Memorandum of Agreement

Big Data for Indiana State University, Student Participant, and Faculty Mentor

Congratulations on your acceptance into the Big Data for Indiana State University (BD4ISU) program funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). This memorandum describes your performance expectations as a student participating in BD4ISU and what you can expect from the BD4ISU Program and your research mentor.

The student participant agrees to:

- have regular meetings with your faculty mentor (at least biweekly),
- complete Responsible Conduct in Research Training,
- maintain a 3.0 2.5 GPA overall and participate in the curriculum designed for the program to remain eligible for funding through this program,
- participate in paid research throughout the regular academic year (8 hours/week),
- participate in a 10-week intensive summer research experience at ISU during the first year,
- participate in a 10-week internship at the Ohio State University in the second year of participation,
- apply to external research programs in the third year of participation,
- present the results of your research at an appropriate conference,
- complete project responsibilities and assignments as directed by your mentor,
- participate in BD4ISU Indiana student activities,
- apply for graduate programs during your senior year,
- take the GRE in the fall semester of your senior year, and
- participate in the Career Readiness Program provided by the ISU Career Center.

Your faculty research mentor agrees to:

- meet with you as needed (at least biweekly).
- provide training and guidance for your research project.
- provide opportunities to practice presentation skills,
- meet with you prior to registration each semester to discuss the BD4ISU curriculum expectations and your academic schedule,
- discuss your progress in the program, continued participation in the program, and any necessary steps needed to stay on track,
- assist you with identifying potential internships, external research opportunities, and graduate programs.
- not require more than 8 hours/week of research during the academic year.

BD4ISU agrees to:

- assess your progress through the curriculum every semester,
- work with mentors to develop successful student/mentor relationships.
- provide you with research support as paid wages,
- provide you with travel support to assist participation at appropriate scientific meetings, and
- coordinate activities to help all participants develop skills needed for academic success, such as GRE preparation assistance and other workshops as needed.

Student Participant:	Date:	
Faculty Mentor:		
Program Director:		