MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

for

SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL CO-OPERATION

between

Erzurum Technical University, Türkiye

and

Georgian American University, LLC, Georgia

Erzurum Technical University of Türkiye represented by **Prof. Dr. Bülent ÇAKMAK** and **Georgian American University, LLC, of Georgia** represented by **Dr. R. Michael Cowgill** hereby enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for scientific and educational co-operation.

This MoU is to provide for exchange of staff, scholars, students, academic information and materials in the belief that the research and education processes at both universities would be enhanced and that mutual understanding between their respective staff, scholars and students would be increased by the establishment of such exchange programs.

Article 1

The universities agree to promote the following exchange programs, based on their respective academic and educational needs:

1. Exchange of Administrative staff, Academic staff and Lecturers.
2. Exchange of undergraduate and graduate students.
3. Exchange of academic information and materials.
4. Joint research activities and publications.
5. Participation in conferences and academic meetings.
6. Other academic exchanges that both universities agree to.

Article 2

The implementation of each exchange program based on this MoU shall be separately negotiated and agreed upon in writing by both universities. Any such exchange program entered into, as outlined above, will form appendixes to this MoU.

Article 3

The exchange programs as mentioned in Article 2, are not intended to be legally binding documents. They are meant to describe the nature and suggest the guidelines of the exchange program. Nothing, therefore, shall diminish the full autonomy of either institution, nor will any constraints be imposed by either upon the other carrying out the agreement.

Article 4

Both universities shall designate a program officer to develop and co-ordinate the specific programs agreed upon.

Article 5

This Memorandum enters into validity and effect on the day of its signing by the statutory representatives of the Parties. It shall be effective for a period of 5 (five) years and automatically extended for subsequent periods for 5 (five) years unless it is terminated by one of the universities upon prior notice to the other in writing not later than 6 (six) months before the termination date.

On behalf of:

Erzurum Technical University
Erzurum - TÜRKİYE



Name : Prof. Dr. Bülent ÇAKMAK

Designation : Rector

Date : 06.11.2026

On behalf of:

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Date : 04.11.2026