



## Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum is made and entered into this day between

The University of Verona, located in Verona (Italy), Via dell'Artigliere, 8, represented by its Rector, Professor Pierfrancesco Nocini;

The Skenè Research Centre, University of Verona, located in Verona (Italy), Lungadige Porta Vittoria 41, represented by its Director, Professor Silvia Bigliazzi;

and

Westmont College, located in Santa Barbara, CA (USA), 955 La Paz Road, Santa Barbara, CA, represented by Mitchell Thomas, Chair of Theatre Arts.

By means of the Memorandum, the contracting parties agree to seek to develop joint activities and programmes for the purpose of facilitating academic exchange and cooperation in the broad field of **Shakespeare and Drama**.

The principal purpose of this Memorandum is to facilitate collaboration in the area of Shakespeare Studies.

Other joint activities included in this Memorandum may in the future include:

- 1. Collaborative teaching
- 2. Collaborative research
- 3. Exchange of academic staff
- 4. Exchange of Research Fellows
- 5. Exchange of publications
- 6. Visiting of academic staff

It is the intention of both parties to specify particular cooperative projects under the above headings in separate detailed agreements.

This Memorandum becomes effective from the date of the signatures below and will be in existence for a period of 5 years, unless one party gives notice six months in advance that it wishes to amend or terminate the agreement.

The Agreement is signed by the contracting parties:

Professor Pier Francesco Nocini Rector

University of Verona

Prof. Silvia Bigliazzi Interdepartmental Skenè Centre

University of Verona

Date: 13.10.2021

**Professor Mitchell Thomas** 

Chair

Westmont College

Date: 14.10.2021