



Republic of the Philippines  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
**COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION**



**MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHAIRPERSON**

**TO : Presidents/Heads of Public and Private Higher Education Institutions  
CHED Regional Directors**

**SUBJECT : CALL FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS FOR CENTERS OF  
EXCELLENCE AND CENTERS OF DEVELOPMENT IN THE DIFFERENT  
DISCIPLINES**

**DATE : April 10, 2015**

In accordance with pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7722, otherwise known as "The Higher Education Act of 1994", and for the purpose of establishing Centers of Excellence (COEs) and Centers of Development (CODs) that serve as potent catalyst in specific program areas needed for the development of world-class scholarships, nation building and national development, all qualified higher education institutions (HEIs) are invited to submit their applications to become a COE/COD in a particular discipline.

All applications should be submitted to the Commission through the CHED Regional Offices (CHEDROs) on or before the following dates:

Applications for Renewal	<b>April 30, 2015</b>
New Applications	<b>May 15, 2015</b>

The CHEDROs shall forward all applications to the Office of Programs and Standards Development (OPSD) immediately after receipt to give ample time for the various CHED Technical Panels and Technical Committees to undertake the evaluation. Only applications with complete supporting documents shall be given due course.

The implementing guidelines which include the criteria and the process of selection and identification of COES/CODs for the different disciplines are listed in the attached ANNEX and the contents can be downloaded from the CHED website ([www.ched.gov.ph](http://www.ched.gov.ph)). The general criteria based on CMO No. 55, s. 2006, the existing guidelines specific to the disciplines with corresponding CMOs and the new CMOs containing amendments shall be adopted in the evaluation of the applications. A modification in the procedure for evaluation particularly on the requirement for ocular inspection shall be conducted on a case-to-case basis as may be necessary, and verification and validation conference shall instead be conducted with the officials of the applicant HEIs.

The CHEDROs are enjoined to disseminate this Memorandum to allow potential HEIs to submit their applications on or before the set deadline.

For immediate and wide dissemination.

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Commissioner

Officer-in-charge, Office of the Chairperson

April 6-17, 2015

**ANNEX – IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES FOR THE SELECTION OF CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE AND CENTERS OF DEVELOPMENT IN DIFFERENT DISCIPLINES**

<b>IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES FOR THE COEs/CODs PROJECT</b>	<b>CHED MEMORANDUM ORDERS</b>
<b>General Guidelines: Revised Polices and Standards</b>	CMO No. 55, series of 2006
<b>Agriculture Education</b>	CMO No. 51, s. 2007 and CMO No. 06, s. 2015
<b>Business and Management</b>	CMO No.10, s. 2007
<b>Criminology</b>	CMO No. 48, s. 2006
<b>Engineering Education</b>	(to follow)
<b>Health Professions Education</b>	CMO No.17, s. 2006
<b>Humanities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English</li> <li>• Filipino</li> <li>• Foreign Language</li> <li>• Literature</li> <li>• Music</li> <li>• Philosophy</li> </ul>	CMO No. 28, s. 2012 and CMO No. 07, s. 2015 CMO No. 27, s. 2012 CMO No. 26, s. 2012 and CMO No. 08, s. 2015 CMO No. 25, s. 2012 and CMO No. 09, s. 2015 CMO No. 24, s. 2012 and CMO No. 10, s. 2015 CMO No. 23, s. 2012 and CMO No. 11, s. 2015
<b>Information Technology Education</b>	CMO No. 19, s. 2006
<b>Science &amp; Mathematics</b>	CMO No. 55, s. 2006 and CMO No. 12, s. 2015
<b>Social Science &amp; Communication</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anthropology</li> <li>• Broadcasting</li> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Journalism</li> <li>• Political Science</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Social Work</li> </ul>	CMO No. 45, s. 2012 CMO No. 39, s. 2012 CMO No. 19, s. 2012 and CMO No. 13, s. 2015 CMO No. 30, s. 2012 CMO No. 20, s. 2012 and CMO No. 14, s. 2015 CMO No. 29, s. 2012 CMO No. 16, s. 2012 and CMO No. 15, s. 2015 CMO No. 32, s. 2012 CMO No. 52, s. 2012
<b>Teacher Education</b>	CMO No. 26, s.2007 and CMO No. 16, s. 2015

