MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

INTERNATIONAL INDIGENOUS GRADUATE EDUCATION ALLIANCE

With this Memorandum of Understanding, the participating Indigenous-serving universities agree to join with the World Indigenous Nations Higher Education Consortium in forming a partnership for exchanging information and for developing cooperative programs and activities in the areas of graduate education, professional faculty development, and research broadly related to the education of Indigenous people.

Specifically, the partner institutions will collaborate in the planning and delivery of professional development and research activities for faculty and students through:

- promoting cross-cultural professional development of educators through university approved certificates, diplomas and degrees;
- encouraging students, teachers, administrators, and university faculty to pursue improved teaching and learning practices through mutually recognized effective pedagogy;
- offering high quality cross-institutional instructional programs that include exchange opportunities in each of the partner sites aimed at increased cross-cultural understanding;
- exploring shared research interests among faculty and students from each of the institutions and international partners;
- assisting each other in the development of exemplary curriculum and assessment strategies;
- encouraging ongoing sharing of cultural resources and communication about educational issues using the internet and other electronic systems and technology;
- promoting increased historical and contemporary understanding between and among Indigenous people throughout the world;
- facilitating national and international exchange of students, faculty, and researchers to foster collaborative study and research.

Ratification of this Memorandum of Understanding by participating institutions will not result in any material, financial or other obligation for any of the institutional partners. Each of the institutions will determine the financing of specific joint initiatives in concert with their respective policies and these activities shall be discussed and agreed upon case by case.

This Memorandum of Understanding is effective for a period of five years from the date of signature, and may be revised or extended by mutual consent. Any necessary changes of the Memorandum of Understanding or termination of the agreement requires a six-month advance notice to all parties.
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Signature Page of Participating Institution

The attached Memorandum of Understanding outlining the terms for membership in the International Indigenous Graduate Education Alliance is hereby ratified and agreed to by the member institution identified herein:

Participating Institution: University of Hawai'i at Hilo- Ka Haka 'Ula O Ke'elikolani

Official Signature

Date

Institutional Contact Information: Dr. Kalena Silva, PhD

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Please return the signed copy of this MOU to the following address, from which it will be distributed to all partner institutions for implementation.

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