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**Cooperative Agreement
Between
Saint Francis University and Franciscan University at Steubenville**

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The parties agree to the following:

- (1) All full-time, male, undergraduate students at Saint Francis University, who have been approved by the TOR Vocation Director, are eligible to apply for the program. Further requirements may be established by Franciscan University at Steubenville and all applicants must meet those requirements.
- (2) All students planning to apply for the program shall do so through the regular application process in place at Franciscan University at Steubenville.
- (3) No spaces within the program are guaranteed to Saint Francis University students and Saint Francis University is not required to provide any minimum number of applicants.
- (4) Students accepted into the program shall become transfer students to Franciscan University. Transfer credits will be awarded according to policies at Franciscan University.
- (5) Upon acceptance and transfer into the TOR Affiliate Program, all tuition, fees, and other program costs are due to Franciscan University.
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Dr. Max Bonilla
Vice President for Academic Affairs

5/27/09

Date

Dr. Wayne D. Powel
Provost

May 14, 2009

Date

Office of the Provost

THE SAINT FRANCIS UNIVERSITY DISCERNMENT AND AFFILIATION PROGRAM

AT FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY OF STEUBENVILLE

Fr. Gabriel J. Zeis, T.O.R., April 20, 2009

THE GOALS: The Saint Francis University Discernment and Affiliation Program will give students from Saint Francis University an opportunity to discern their place in life in accord with the Franciscan T.O.R. tradition of affiliated engagement in community, in discourse with a spiritual director/mentor, and through class work in Philosophy and Theology as non-matriculating students at the Franciscan University of Steubenville.

AFFILIATION: Students will be chosen who have shown a consistent interest in the Franciscan T.O.R. lifestyle and have been working with an assigned counselor or spiritual director. At the request of the candidate, the Registrar and Provost with their approval will recommend that this student be allowed to attend this program for a semester.

Arrangements will be made with the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Registrar of the Franciscan University of Steubenville along with the Provost of Saint Francis University to transfer credits from Franciscan University to Saint Francis University.

FINANCES: Arrangements will be made to exchange a similar rate of tuition and room and board at Saint Francis University for that of Franciscan University. There may well be some differences and students will be informed of possible changes in cost between the two universities.

COMMUNITY: One of the key elements of success for such a program will be that of a community experience with peers sharing in the same discernment issues. It will afford the students of Saint Francis University an opportunity to engage with others who are reflecting and discerning on a similar path of religious vocation. It is believed that the benefit of this program will be to broaden its appeal, as students returning from a successful and nurturing program at Franciscan University will be the best ambassadors to others who will likely engage in this program in the future.

PERSONNEL: The campus at Saint Francis University will do all that is necessary to sustain this program through marketing and by providing whatever will be essential to give broader exposure to the Franciscan presence on campus, especially in support of the Office of Vocations. The Office already has a member of staff on campus, one would hope that this will continue and be a source of support and administration to the program based at Saint Francis University.

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