AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COLLEGE OF FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES,
VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY
AND
THE SCHOOL OF FORESTRY, UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY
Amended October 8, 1996

In accordance with a mutual desire to promote scholarly and educational cooperation between the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, USA, and the School of Forestry at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand, the undersigned representatives of both institutions join in this Agreement.

I. The School of Forestry of the University of Canterbury and the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University agree to promote the following activities to enhance the educational and scholarly goals of each institution:

1. Exchange of faculty members and other researchers;
2. Exchange of students;
3. Exchange of information and academic materials that are of mutual interest to both parties;
4. Activities such as collaborative research, joint symposia, and exchange of lectures.

II. Except for matters stipulated in the APPENDIX to this Agreement, matters pertaining to the implementation of the exchange based on this Agreement shall be negotiated and agreed upon between representatives of the two parties. Major aspects of collaboration will be the subjects of special agreements and letters of understanding, especially if proposals requesting external or cooperative funding are to be submitted.

The coordinating representatives signing this Agreement will act closely and guide the collaborative activities. The appropriate authorities in the two universities will determine matters of resource allocation under the normal procedures of each institution. This Agreement does not imply financial commitment by the University of Canterbury or by Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

III. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which it is executed by both parties, and shall be in force for five (5) years, subject from time to time to revision and modification by mutual written agreement. The School of Forestry of the University of Canterbury or the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University may, by giving six (6) months' written notice to the other faculty, terminate the Agreement. In the absence of such an early termination, the renewal of this Agreement shall be discussed by the two parties no less than six (6) months prior to the termination of this Agreement as set forth in this paragraph.

IV. This Agreement is to be executed in two identical copies and each party will retain one copy. Both copies are equally authentic.
APPENDIX TO AGREEMENT
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Under the Agreement for academic cooperation between the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and the School of Forestry of the University of Canterbury, the parties hereto agree to facilitate the exchange of faculty members and other researchers and the exchange of students in the following ways:

I. FACULTY MEMBERS AND OTHER RESEARCHERS

Travel and other cost of living expenses incurred by the participants shall be the responsibility of the participants or their sponsors. Both parties, however, shall make efforts to assist participants in identifying appropriate financial support in order to enable them to carry out teaching and research work at the partner college or school. Both parties agree to assist the participants in finding adequate housing on or near the campus involved.

II. STUDENTS

Each year during the term of the Agreement, not more than two (2) students from the School of Forestry of the University of Canterbury and not more than two (2) students from the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University may be enrolled at the partner school or college under the terms of this Agreement.

Definitions
1. Host University: the university accepting the exchanged students
2. Home University: the university providing the exchanged students

Articles
1. The field of study of each student participating in the exchange must be such that the host school or college can appoint a qualified supervisor or advisor and provide an adequate course of study.
2. Participating students shall possess sufficient language proficiency, as determined by the host school or college, in order to follow lectures or carry out research work at the host school or college.
3. Participating students shall continue as candidates for degrees at their home school or college and will not be candidates for degrees at the host institution.
4. Both parties to the Agreement shall provide evaluation of coursework completed by participating students at the host school or college upon request by the home university.
5. The University of Canterbury shall provide participating students from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with accommodation. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University shall make every reasonable effort to ensure that participating students from the University of Canterbury are provided assistance in finding adequate housing on or near the campus.

6. The students participating in the exchange programme under the terms of this Agreement shall be selected initially by their home school or college. However, the final admission decision, based on the criteria of academic quality and the availability of appropriate supervisory faculty members, shall rest with the host university.

7. Students will pay the tuition and fees of their home university to their home university prior to participating in the programme. Accommodation costs at the host university will be the responsibility of the incoming student.

8. Participating students shall be in good health and shall have medical insurance for the period of the exchange. Students shall be responsible for necessary health insurance and medical costs. Each host university will inform incoming students of health insurance requirements and availability.

9. The period of enrollment of participating students in the host school or college normally shall be one (1) academic year. The names and preliminary files of selected University of Canterbury participants will be forwarded to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University for final approval by June 1. Names and files of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University students selected for the programme will be sent to the University of Canterbury by December 1.

10. It is understood that the number of participating students may be modified in the future by mutual written agreement.

11. Travel expenses, cost of living, or other necessary expenses incurred by the participating students shall be the responsibility of the participating students.

12. Participating students may apply to New Zealand agencies or United States of America agencies for fellowships and scholarships. Representatives of each party shall make efforts to inform the other concerning the availability of relevant fellowships and scholarships for foreign students.
V. Signatures

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University of Canterbury

Date 6/12/96

Professor S. M. Zeideker
Coordinating Representative
Virginia Tech

Date 2/11/97

Mr. K. O'Reilly, Dean, Faculty of Forestry
University of Canterbury

Date 18/12/96

Dr. Gregory K. Brown, Dean
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Date 2/19/97

Professor David W. Smith, Associate Dean
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Date 2/19/97

Professor R. Park, Deputy Vice Chancellor
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Date 10/12/96

Ms. Linoh H. Gray, Coordinator
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Date 2/19/97

Dr. Peggy Mataro, Provost
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