

Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture

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Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyen Hay President Nong Lam University KP6, Linh Trung, Thủ Đức

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Dear Dr. Hay:

The Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) invites applications from your university for MS and PhD scholarships in agriculture and related fields for Academic Year 2018-2019.

Applicants for Master's degree must not be more than 35 years old, while applicants for PhD must not be more than 40 years old at the time of application. Further, the applicants' thesis topics must be aligned with SEARCA's thrusts on inclusive and sustainable agricultural and rural development.

Applicants are requested to submit the following documents (incomplete submissions will not be evaluated):

- 1. Duly accomplished SEARCA Scholarship application form (2 copies);
- 2. Duly accomplished application forms for admission to the Graduate School of any three(3) universities listed in the SEARCA Scholarship application form where the applicant may pursue graduate studies;
- 3. Original transcript of academic records bearing the seal of the University and original signatures of the Registrar or Head of the University. Applicants for Master's degree should submit their original Bachelor of Science (BS) transcript of records. PhD degree applicants should submit their original BS and Masters transcript of records;
- 4. Certificate of employment;
- 5. Updated curriculum vitae;
- 6. Brief description of the research that the applicant plans to conduct for thesis/dissertation. The research topic must fall within SEARCA's priority thrusts on social inclusion, environmental sustainability, and cross-cutting concerns. Details on these thrusts may be found in our website: www.searca.org;
- 7. Passport-size ID picture (2 pieces);
- 8. Certification from a medical doctor that the applicant is in good physical and mental health condition and is fit to undertake graduate studies;

- 9. Official endorsement from the employer; and
- 10. A passing TOEFL score of 550 or IELTS results of 6.0.

Interested parties may submit their applications to the Ministry of Education in your country. Applicants must check the deadlines set by the Ministry to receive/accept applications of SEARCA scholarship. The Ministry will then screen and endorse applications to SEARCA not later than 31 July 2017.

We have also enclosed a one-page scholarship announcement for posting. More information about the scholarship, including downloadable application forms, are available at <a href="http://scholarship.searca.org">http://scholarship.searca.org</a>.

We look forward to receiving applicants from your organization.

Very truly yours,

Gil C. Saguiguit, Jr.

Director

Enclosed: a/s