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Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City



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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. <u>013</u>, s. 2013

2015-2016 PHILIPPINE FULBRIGHT STUDENT PROGRAM

TO: OIC, Assistant Superintendents
Education Supervisors/Coordinators
District Supervisors/OICs
Elementary and Secondary School Heads

- 1. Attached is a copy of Regional Memorandum No. 777, s. 2013, dated December 26, 2013, announcing the 2015-2016 Philippine Fulbright Student Program, for the guidance and information of all concerned.
- 2. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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REGION VII, CENTRAL VISAYAS Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City



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2015-2016 PHILIPPINE FULBRIGHT STUDENT PROGRAM

To

Schools Division Superintendents

Officers-in-Charge of Regular and Interim Divisions

- 1. Enclosed is a letter from Director Esmeralda S. Cunanan, Executive Director, Philippine-American Educational Foundation (PAEF), requesting our assistance to disseminate the information re the start of competition for the 2015-2016 Fulbright Graduate Student Program for degree (i.e., master's degree, Ph.D.) and non-degree (i.e., doctoral dissertation research) in the United States beginning December 9, 2013, and in recruiting applicants for the Fulbright Graduate Student Program.
- 2. Applications for these grants will be received by PAEF until March 2014.
- 3. For your guidance and wide dissemination. .

CARMELITA T. DULANGON

Director III
Officer-In-Charge

CTD /EBE, J/lba

Philippine-American Educational Foundation



December 9, 2013

Dr. Carmelita T. Dulangon OIC - Regional Director Department of Education Region VII Sudlon, Lahug Cebu City

Dear Dr. Dulangon:

The Philippine-American Educational Foundation (PAEF, also referred to as the Fulbright Commission in the Philippines) is pleased to announce the start of the competition for the 2015-2016 Fulbright graduate degree (i.e., master's, Ph.D.) and non-degree (i.e., doctoral dissertation research) in the United States beginning December 9, 2013. We request for your assistance in disseminating the information and in recruiting applicants for the Fulbright Graduate Student Program. Applications for these grants will be received by PAEF until March 24, 2014.

Fulbright grants have been awarded since 1948 to nearly 2,000 Filipinos. The purpose of the grants is to enable deserving Filipinos to pursue their fields of study in the United States and develop leaders in their fields of specialization and to contribute to fostering mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the Philippines. Today, Fulbright alumni occupy prominent positions in the government and the private sector.

We have enclosed one (1) set of Fulbright application materials and poster with the request that you give them to interested qualified applicants. Additional competition materials may be obtained directly from the PAEF office and can be downloaded from the PAEF website www.fulbright.org.ph. We strongly encourage interested applicants to check our website and to download the required form. The attached application form may be photocopied.

We look forward to your participation this year. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Esmeralda S. Cunanan Executive Director

Enclosures.

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2015 - 2016 PHILIPPINE FULBRIGHT STUDENT PROGRAM

The objective of a Fulbright grant is to enable qualified Filipinos to pursue their graduate studies in their fields of interest in the United States and develop leaders who can contribute to promoting better understanding between the Philippines and the United States. Applications are accepted from faculty and staff of Philippine universities and professionals from the private and government sectors.

Grants under the Philippine Student Program are for a maximum of one academic year for non-degree, one to two years for master's, and two years for doctoral degree studies. The grant provides for round-trip international travel, monthly maintenance allowance, tuition and fees, book/supply allowance, and health and accident insurance.

Fields of Study

- Study of the United States The study of American culture, life, and society through such fields as government, education, arts and humanities, law, economics, literature, history, the multi-disciplinary field of American Studies or any other humanities or social science field with significant study of the U.S. subject matter.
- 2. Global Issue Fields of study include environment, human rights, civic education, governance and public administration, peace studies/conflict transformation, international relations and transnational issues, international economics, international business, international law, and information and communication technology (ICT).
- 3. Open Grants Fields of study not covered by the first two field categories with the exception of engineering, medicine, nursing, and other health-related disciplines, and applied sciences and mathematics.

General Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Philippine citizenship
- 2. English proficiency
- 3. College degree with major in field of specialization; excellent undergraduate record
- 4. While no medical certification is required at application time, applicants must be in good health to pursue graduate work in the United States. Finalists will be required to pass a medical examination.
- 5. Applicants must have at least two years of professional work experience (after college) in their field of specialization.
- 6. Applicants for degree programs must be no older than 40 years of age at the time of application. This age requirement is waived for non-degree study.
- 7. Applicants must be prepared to return to the Philippines immediately upon completion of their study.
- 8. In addition to the eligibility requirements cited above, non-degree applicants must meet the following:
 - (a) Applicants for doctoral enrichment must be enrolled in a relevant doctoral study program in a Philippine university and must have completed at least two-thirds (2/3) of the academic course requirements of his/her PhD program.
 - (b) Applicants for doctoral dissertation research must be enrolled in a doctoral program, must have a dissertation topic approved at least by his/her adviser, and must show proof that materials required to pursue research are not available in the Philippines but are available in the United States.
- Individuals holding dual (Philippine-American) citizenship, are permanent residents, and/or are presently studying in the U.S. are not eligible.
- Fulbright alumni who have received awards under the Philippine Fulbright Student Program (i.e., those who pursued master's, PhD or non-degree study) are not eligible for another grant.
- · Students already in the US are ineligible for a grant.
- Individuals who have resided in the US for 5 or more consecutive years in the past six years are ineligible for a grant.

Required Documents

- 1. Official or certified true copy of transcript of records from all colleges/universities attended
- 2. Certified true copy of diploma (NOT ORIGINAL)
- 3. Four letters of reference (forms are provided in the application kit)
- 4. Completed 7-page application form
- 5. NBI clearance acquired in the past six (6) months

NOTE: Standardized test scores (TOEFL, GRE) are not required at the time of application. Documents submitted will not be returned to the applicants.

