

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION
AGENCY OF URUGUAY
AND QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON**

A. Participants in the Memorandum

This Memorandum is entered into between the National Research and Innovation Agency of Uruguay (ANII) and Queen Mary University of London (hereinafter referred to as “The University”).

ANII is one of the official entities responsible for the implementation of the scholarships.

The University is the degree awarding higher education institution responsible for the education of the scholars and the co-funding of the scholarships.

Both parties accept to be the “participating institutions” in this Memorandum of Understanding.

B. Purpose of the Memorandum

This document represents an understanding between both “participating institutions” aimed at cooperating for the purpose of promoting the training of students in Masters and PhD programs offered by The University in areas of specialization outlined in D.

C. The Cooperation is Envisaged to Operate as Follows:

- 1) Students in Uruguay interested in pursuing a PhD or Master Degree at Queen Mary University of London will seek admission through the usual application procedure established by the University, and fulfill the standard admission requirements (including English language proficiency).

- 2) Those students that result admitted by the University will apply for a scholarship at ANII, following the application procedure established by ANII for that purpose and accomplishing all the standard requirements settled by ANII.
- 3) Students academically admitted by the University and also selected by ANII, will be identified as scholarship holders.

D. The defined areas of interest under this agreement are:

- Energy, including Renewable Energy
- Human Health (include Pharmaceutical Sciences)
- Environment and Biodiversity
- Information and Communications Technology (ICT)
- Audio-visual Production
- Education and Social Development
- Biotechnology and Nanotechnology
- Transport and Logistics
- Any other subject offered by Queen Mary University at Masters or PhD level

E. Intent of Participants:

The intent of this Memorandum is to establish the following:

1. ANII will provide up to 5 scholarships per year.
2. ANII will contribute:
 - a. **2 year Master program: up to USD (\$) 40 000 per student.**
1 year Master program: up to USD (\$) 20.000 per student.
These total amounts shall be destined to cover tuition fees, airline tickets between Uruguay and The United Kingdom, accommodation and health insurance. In case they are not enough, the student must have additional funding to cover all those costs that are not covered by the scholarship provided by ANII.
 - b. **4 year full PhD program: up to USD (\$) 80 000 per student.**
3 year full PhD program: up to USD (\$) 60.000 per student.
These total amounts shall be destined to cover tuition fees, airline tickets between Uruguay and The United Kingdom, accommodation and health insurance. In case they are not enough, the student must

have additional funding to cover all those costs that are not covered by the scholarship provided by ANII.

3. Queen Mary University of London will contribute:
 - a. A scholarship equivalent to a discount of 20% off the international tuition fees for one year Masters Programs.
 - b. A scholarship equivalent to a discount of 50% off the international tuition fees for years 1-4 of PhD Programs.
 - c. Provide all prospective Uruguayan students with information on the agreement with ANII and will instruct these students to submit an application to ANII as a next step in the application procedure.
4. The University will submit to ANII an annual report relative to the academic performance of the scholarship holders, including the student's most recent academic transcript and the student's academic standing. The University will also inform ANII when the student has satisfactorily completed his/her program.

The University and ANII will jointly provide prospective Uruguayan scholars with information on the PhD or Master Programs and guidance on the application process. Candidates can consult Queen Mary University of London website or contact the International Office of Queen Mary University of London for personalized support.

The University will provide ANII with all the relevant promotional materials and brochures to encourage interest among prospective Uruguayan applicants. Each Party will ensure that any marketing and/or publicity is accurate and not misleading and does not contain the branding or logo of the other party without that other party's prior written consent.

5. Both institutions will make the necessary financial arrangements for the confirmed scholars. The University will invoice ANII for payment of tuition fees in GBP (£).

The funds contributed by ANII for both the Master and PhD components as stated in this agreement will be transferred by ANII to the University in GBP (£). ANII will not be responsible for any financial cost generated by the exchange from GBP to dollars (and vice versa) that might be done by the banks in order to make the transaction possible.

The transferences from ANII to the University will be done on a biannual basis as follows: one installment at the beginning of every academic year and one installment six months later, subject to a positive evaluation of the student progress. Each of the installments will be for the 50% of the funds that shall be transferred each year.

