**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**

*Know All Men By These Presents:*

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (hereinafter “Agreement”)is made and entered into by and between:

The **POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES**, a state university with principal address at Anonas St., Sta. Mesa, Manila, duly represented by its Vice President for Branches and Campuses, **PROF. PASCUALITO B. GATAN**, and hereinafter referred to as **“UNIVERSITY”**;

-and-

The **PAMANA PROPERTIES CORPORATION**, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines with business address at Dasmarinas St., Binondo, Manila, duly represented by its President, **MS. SHEILA MAE SAAVEDRA** and hereinafter referred to as **“Host Training Establishment or HTE”**.

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS,** theCommission on Higher Education (CHED), on 24 May 2020, issued CHED COVID Advisory No. 7, wherein it stated that OJT and internship programs (foreign and local) remain suspended until ECQ, MECQ, GCQ, and MGCQ has been lifted. For Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) in MGCQ areas, in-campus OJT and internship programs can be authorized provided there is strict compliance with physical distancing and other health protocols. On 10 February 2021, the CHED and the Department of Health (DOH) issued Joint Memorandum Circular Order No. 2021-001 wherein CHED and DOH prioritized selected health-related degree programs regarded as vital in providing additional manpower support in the health system, for the gradual reopening of HEI campuses for limited face-to-face classes and internship;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the aforementioned issuances, the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, through Memorandum Order No. 2, Series of 2021, allowed the offering of On-the-Job Training (OJT) and Internship Programs by means of online and/or correspondence mode of delivery;

**WHEREAS,** the **UNIVERSITY,** has established an Internship Program as part of its curriculum. The program is designed to supplement the learnings and to train students to become competitive and technologically innovative professionals through actual exposure to a professional workplace or through online platform to address the new normal brought about by COVID-19;

**WHEREAS,** the **HTE** supports this program and is willing to give the students of the **UNIVERSITY** a course related work assignments and expose them to actual learning experiences;

**NOW THEREFORE**, for in consideration of the foregoing premises, the parties hereby bind themselves to undertake this Agreement under the following terms and conditions:

1. **Responsibilities of the University**
   * + 1. The **University** shall instruct the College to conduct pre-internship orientation/training to the student intern, as a pre-requisite to his/her deployment to internship venues, on work environment issues, including but not limited to, proper work ethics and laws against sexual harassment.
       2. The **University** shall take appropriate action on any complaint against the student intern in accordance with its policies. It may unilaterally withdraw the student intern who is found to misbehave and/or act in defiance to existing standards, rules, regulations of the **HTE** and impose the necessary University sanctions against the said student intern.
       3. The **University** shall issue a final grade to the student intern upon completion of the requirements within the prescribed period in accordance with its regulations on grading system and performance assessment of the **HTE**.
2. **Responsibilities of the HTE**
3. The **HTE** shall commit to take in the student intern to undergo Internship Program consistent with the requirements of the University.
4. The **HTE** shall orient the student intern on the standard rules and regulations of their establishment.
5. The **HTE** shall provide free relevant instruction, exposure, and training to the student intern, consistent with its policies, rules and regulations. It shall treat the student intern in a professional manner, and shall ensure that the student intern, in the course of internship, shall not be exposed to any form of harassment/unethical practice or tasks and work assignments that are unreasonably risky, dangerous or unrelated to the purposes of the Internship Program.
6. The **HTE** shall issue a Certificate of Completion to the student intern within ten (10) working days after the completion of internship.
7. **Responsibilities of the Student Intern**
   * + 1. The student intern shall execute an Internship Contract and/or Agreement with the **HTE** which includes the notarized written consent of the parent/guardian allowing his/her son/daughter to undergo the internship program with the **HTE**.
       2. The student intern shall maintain confidentiality, when and where appropriate, during and after the internship period of all the data, business or trade secrets where such information is not within the public domain and is indicated and is understood as confidential.
       3. The student intern shall adhere to the existing rules and regulations of the **HTE** including the proper use of tools, instruments, machines and equipment.
       4. The student intern shall be personally responsible for any and all liabilities arising from gross negligence in the performance of his/her duties and functions while under internship.
8. **General Provisions**
   * + 1. The duration of the program shall be equivalent to at least 600 hours unless otherwise agreed upon by the **COMPANY** and the **UNIVERSITY**;

2. The OJT shall be held online based on the agreed schedule between the mentor

and the mentee and duly noted by the faculty adviser;

3. The **HTE** and the **University** shall jointly develop an Internship Planfor the student

intern specifying objectives, knowledge, and competencies that the student intern

should acquire in each learning area, assignment, and/or activity covered by the

Internship Plan.

