LinguaFolio Online Terms and Conditions of Use

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1. Background

1.1. LinguaFolio Online is a portfolio assessment tool offered by the UO’s Center for Applied Second Language Studies (“CASLS”) that allows students to collect evidence demonstrating their communicative abilities to themselves and others. Students gain Access to LinguaFolio Online through their respective organizations.

1.2. LinguaFolio Online is provided by CASLS and includes contributions from the National Council of State Supervisors for Languages (“NCSSFL”). NCSSFL holds the federally registered LinguaFolio trademark and all rights therein and provides content for the “CanDo” statements associated with the LinguaFolio mark.

1.3. You are an organization that is a school or not for profit educational entity and that desires its students, teachers and administrators to use LinguaFolio Online to assess second language proficiency in classes that you offer (“Organization”).

1.4 Students may gain Access in two ways: (1) their teacher may create individual class lists and individual user names and passwords for students using LinguaFolio Online; or (2) students of your Organization with individual email addresses may register using the registration code provided to the Organization by LinguaFolio Online and CASLS.

2. Definitions

2.1. “Access” means method of gaining password controlled access to LinguaFolio Online. Permission to Access the LinguaFolio Online can only be provided by Organization to its student and teacher users as authorized in conformance with the terms of these Terms of Use.

2.2. “Authorized Users” means solely Organization’s participating teachers and students who are provided Access by Organization.

3. Grant

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4. Organization’s Obligations

4.1 Organization represents and warrants that it is solely responsible for obtaining permission from its Authorized Users to meet these Terms of Use, compliance with student privacy laws, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1996 (FERPA), compliance with all state and government regulations applicable to Organization and its Authorized Users, and for complying with the Child Online Privacy Protection Act (“COPPA”), which requires parental consent for online collection of personal information from children under 13.

4.2. Organization must obtain advance written consent (“Consent”) from all parents whose children will be accessing LinguaFolio Online either by providing parents a copy of these Terms of Use or by providing a URL where these Terms of Use can be read and then obtaining a signed written consent form these Terms of Use. UO makes these Terms of Use available at the following URL: https://linguafolio.uoregon.edu. When obtaining Consent, Organization must inform parents that in participating in LinguaFolio Online, their child may be sharing personally identifiable information online. Organization must keep proof of Consents on file and provide them to UO upon UO’s request. If a Parent does not provide consent, Organization and/or the student’s teacher must provide an alternative activity for their student. For more information on COPPA, please see www.ftc.gov/privacy.

4.3. LinguaFolio Online is part of a research study at the UO involving human subjects. The research protocol (IRB Protocol Number 02152013.018) has been reviewed by the UO Institutional Review Board and UO Research Compliance Services. This is a minimal risk research protocol that qualifies for an exemption from IRB review under 45 CFR 46.101(b)(1) for research conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings, involving normal educational practices, such as research on regular or special education instructional strategies or research on the effectiveness of or the comparison among instructional techniques, curricula, or classroom management methods.

4.4. Following grant of access codes to Organization by CASLS, Organization will only grant access codes to teachers and staff members who are Organization’s current employees and only to its current students. Upon termination of teacher or staff member’s
employment, Organization will require such individual to return and cease using all access codes he or she has in her possession.

4.5. Organization is solely responsible for background checks for its teachers and administrators it chooses to be Authorized Users.

5. Support

5.1. UO may provide Organization with updates of LinguaFolio Online components as such updates have been made generally available and as UO determines them to be necessary. UO will provide Organization with technical assistance on the use of all LinguaFolio Online components, on an “as available” basis.

5.2. For technical assistance contact the LinguaFolio Coordinator at Ifolio@uoregon.edu.

6. Delivery

6.1. To gain Access to LinguaFolio Online, Organization must register for a LinguaFolio Online Account and complete payment as required during the registration process. To do so Organization must contact CASLS by visiting http://casls.uoregon.edu/pages/tools/linguafolio.php and completing registration for LinguaFolio Online.

6.2 Following registration and payment, Organization will be provided with access codes allowing Authorized Users (including administrators, teachers, and students) to Access LinguaFolio Online and create user profiles.

7. Term

7.1. Organization and your Authorized User’s term of use for LinguaFolio Online will commence upon registration, payment and conformance with these Terms of Use and will terminate at the end of the last academic year Organization has made payment for.

8. Payment

8.1. Organization must make payment to the UO as outlined during the LinguaFolio Online registration process.

8.2. If UO does not receive payment within the period outlined during the registration process, Organization’s license of and Access to LinguaFolio Online is revoked.

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12.3. The relationship between Organization and UO under these Terms of Use is that of independent contractors. Nothing in these Terms of Use shall be deemed to constitute a partnership, agency, joint venture or contract of employment between Organization and UO. Neither Party will have any power or authority to bind the other Party in any transaction with a third party.
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