OBJECTIVE

The quality of education depends largely on the qualifications and competencies of the faculty. The Faculty Development Program (FDP) seeks to upgrade the academic qualifications of tertiary faculty to masters and doctorate degree levels. It is expected that through this program, improved faculty qualifications and teaching methods will contribute directly to better student learning which in turn would translate into higher passing rates in professional licensure examinations and greater productivity of graduates.

COMPONENTS

The Faculty Development Program Scholarship Grants are for:

- Non-Thesis Master's Degree Program
- Masters Degree Program with Thesis
- Full Ph.D. Program (Local)
- Ph.D. Sandwich Program (Foreign)
- Continuing Professional Education (Non-Degree Program)

PRIORITY FIELDS

The grant shall be in the following priority fields and shall be conducted in the identified delivering higher education institutions (DHEIs):

- ENGLISH
- NATURAL SCIENCES
- MATHEMATICS
- SOCIAL SCIENCES
- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/SYSTEMS
- ENGINEERING
- AGRICULTURE & MARINE SCIENCES
- ENVIRONMENT & RELATED PROGRAMS
- HUMANITIES & COMMUNICATION
- HEALTH & RELATED PROGRAMS (Basic Sciences e.g. Pharmacology, Microbiology, Biochemistry)
- OTHER COE/COD DISCIPLINES
- OTHER PRIORITY FIELDS TO BE IDENTIFIED BY THE COMMISSION

PRIVILEGES

The scholarship shall provide the following:

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QUALIFICATIONS

The faculty applicant MUST:

A. Be a Filipino citizen and not more than 47 years old for the masters degree program and not more than 45 years old for the PhD program;
B. Be a full-time faculty member with at least 12 units of teaching load in a public or private HEI in the country;
C. Be currently teaching any of the identified priority fields;
D. Have no master’s degree/doctorate degree in the priority field applied for;
E. Have good academic record;
F. Be in good health and of good moral character;
G. Have no pending criminal/administrative charges or must not have been convicted for violation of any Philippine Law (Certification must be obtained from appropriate agencies); and
H. Have no other scholarship at the time of application. Application for joint scholarships may be considered provided there is no duplication of privileges and benefits.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

A. Non-Thesis Masters Degree Program, Masters Degree Program and the Full PhD Local Program:

1. Candidate must secure admission in any of the identified DHEIs and upon admission into the graduate program of the said DHEI, submit the following papers directly to the contact person/program coordinator:
   a) Accomplished Application Forms;
   b) Recommendation of the department head/chair with the approval from the head of the Sending Higher Education Institution (SHIEI) and with attached certifications;
   c) SHIEI’s Institutional Faculty Development Plan;
   d) In case of full time Contractual/Probationary faculty, Retiring Agreement (RA) indicating SHIEI’s commitment to rehire the faculty scholar to return service after completion.
   e) Transcript of Records;
   f) NSO authenticated Birth Certificate;
   g) Medical Certificate issued by a government physician (within the last six months); and
   h) NBI Clearance issued within the last six months.

2. The DHEI forwards to CHED-FDP Secretariat the documents of faculty applicants who have passed institution’s admission requirements.

3. CHED evaluates and approves the final list of qualified applicants then sends the Information and Scholarship Contracts (to be executed by the approved applicant and the head of the SHEI) to the DHEI.

4. Faculty applicants approved by CHED must submit the accomplished Scholarship Contract with the CHED and the school/university where he/she is currently employed.

B. For the Ph.D. Sandwich Program:

1. Candidate must submit the following documents to the CHED-FDP Secretariat:
   a) Transcript of Records from the University where the student is enrolled in the Ph.D. program;
   b) Certification from the Registrar’s Office that he/she has taken and passed the comprehensive examinations, and a Certification also from the Program Department that he/she has successfully defended the dissertation proposal;
   c) Letter of Recommendation for the Grant from the local faculty adviser;
   d) Certification from a University abroad that he/she has been accepted as a research fellow in their Department.
   e) Letter from prospective foreign faculty adviser/supervisor for research that he/she is willing to supervise the Grantee in their department;
   f) Letter from local faculty adviser that he/she is in communication with Grantee’s prospective foreign faculty adviser/supervisor regarding the scope of Grantee’s research work; and
   g) Tentative budget for one year stay abroad including round trip airline, university fee for the duration of the research fellowship, accommodation & meals, inland travel, and other expenses during research.

2. Candidate must pass an interview to be administered by the members of the TWG on CHED-FDP or by a designated group.

3. Once the scholarship grant is approved, the Grantee must sign the usual Scholarship Contract with the CHED and the school/university where he/she is currently employed.

C. For the Continuing Professional Education (Non-degree Program):

1. Proposals for Short-term training programs under the Continuing Professional Education may be submitted by the identified DHEIs or Centers of Excellence in the priority fields or accredited professional associations or specialized training institutions and shall be subject to the evaluation of a Technical Working Group/Screening Committee who will then recommend the meritorious proposal to the Commission for approval.

2. Applications for Post-doctorate program shall follow the procedure for the PhD Sandwich Program.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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