4. The **HTE** is not obliged to employ the student internupon completion of the internship.

The **HTE**, however, upon consultation with the **University**, may invite qualified

students to submit themselves to examinations, interviews, and file pertinent

documents in support of their application.

1. There is no employer-employee relationship between the **HTE** and the student-intern. The student intern shall not be entitled to compensation/benefits accorded to an employee. However, the **HTE** may grant the student intern a training allowance, if possible, in accordance with the **HTE**’s existing rules and regulations.
2. Since the student interns are not employees of the HTE, they are not to be subjected to mandatory overtime (OT) nor be required to work during holidays.
3. The Parties shall claim co-ownership for whatever output/result/technologies generated from the internship that will merit intellectual property application, publications or use, subject to the policies of the University relating to copyright and intellectual property rights.
4. The Parties shall not divulge any information that it may have access to, and any such information will only be used for academic purposes.
5. **Online Internship**

The Online Internship Program of the University is established to comply with CHED COVID Advisory No. 7 and Joint Memorandum Circular Order No. 2021-001. The provisions of this Agreement, when applicable, and the following shall apply:

1. The student interns are allowed to perform ***Online Training (web-based)***or be subjected to ***Work-from-Home*** arrangements as delegated by the **HTE** and pursuant to the policies of the **University***.* The same shall be considered creditable internship hours for the purpose of this Agreement*.*
2. The student interns are expected to perform office-related tasks such as, but not limited to, research, production of written reports, attendance in meetings (e.g., Zoom, Google Meet, Microsoft Teams and other similar video conferencing services), as may be applicable.
3. The student interns shall perform tasks or responsibilities within the period as specified in the Agreementestablished by the **University** and the **HTE.**

**F. Termination, Entirety of the Agreement, Period and Governing Law**

* + - 1. The Parties shall have the right to pre-terminate the training contemplated by this Agreement by serving a written notice to the other party at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination and based on the following grounds:
         1. The student intern substantially violates the rules and regulations of **HTE**, or in cases of serious misconduct of the student intern;
         2. The **HTE** is proven to fail in providing the safety of the student intern and quality of training contemplated by this Agreement; and
         3. There is any material violation of the foregoing covenants that will warrant the cancellation of this Agreement.

PROVIDED, that the terminating party shall formally inform the Program Coordinator or Faculty Adviser of the grievance before any decision to terminate is made and finalized. The Program Coordinator or Faculty Adviser shall intervene to rectify the situation in the interest of all parties concerned.

* + - 1. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. It excludes and supersedes everything else which has occurred between the parties whether written or oral, including all other communication with respect to the subject matter hereof. Any amendment hereto shall be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Parties.
      2. This Agreement shall take effect beginning the **2nd semester of SY 2021-2022 and shall continue to be in force for a period of three (3) years unless earlier terminated for just cause**, by either Party after thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other Party.
      3. The three-year period shall be applicable to cover other prospective student interns who may likewise be required to undergo an internship with the **HTE** during the effectivity of this Agreement.
      4. Any renewal of this Agreement shall be through the mutual written consent by both parties.
      5. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the parties hereby affix their signatures this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Philippines.

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| By:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  **PROF. PASCUALITO B. GATAN**  *Vice President for Branches and Campuses* | By:  \_\_ Sheila Mae Saavedra \_\_\_  **Name and Signature of Authorized Signatory of Company** |

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:

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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Republic of the Philippines)

City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ) S.S.

**BEFORE ME**, a Notary Public, for and in the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, personally appeared:

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|  | Valid Proof of Identity | Issued at/on |
| **PROF. PASCUALITO B. GATAN**  **AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE** | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

known to me to be the same persons who executed this instrument and acknowledged the same to me as their free and voluntary act and deed, and of the entities they respectively represent.

This document consists of four (4) pages including the page where this Acknowledgment is written, and the parties signed at the left margin of each and every page hereof.

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL** on the place and date first above written.

Notary Public

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