



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS
Philippine Cultural Education Program

Project Title: POST GRADUATE DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:
Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education (GDCE)
Graduate Diploma in Teaching Arts (GDTA)

In partnership with: DepEd, CHED and selected HEI's

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Implementor-Partner:

- **Region 2** **Isabela State University, ECHAGUE**
- **Region 3** **La Consolacion University Philippines, MALOLOS**
- **Region 7** **University of Cebu, CEBU City**
- **Region 7** **Cebu Normal University, CEBU City**
- **Region 8** **Northwest Samar State University, Calbayog**
- **Region 10** **Xavier University, Cagayan de Oro**

Background and Rationale

In 2001, Sen. Teresa Aquino Oreta sponsored the Republic Act 9155, "An Act Instituting a Framework of Governance for Basic Education, Establishing Authority and Accountability, Renaming the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS) as a Department of Education (DepEd)". The salient feature of the law, as contained in Chapter 2, Sec. 8 indicates. "The KWF, NHCP, RMA, and TNL shall be administratively attached to NCCA, and no longer with DepEd". The program for school arts and culture shall remain part of the school curriculum, but the program for cultural education will be under the purview of the NCCA. The frameworks would cover formal, non-formal, and informal art and cultural education. With this development, NCCA drafted a Cultural Education Plan that serves as a blueprint for developing greater awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the Philippine arts and culture among Filipinos. The plan was structured along the lines of the Medium-term Development Plan for Culture and the Arts.

The plan aims to address several areas of concern raised: that the country's leaders and decision-makers do not give importance to culture as a vital component in national development; that support for cultural development, heritage preservation and promotion, and cultural education has been generally neglected; Among Filipinos in general, there is a lack of understanding and appreciation of Philippine culture and its importance to their lives and to the nation; Cultural education has not been given priority in the country's formal education system; Basic education does not clearly identify and define the basic socio-cultural concepts that need to be taught to students; neither are these defined in the textbooks or instructional materials for the teachers and students; Arts subjects are given less time in the school curriculum compared to the other subject areas; There are not enough qualified teachers of arts and culture in the elementary and secondary levels; Arts subjects are given less time in the school curriculum compared to the other subject areas; Many artistic and cultural organizations, both government and non-government, have cultural education programs but these programs are not designed and implemented in a coordinated manner for greater impact; Textbooks and instructional materials on arts and culture are insufficient; that the media which is seen as a potent tool in cultural education has not been fully explored and maximized.

Given these facts, the plan specifically defined its beneficiaries: primarily are the leaders and decision-makers in both the government and private sectors; secondarily are the students and the youth; thirdly are the teachers; fourthly are the communicators or the media; and fifthly are the general public. To ensure effectiveness of the plan, NCCA agreed to insert and deliver the program in the **FORMAL EDUCATION** (i.e., national level through the DepEd, CHED & TESDA), **NON-FORMAL EDUCATION** (i.e., regional or local level through cultural awareness seminar for the policy-makers and officers of the LGU's and prepared modules the Academy for Local Government), and **INFORMALEDCATION** through EDUCATION through the media. In 2002 the NCCA Board approved

Resolution 2002-007 to support the Operational Expenses of the National Cultural Education Task Force.

For the full implementation of the plan, NCCA Board of Commissioners approved the Resolution No. 2007-104 recognizing the PCEP as the Philippine Cultural Education PROGRAM from being a Philippine Cultural Education PLAN of the NCCA to be funded and operationalized by the Commission.

Since summer of 2008, the NCCA-PCEP, through several conduit-HEI partners nationwide, has been offering a credit-earning post-baccalaureate teacher enhancement program called Certificate Program on Cultural Education (CPCE), in 2010 HEI partners recommended to elevate the program into a Diploma program, CPCE becomes which is now formally known as the Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education (GDCE). After 10-years of implementation, and after the crafting of the new PCEP successor plan 2018-2022 with consideration to the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 20017-2022 the scholarship programs of PCEP shall be adopted formally into a Post Graduate Program by our partner Universities who provided credit units to our scholars.

Since its conception in 2008, the program has graduated more than **5,514**-teacher-scholars from the following institutions:

