

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
4U CORPUS CHRISTI FOUNDATION

GARCIA

We, the undersigned natural persons, all of whom are citizens of the State of Texas, and who are more than 18 years of age, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Texas Nonprofit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation is 4U Corpus Christi Foundation.

ARTICLE II.

The Foundation is a nonprofit corporation.

ARTICLE III.

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV.

The purposes for which the Foundation is organized are:

1. Subject to paragraph 2 of this Article IV, the specific and primary purposes of this Foundation shall be as follows:

- (a) To promote the establishment of and support for a four-year graduate level university offering graduate level degrees in a wide variety of academic and professional disciplines, by converting Corpus Christi State University from its present status to a comprehensive four-year university or by any

other method deemed appropriate by the Foundation.

- (b) To support interim and more immediately attainable improvements to higher education offerings in Corpus Christi, Texas, including efforts to streamline and improve cooperation between Corpus Christi State University and Del Mar College through new partnership programs and immediate efforts to expand the graduate programs at Corpus Christi State University.
- (c) In the event a four-year university is established, to encourage administrative and academic cooperation and sharing between the four-year university and the Community College in order to maximize the variety, viability and quality of the educational offerings of each institution, and to continue working to support the four-year university in recruiting students and faculty, by lobbying for maximum state funding for that institution, by establishing endowments, and by otherwise raising private funds to support the four-year university and by pursuing a standard of academic excellence.

- (d) To work with Texas A & I University of Kingsville, Texas, to encourage the viability of that institution and to establish a cooperative working relationship between a four-year university in Corpus Christi, Texas and Texas A & I University.
- (e) To establish and maintain lines of communication between the residents of the City, businesses, governmental entities and educational institutions in order to facilitate the proper implementation of the goals and objectives of the Foundation.
- (f) To sponsor programs and speakers to build support in the Coastal Bend for a four-year university by sponsoring research to determine how Corpus Christi, Texas compares with other comparable cities in regard to higher education and by collecting and disseminating information, survey results and facts derived about Corpus Christi educational opportunities to all interested persons and entities.
- (g) To lessen the burdens of government by commissioning surveys and obtaining expert opinions concerning the impact of the four-year university on the economic development and on the quality of life of the

Coastal Bend and by providing those results to local government officials to facilitate their planning for the educational opportunities and needs of the Corpus Christi area.

- (h) To inform the public on subjects useful and beneficial to the educational needs of the community, including pending and proposed legislation affecting the educational needs of Corpus Christi, Texas and the Coastal Bend, and programs to encourage the enhancement of educational opportunities in Corpus Christi, Texas.
- (i) To participate in drafting proposed legislation and to present petitions for the purpose of having legislation introduced and to circulate printed material concerning legislation relating to the Foundation's purposes. To engage in other legislative activities, including appearances before federal, state, and local legislative bodies, boards and councils, and to encourage community residents to contact their public representatives.
- (j) To support the separate but equally important role that Del Mar College plays in the

community by assisting the College in attaining its goals.

(k) To establish policies, plans, and procedures for the various stages of implementing the goals of the Foundation.

2. The general purposes of the Foundation are to operate exclusively for the promotion of the common good and general welfare of all residents of Corpus Christi, Texas, by bringing about improvements in the educational opportunities available to all citizens of the community, including the establishment of the four-year university with expanded graduate level programs, through proper advance planning and lobbying efforts. The Foundation will develop and implement programs and will participate in the formulation of public policy having an impact on the educational opportunities available to residents of Corpus Christi, Texas, and will promote the common good and general welfare of all the City's residents.
3. The Foundation shall be empowered to receive and maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and, subject to the restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, shall use and apply the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal thereof

exclusively for the promotion of social welfare through betterment of the common good and general welfare of the people of the community, as the same is defined under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and its regulations, as they now exist or as they may be hereafter amended.

4. The Foundation shall not directly or indirectly participate or intervene in political campaigns on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Subject to this restriction, the Foundation may attempt to influence legislation affecting the establishment and maintenance of a four-year graduate level university in Corpus Christi, Texas.
5. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Foundation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under §501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder.
6. The Foundation will not be organized or operated for profit. No part of the net earnings of the Foundation shall inure to the benefit of any director or officer of the Foundation or any

private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Foundation effecting one or more of its purposes) and no director or officer of the Foundation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.

7. Upon the dissolution of the Foundation, all assets remaining after the payment of Foundation liabilities shall be distributed to organizations which are exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and no director, officer of the Foundation, or any private individual shall be entitled to any share of such assets.

ARTICLE V.

The Foundation shall have members, but no member of the Foundation shall have any voting rights.

ARTICLE VI.

The street address of the initial registered office of the Foundation is _____ [STREET ADDRESS] _____, Corpus Christi, Texas 784____, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is _____.

ARTICLE VII.

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the Foundation is _____ (___), and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

ARTICLE VII.

The name and street address of each incorporator is:

ARTICLE VIII.

The Corporation shall indemnify its officers and directors in respect to any costs or expenses incurred in connection with any claim asserted by reason of being or having been an officer or director, to the maximum extent permitted by the laws of Texas, subject to any restrictions on indemnification or the determination of a right to indemnification set forth in the Texas Nonprofit Corporation Act.

EXECUTED the _____ day of _____, 1986.

, Incorporator

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THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF NUECES §

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____, who being by me first duly sworn declared that she is the person whose name is subscribed to the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation as incorporator, and that the statements and allegations therein contained are true.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office on the ____ day of _____, 1986.

Notary Public, State of Texas

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