Application Period: December 9, 2013 to March 24, 2014

FULBRIGHT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR STUDY IN THE UNITED STATES

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE APPLICATION.

INSTRUCTIONS

- All forms in this application, including letters of reference, are to be completed in English and typewritten in black link or printed from a computer. As applications must be photocopied, do not use blue or other colors of ink.
- All pages and parts of the application must be completed and returned to constitute a full dossier. DO NOT ATTACH YOUR RESUME.
- Each page of the following application carries its own instructions which should be read carefully before proceeding.
- Every question must be answered completely and carefully. Please make every effort, however, to limit your responses to the space provided.
- List your choices of university or U.S. geographical area <u>only</u> on the university preferences form. Do not mention such choices or preferences on pages 1 through 5 of this application.
- Completed applications must be received by the Philippine-American Educational Foundation (not postmarked) by 24 March 2014. <u>Incomplete applications will not be considered.</u>
- 7. Applicants must attach complete and certified academic documents (NOT ORIGINAL) covering the entire period of study at universities or other post-secondary institutions. Documents must be accompanied by complete official English translations. All documents submitted become property of PAEF and will not be returned.

APPLICATION

A complete application consists of the following components:

1. APPLICATION FORM

In the first seven pages you will state biographical information, study objectives, curriculum vitae, and other information.

Often specific instructions for completing a question or item will be provided in the application. Please read all instructions carefully. In addition, please review the following important information.

Item 1 - Name: It is very important that you list your name exactly as it appears (or will appear) on your passport.

Item 12 - Institutions Attended: Please list all post-secondary institutions attended in reverse order (putting the most recently attended first). List all post-secondary institutions attended even those from which you did not achieve a degree.

Item 24 - Study/Research Objective: The study/research objective description that you provide is an essential and highly important part of your application. You should take great care to write a clear and very detailed description of the program you want to pursue. Clearly identify the area(s) within your field of study in which you want to specialize or concentrate. If there is specific research that you want to accomplish, please describe. An unclear, incomplete, or overly brief statement can diminish your chances for a Fulbright award.

Item 25 - Personal Statement: The personal statement is a <u>narrative</u> statement in which you can include information about your education, practical experience, special interests, career plans, and your purpose in applying for study in the U.S.

Page 7 - University Preferences: Please note carefully, it is not an expectation that you will have U.S. university preferences. However, if you do, please be specific. Do not just list the name of a university. Provide the name of the department and the specific program within that department in which you are interested. If you have been in contact or correspondence with a faculty member, please provide the name and contact information for that individual. You can also use this form to provide other information that is important to you, e.g., climate, large vs. small institution, urban vs. rural location, etc.

If you have applied to a U.S. university within the past three years, please list the programs and the results. If you have letters of admission, letters of invitation, or other correspondence from a school, especially a

preferred program, please forward a copy (not the original) of this correspondence to the PAEF Office.

2. SUPPLEMENTAL FORM

Letters of Reference/Recommendation: You must have <u>four</u> letters of reference (or recommendation) submitted on your behalf. Letters of reference are extremely important. All letters of reference should be written by teachers under whom you have studied or pursued research or by someone who has supervised you in work related to your proposed field of study. Letters of reference should not be written by persons related to you either by blood or marriage or by personal friends. At least one academic and one professional or work-related letter should be included among the letters. The letters should be written in English and typewritten in blank ink or printed from a computer. Please be certain to ask that both pages of the form be completed.

3. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Transcripts: Applicants must attach official, complete and certified academic documents covering the entire period of study at universities and other post-secondary institutions. Documents must be accompanied by complete official English translations. These documents must consist

- One certified official record (transcript) from each university or post-secondary institution you attended, even those schools from which you did not receive a degree or diploma. These transcripts should list the subjects you studied and the grades you received during each year of your enrollment. Include all post-secondary institutions you have attended, even those from which you did not receive a degree or diploma. Official transcripts must be submitted in sealed envelopes.
- Certified, official evidence of each post-secondary or university degree, diploma or certificate awarded to you should be included as part of the completed application.
- Copy(ies) of original transcript(s) for any course work (graduate or undergraduate) done in the United States must be requested by you from the U.S. institution(s) and forwarded directly to PAEF in sealed envelopes.

4. NBI CLEARANCE

Applicants should be able to submit an NBI clearance secured not earlier than six months prior to application.

YOU SHOULD PROMPTLY INFORM PAEF OF ANY CHANGES IN YOUR ACADEMIC STATUS, CONTACT INFORMATION, OR FUTURE PLANS AFTER THIS APPLICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.



FULBRIGHT PROGRAM

AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT TO STUDY IN THE UNITED STATES THROUGH THE PHILIPPINE-AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

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NOTE: Please limit your response to the space provided. Do not use ALL UPPER CASE letters.

NAME OF APPLICANT:

25.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

This personal statement should be a narrative statement describing how you have achieved your current goals. It should not be a mere listing of facts. It should include information about your education, practical experience, special interests, and career plans. Describe any significant factors that have influenced your educational or professional development. Comment on the number of years of practical experience already completed in the field in which academic work will be done in the U.S. Do not name specific U.S. universities at which you would like to study.

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NAME OF APPLICANT:

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RESUME / CURRICULUM VITAE

Your professional resumé or curriculum vitae should give a complete and accurate account of your academic and work experiences and provide a good quality of depth to showcase them. Kindly avoid providing too much information and limit your resumé or curriculum vitae to the space provided below.

NOTE: Do not use ALL UPPER CASE letters.

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APPLICATION FOR STUDY IN THE UNITED STATES

CONFIDENTIAL LETTER OF REFERENCE

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