certain course work from GPREC to be applied toward an award from UNT, that course work may not be accepted by other colleges or universities in transfer, even if it appears on a transcript from UNT. The decision to accept course work in transfer from any institution is made by the institution considering the acceptance of credits or course work.

GPREC is recognized by the Government of India and this recognition does not extend to UNT.

- 4.02 <u>Resolution of Disputes</u>. This Agreement is based on the common trust and good faith of the Institutions. In case of disputes, the parties, through the liaison designated in Section 2.01 of this Agreement, shall make a good faith effort to obtain an amicable resolution.
- 4.03 <u>Jurisdiction</u>. This Agreement is set forth in English. The legal jurisdiction under which this Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced shall be the State of Texas, U.S.A., which shall be the forum for any lawsuits arising from and incident to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Institutions have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Memorandum of Agreement as of the Effective Date.

G PULLA REDDY ENGINEERING COLLEGE

By:

Dr. B. Sreenivasa Reddy

Principal

Date: 21 feb 2025



UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

By:

Dr. Michael McPherson

Provost and Vice President for

Academic Affairs

Date: 10/29/2024

Acknowledged By:

Dr. Kinshuk

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