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## INDIVIDUAL DECLARATION OF ACADEMIC BENEFIT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have been awarded an assistantship for the  Fall  Spring  Summer I  Summer II semester(s) of the \_\_\_\_\_ academic year, pursuant to which I will be performing research services. I understand that any graduate assistant who receives a “direct academic benefit” for performing research services does not fall within the bargaining unit definition agreed to by the Temple University Graduate Students Association (TUGSA) and Temple University and, thus, is not a member of the bargaining unit. I further understand that “direct academic benefit” has been defined by TUGSA and Temple University to mean: (a) receipt of “academic credit” (i.e., semester hour credit, grade, or satisfaction of a degree requirement); or (b) the use of research provided pursuant to the assistantship as a component of a master’s thesis, master’s project or doctoral dissertation, or otherwise for receipt of academic credit.

This will confirm that I **DO INTEND** to receive a “direct academic benefit” (as defined above) for performing my research services. I understand that I will be excluded from the bargaining unit and will not be entitled to representation by TUGSA throughout the period specified above.

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Signature of Graduate Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

This will confirm that I **WILL NOT** receive a “direct academic benefit” (as defined above) for performing my research services. I understand that any subsequent attempt by me (either during my assistantship or thereafter) to receive a “direct academic benefit” (as defined above) for performing my research services will be disallowed by the University regardless of the time at which the use of such research for these purposes may come to the University’s attention. I also understand that the University may require me, at the time I submit any materials for “academic credit” (as defined above), to affirm that I have not used any research undertaken pursuant to my assistantship (or any past assistantship) in those materials.

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Signature of Graduate Student

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Date