

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
KEPHA INSTITUTE OF COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
AND
INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARS OF CHRISTIAN RENEWAL MINISTRIES

Kepha Institute (Kepha) is part of Columbia International University, a private, multi-denominational Christian higher education institution, committed to developing caring, dedicated, and competent community leaders around the globe. Kepha provides international students an online option to develop spiritual maturity, biblical and theological knowledge, and ministry skills. The seminary courses offered through Kepha are the online version of courses offered by Columbia Biblical Seminary. Institute of Theological Seminars (ITS) is a ministry of Christian Renewal Ministries, Inc. (CRM), dedicated to providing graduate-level theological training (through both seminars and online teachings) for Chinese Christian professionals who desire advanced training for effective lay leadership in their own churches or for eventual full-time vocational ministry.

Both Kepha and ITS have a solid commitment to theological training with a global perspective. In the interest of mutual benefit and in recognition of the fine theological education and ministry training provided by ITS, Kepha and ITS enters into the following articulation agreement. This agreement permits: 1) Kepha utilizes selected ITS courses in its non-credit program (Chinese Mission Diploma Program, i.e., CMDP); 2) ITS utilizes selected Kepha online courses (CMDP) that are conducted in Chinese; and 3) students who have completed studies at ITS to become transfer students with advanced status in the certificate and programs of Kepha via Proficiency Exmas.

Accordingly, the following terms apply to this agreement:

1. The pre-recorded ITS courses will be examined and made available on CMDP with the online course guidelines applied.
 - 1) 25% of the tuition received from students will be paid to CRM. 35% will be paid to the instructor who conducts the class (responsibilities include but are not limited to meeting with students every other week via ZOOM meeting, responding to questions via email, grading papers and exams, reporting grades at the end of the semester). 15% will be paid to Teaching Assistant (TA) if such a role is required for the class. If such a role is not required of the class, this 15% goes to CMDP. 15% will be paid to Overseas Campus Ministries (OCM) for the online course platform service and maintenance. 10% will be paid to CMDP for admission and administrative cost.
 - 2) If the instructor and/or the TA are provided by ITS, the corresponding percentage will be paid through CRM.
 - 3) ITS will receive lists of the students enrolling in each course on CMDP.
2. The pre-recorded courses in Chinese provided by Kepha Institute that ITS selected to utilize will be made available on the platform of ITS.
 - 1) 25% of the received tuition will be paid to CMDP. 35% will be paid to the instructor. 15% will be paid to TA if such a role is required. If not, this 15% goes to CRM. 25% will be paid to CRM.

- 2) If the instructor and/or the TA are provided by Kepha, the corresponding percentage will be paid through Kepha.
- 3) Kepha will receive lists of the students enrolling in each course on the platform of ITS.
3. Currently, the grades of five courses in CMDP could be transferred into the credited program after taking the proficiency exam and meeting the minimum grade of C or above 77. These courses are: Introduction to the Old Testament I: From Genesis to Song of Songs; Introduction to the Old Testament II: Prophets; Introduction to the New Testament I: Gospels; Introduction to the New Testament II: From Acts to Revelation; Progress of Redemption. The list of the courses in CMDP will be extended and made available for ITS on its platform.
4. The Language courses provided by ITS may help students master the skills of Hebrew and Greek. Once students pass the language proficiency exams at CIU, they may waive four introductory language courses in the credited Master's degree: Greek 1, Greek 2, Hebrew 1, and Hebrew 2.

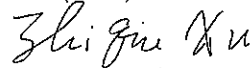
It is understood that this agreement shall be reviewed annually and may be canceled at any time by either of the institutions with appropriate protection for students enrolled in any given semester. This agreement may also be amended with the consent of both institutions.

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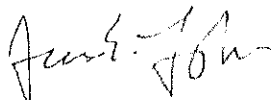


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