UT 3+1+x Concept Note

The UT 3+1+x program will allow international students to complete their first three years of study in their home institution, transfer to UT, and finish the senior at UT, transfer the credits back to their home institution and obtain an undergraduate degree. Students are given conditional admission to enroll in the master’s program at UT and will continue to finish their master's degree according to the program requirements. Upon successful completion, students will receive a master’s degree from UT.

**Pilot programs at UT:** Forestry, Wildlife and Fishery - Nanjing Forestry University

**Partner institutions:** tentative partner institution is selected based on faculty contacts, program matching. OAE can help vet the institutions.

**Enrollment:** The projected enrollment will be based on the enrollment of programs at partner institution. Students will participate in the program voluntarily. OAE and the department will work with the institution to recruit students.

**Financial Support:** For the senior year when students are at UT, they will be responsible for their tuition and any other cost associated with their studies. For their master’s degree program, the financial support will be determined by their hosting department.

**UT’s supporting units** include:

- Graduate School – conditional admission, review of the program
- Office of Asia Engagement – communications, coordination, credit transfer, MOU/MOA signing, student transition
- Transfer Center – review and accept students
- English Languages Institute – English proficiency assessment, language and cultural instruction as needed

Student/faculty support – OAE, ISSS, ELI, Student Success teams

**Benefits of the program**

- Increase cultural diversity on campus
- Create a pipeline for the graduate programs
- Increase enrollment in master’s programs
- Establish strategic partnerships with foreign institutions that can lead to research collaborations and other opportunities

**Department Investment**

- Assign faculty/administrator to review student applications
- Assign a staff to collect all transcripts of the students and send back to the home institution
- Possible trip to foreign institutions to help with recruitment and establishment of partnerships
- Student mentoring and advising to help students adapt to the classrooms

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