



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



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MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON

**TO : PRESIDENTS/HEADS OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES
CHED CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS**

**SUBJECT : JICA MASTER'S DEGREE IN FLOOD DISASTER RISK REDUCTION FOR
ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022**

DATE : 19 February 2021

The CHED Scholarship Coordinating Committee (SCC) is pleased to invite your institution to nominate a candidate to the Master's Degree Program in Flood Disaster Risk Reduction from 29 September 2021 to 16 September 2022 under the auspices of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

The program aims to develop the participant's capacity to practically manage and mitigate damages of flood disasters in developing countries which suffer from them consistently. It offers full scholarship which covers tuition, accommodation, medical insurance, round-trip airfare, and monthly living allowance. Details regarding the graduate program may be accessed at <http://www.grips.ac.jp/en/> and <http://www.pwri.go.jp/eindex.html>.

In nominating your candidate, we would like to invite your attention to Item A and B of Annex A indicating the GOP and the donor requirements and financial terms relative to the aforementioned program.

Please submit the letter of nomination signed by the head of the institution or duly authorized official together with the required documents on or before **15 March 2021** to the CHED International Affairs Staff (IAS), 2/F Higher Education Development Center, C.P. Garcia Avenue, Diliman Quezon City. If your candidate meets the basic qualification requirements of the program, he/she shall be informed by the IAS of the schedule and meeting credentials for the online panel interview.

For details and queries, nominees may contact the International Affairs Staff through telephone number (02) 8441-0750 and email address <ias@ched.gov.ph>.

Dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III, DPA
Chairman

A. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Philippine Government

- a) Must be 40 years old and below provided the return service obligation is still within the nominee's serviceable years;
- b) Candidate must have rendered at least two (2) years of service;
- c) Must hold a permanent appointment;
- d) Must have a college degree related to the field of study or has sufficient demonstrated ability and experience along the field of study;
- e) Must not have a pending application for scholarship under another program; and
- f) Must have rendered the service obligation required under Executive Order 367 for scholarship recently concluded before he/she could again be nominated for another course where the field of study is different from the previous training.

2. Donor Country

- a) Be nominated by their governments in accordance with the procedures of JICA.
- b) Be technical officials, engineers or researchers who have three (3) or more years of experience in the field of river management or flood disasters in governmental organizations.
- c) Be university graduates, preferably in civil engineering, water resource management, or disaster mitigation, or related department.
- d) Be proficient in basic computer skills.
- e) Have competent command of spoken and written English ---with a minimum test score of TOEFL iBT 79, IELTS Academic 6.0 or its equivalent.
- f) Be judged medically adequate to pursue study in Japan by an examining physician on a prescribed certificate of health. Pregnant applicants are not recommended to apply due to the potential risk of health and life issues of mother and fetus.
- g) Between 25 and 42 years of age as of October 1, 2021.

B. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

1. Nominating Agency will provide the salary of the nominee for the duration of the award
2. Donor Country
 - Full grant

C. DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

Nomination papers to be submitted prior to the screening consisting of the following:



1. A letter of nomination addressed to the CHED Chairman, Attention: Director of the Office of International Affairs, signed by the Secretary or Head of office, agency, university or entity or its duly authorized official indicating among others the following:
 - a. That the nominee has no pending administrative and criminal charges;
 - b. That the nominee has been conferred with a degree;
 - c. Assurance of utilizing the services of the nominee, if accepted for a period of not less than two (2) years of every year of scholarship or a fraction thereof not less than six (6) months or as provided under E.O. 367 amending E.O. 129; and
 - d. That the salary of the grantee will be paid while on training and shall be extended other financial privileges pursuant to the said Executive Order.
2. Certified Copy of Service Record
3. Certified Copy of Statement of Actual Duties and Responsibilities
4. Photocopy of Transcript of Academic Records (Baccalaureate/Graduate)
5. Photocopy of Diploma (Baccalaureate/Graduate)
6. Certification that the nominee has no pending administrative and criminal case
7. Certification that the nominee has no pending scholarship nomination to other program
8. Updated bio-data/resume w/ list of in-service trainings and seminars attended (Spell out acronyms of organizer/s and topic/s or subject/s of the training programs; certificates of training **NEED NOT** be submitted)