6. In case that the student could access to a discount in tuition fees more convenient than the one offered through the agreement between the University and ANII, the student might pay tuition fees or part of them directly to the University. The scholarship provided by ANII might then be destined to air tickets, accommodation and health insurance, and will be paid by ANII directly to the student.
7. Both institutions will have the obligation to inform the other party of any change in the designated coordinator or signatory in charge of this agreement.
8. Scholarship holders will be subject to the rules and regulations of the University and regulations of the National Scholarship System of ANII.
9. Neither The University nor ANII shall be obligated to continue financial support with respect to any student who does not maintain satisfactory progress during each year of their course.
10. If the candidate is unable to complete a PhD or Master within the standard duration, the candidate will be responsible for any continued funding, including but not limited to tuition, living costs, health insurance and visa costs.
11. Tuition Fees for Master can be found at: <https://www.qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/tuitionfees/>
12. Tuition fees for PhD can be found at: https://www.qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/funding_phd/
Fees for scholarship holders will be verified by contact between the designated program coordinators.
13. The University will explain how ANII can access e-PhD theses or Master thesis of Uruguayan students upon graduation. The intellectual property rights will be assigned following The University's usual rules.

F. The designated coordinators for this joint scholarship program are:

For The University:

The International Office (Felicity Shelley or Meghan Harper), Mile End Road, London, E1 4NS, UK
internationaloffice@qmul.ac.uk
+44 (0)207 882 6484

For ANII:

Executive Secretary
Av. Italia 6201, "Los Nogales" Building
Montevideo, Uruguay

Both institutions will do their outmost to market and promote the agreement to prospective Uruguayan applicants.

G. Other Activities

ANII and The University will aim to implement other programs according to the available budget and resources of both parties and Uruguay bylaw. This will be done by exchange of letters.

H. Agreement Modification

Any modification, restriction, broadening or extension of this agreement must be done through mutual consensus in writing of the parts and must be formalized by Addendum which will become part of this agreement.

I. Solution to Controversies

Any controversy, discrepancy or demand derived from this agreement, including the ones concerning its expiration, nullity, execution, compliance or interpretation shall be settled by The University and ANII through mutual consultation acting in good faith and in accordance to their common objectives.

J. Other Provisions

1. This Memorandum has been executed in English.
2. This Memorandum states the intent of participating institutions. Any commitment other than those included herein shall not be binding upon the participating institutions.
3. This Memorandum shall be governed by English law and the parties agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the English courts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties expressly state that they understand and accept that ANII will comply in all its terms with the legal provisions in force in Uruguay, as well as those ordered by resolutions of competent authorities, and that what ANII does in that regard will not, in any case, be considered a breach of the agreement in this document and will not generate any responsibility whatsoever.
4. The University will provide to ANII the personal information about all the MSc and PhD applicants under this agreement (responsibility of the coordinator designated by the University).
5. This Memorandum shall be valid for 5 (five) years from the date on which the domestic administrative procedures have been completed and approved by the authorities of each country, without affecting its

validity for the students who are studying at The University until the end of the scholarship. The Memorandum may be extended for an additional five-year period, subject to this Section J, Clause 5, by agreement between the participating institutions.

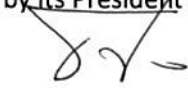
6. Either participating institution may terminate this agreement by giving sixty (60) days' notice in writing by one to the other. Where recipients of ANII funding are still studying at the University, both ANII and the University agree to fulfill their financial obligations to those students until the end of their studies.


7. In the eventuality that a scholarship holder waived the scholarship that was granted to her/him, the Parties will analyze the reasons case by case and the scholarship holder will be entirely responsible for the reimbursement of all the costs associated to the postgraduate program that she/he chose. In case that the scholarship holder reimbursed the amounts corresponding to all the mentioned costs directly to the University, the University shall transfer the amounts received to ANII. The University will not put any objection for ANII to carry out the necessary procedures to collect those sums directly, forcing itself to formalize this authorization in case that this was required by ANII. Queen Mary's refund policy for those who withdraw during an academic year is published here <https://www.welfare.qmul.ac.uk/guides/resitting-interrupting-or-leaving-your-course-guide-international-students/tuition-fees-and/>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have offered their signatures:

Signed for and on behalf of the National Research and Innovation Agency of Uruguay

by its President on the 10 day of August, 2018.





Fernando Brum
President

Signed for and on behalf of Queen Mary University of London by its Vice-Principal on the 20th day of August, 2018.



International, Professor Colin Grant
Vice Principal