1. Lyceum of the Philippines University in Manila, NCR
2. Miriam Colleges Foundation in Quezon City NCR
3. University of the Cordilleras in Baguio City, Benguet CAR
4. University of Baguio in Baguio City, Benguet CAR
5. University of Northern Philippines in Vigan City, Ilocos Sur Region 1
6. Isabela State University (ISU) in Echague, Isabela Province Region 2
7. Bulacan State University in Malolos City, Bulacan Region 3
8. La Consolacion University Philippines (formerly University of Regina Carmeli) in Malolos City, Bulacan Region 3
9. Colegio de San Juan de Letran-Calamba in Calamba City, Laguna Region 4A
10. Manuel S. Enverga University Foundation (MSEUF) in Lucena City, Quezon Province Region 4A
11. Palawan State University (PSU) in Puerto Princessa City, Palawan Region 4B
12. Marinduque State College (MSC) in Boac, Marinduque Region 4B
13. Bicol University in Legazpi City, Albay Region 5
14. West Visayas State University in Iloilo City, Iloilo Province Region 6
15. Southwestern University in Cebu City, Cebu Province Region 7
16. Cebu Normal University in Cebu City, Cebu Province Region 7
17. University of Cebu in Cebu City, Cebu Province Region 7
18. Holy Name University in Tagbilaran, Bohol Region 7
19. University of Cebu in Cebu City, Cebu Province Region 7
20. Northwest Samar State University in Calbayog City, Samar Region 8
21. Leyte Normal University in Tacloban, Leyte Region 8
22. J. H. Cerilles State Colleges in Pagadian City, Zamboanga del Sur Region 9
23. Western Mindanao State University (WMSU), Zamboanga City, Zamboanga del Sur Region 9
24. Central Mindanao University in Bukidnon, North Cotabato Region 10
25. La Salle University-Ozamis in Ozamis City, Misamis Occidental Region 10
26. Xavier University Cagayan De Oro in Cagayan De Oro City, Misamis Oriental Region 10
27. University of Southeastern Philippines Davao City, Davao del Sur Region 11
28. Notre Dame of Marbel University in Koronadal City, South Cotabato Region 12
29. St. Paul University-Surigao (SPUS), Surigao Province CARAGA

In the context of culture-based instruction, we envision to strengthen the teacher's capacity' to deliver substantive instruction. Education for all should also mean the ability to shift paradigm to facilitate instruction which is relevant to the needs of the changing times as well as to be responsive to the demands of the industry. Secondly, education should also be focused on research development so that whatever is generated from the field can inform classroom instruction.

Description of the Project



GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN CULTURAL EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION, MAJOR IN CULTURAL EDUCATION (GDCE) SCHOLARS:

Strongly aligned with the program objectives of the Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP), the **24-unit program** offers scholarship opportunities for **15 to 20** region-based public elementary and high school teachers in the **core subject areas** (Languages, Literature, Communication, Mathematics, Philosophy, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences) to undergo intensive training. Designed as an in-service residential program, the scholarship covers a total of **432 hours** (8 subjects for 2

school year) of intensive training designed to integrate functional understanding of the local and national history, culture, heritage and the arts into the core subject areas. It requires its participants to produce researches on local history, reflection papers, and group and individual lesson exemplars on culture-based basic education.

The NCCA-PCEP will cover only the scholarship of the **24-unit (8 Subjects)** post-baccalaureate program divided into Level I and Level II which offers foundation and major courses to enhance the students' understanding of the basic theories, processes and applications of arts, culture, heritage in the culture-based teaching of the basic education curriculum. Courses to be taken are as follows:

GDCE I

- CulEd 200 – Foundation and Pedagogy of Cultural Education*
- CulEd 201 – Re-view of Philippine History and Heritage*
- CulEd 202 – Cultural Diversity and Languages of the Philippines*
- CulEd 203 – Philippine Arts*

GDCE II

- CulEd 204 – Issues in Cultural Education*
- CulEd 205 – Media-Based Cultural Documentation*
- CulEd 206 – Local Cultural Mapping*
- CulEd 207 – Development of Culture-Based Lesson Exemplars*

Other subjects or Units beyond the specified (8) subject titles are not covered by the scholarship. To complete the **Master of Arts in Education, Major in Cultural Education**, we recommend the following course matrix to our partner HEI's:

	COURSE TITLES	UNITS
GDCE Level 1	Core: Culed 200 Foundation and Pedagogy of Cultural Education (Practice-based Pedagogy) (c/o NCCA)	6 units 3
	Culed 203 Philippine Arts (c/o NCCA)	3
	Philippine Concepts: Culed 201 Re-view of Philippine History and Heritage (c/o NCCA)	6 units 3
	Culed 202 Cultural Diversity and Languages of the Philippines (c/o NCCA)	3
GDCE Level 2	Pedagogy / Methodology: Culed 204 Issues in Cultural Education (c/o NCCA)	12 units 3
	Culed 205 Media Based Cultural Documentation (c/o NCCA)	3
	Culed 206 Local Cultural Mapping (c/o NCCA)	3
	Culed 207 Development of Culture-Based Lesson Exemplar (c/o NCCA)	3
MA	Electives: Culed 208 Culture-Based Teaching of the Basic Education Curriculum	6 units 3
	Culed 209 Advanced Education Theories and Pedagogy	3
	Culed 210 Problem Based Learning and Application	3
	Culed 211 Culture and Governance	3
	Research / Thesis: Culed 212 Thesis I: Research in Cultural Education	6 units 3
Culed 213 Thesis II: Writing of Masteral Thesis	3	



MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION, MAJOR IN TEACHING ARTS(GDTA) SCHOLARS:

The NCCA-PCEP will cover only the scholarship of the **24-unit (8 Subjects)** post-baccalaureate program divided into Level I and Level II which offers foundation and major courses to enhance the students’ understanding of the basic theories, processes and application of arts, culture, and heritage in the culture-based teaching of the basic education curriculum. GDTA can apply classroom concepts

in professional settings through internships and independent studies at numerous art organizations in their region. The arts management program maintains academic and professional relationships with many national and regional institutions. Courses to be taken are as follows:

GDTA I

- CulEd 200 –Foundation and Pedagogy of Cultural Education (Practice-based Pedagogy)*
- CulEd-TA 200 – Foundations of Art*
- CulEd-TA 201 – Arts Appreciation and Criticism*
- CulEd 203 – Philippine Arts*

GDTA II

- CulEd-TA 202A - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 1 (Visual Arts)*
- CulEd-TA 202B - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 1 (Literary &Performing Arts)*
- CulEd-TA 203 - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 3 (Specialization)*
- CulEd-TA 204 - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 4 (Specialization)*

Other subjects or Units beyond the specified (8) subject titles are not covered by the scholarship. To complete the Master of Arts in Education, Major in Teaching Arts, we recommended the following course matrix to our partner HEI’s:

COURSE TITLES	UNITS
Core: CulEd 200 –Foundation and Pedagogy of Cultural Education (Practice-based Pedagogy) (c/o NCCA) CulEd 203 – Philippine Arts (c/o NCCA)	6 units 3 3
Theory: CulEd-TA 200 – Foundations of Art (c/o NCCA) CulEd-TA 201 – Arts Criticism and Appreciation (c/o NCCA)	6 units 3 3
Pedagogy / Methodology: CulEd-TA 202A - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 1 (Visual Arts) (c/o NCCA) CulEd-TA 202B - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 1 (Literary &Performing Arts) (c/o NCCA) CulEd-TA 203 - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 3 (Specialization - OJT) (c/o NCCA) CulEd-TA 204 - Apprenticeship and Exploration in the Arts 4 (Specialization - Culminating Project) (c/o NCCA)	12 units 3 3 3 3
Elective Courses EDUC 202: Educational Statistics and Analysis CulEd 210 – Production Management (Problem Based Learning and Application) CulEd 211 – Culture and Governance	6 units 3 3 3
Research/Thesis Courses CulEd 212 – Thesis I: Research in Teaching the Arts CulEd 213 – Thesis II: Writing of Masteral Thesis	6 units 3 3

TERMS OF SCHOLARSHIP

To become successful, scholars must:

1. Must be a Public Elementary and High School teacher of the core subject areas (Languages, Literature, Communication, Mathematics, Philosophy, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences);
2. Passed the PCEP Qualifying Examination administered by the appointed DepEd Coordinator and may be assisted by respective HEI Coordinator of the project in every region;
3. Complete pertinent documents required by PCEP, DepEd & HEI's composed of, but not limited to the following:
 - 3.1 Nomination & Individual Application Form
 - 3.2 Copy of Professional Regulation Commission Identification Card
 - 3.3 Copy of School ID
 - 3.4 Copy of Birth Certificate
 - 3.5 Transcript of Records
4. Passed the University's Entrance Examination (if any);
5. Execute a Scholarship Agreement between NCCA Conduits with the following conditions:
 - 5.1 You shall devote your time to complete the NCCA required units
 - 5.2 That you will pursue and finish the Master of Education Major in Cultural Education or Teaching Arts;
 - 5.3 That you will submit an accomplishment report on professional advancement to the PCEP Secretariat;
 - 5.4 That you will actively participate to all NCCA-PCEP Programs;
 - 5.5 That you will commit yourself to the Graduate Attributes of PCEP such as:
 - 5.5.1 Manifest critical and creative thinking skills
 - 5.5.2 Design culture-based instructional materials
 - 5.5.3 Employ innovative culture-based pedagogy
 - 5.5.4 Inculcate a sense of nationalism and patriotism
 - 5.5.5 Demonstrate expertise in Philippine history, heritage, culture, and the arts
 - 5.5.6 Exercise leadership skills in respective communities
 - 5.5.7 Conduct culturally-relevant research
 - 5.5.8 Initiate national, regional, and global connectedness
 - 5.5.9 Conduct oneself under highest professional and ethical standard
 - 5.5.10 Commit oneself to lifelong learning
6. Shall render service in the country, preferably in your home region for a minimum period of 2 years.

GDCE Nomination Form

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17hHAG-zXqVo1dRTKqgXZ796gBc7aMKP4/view?usp=sharing>

GDCE Application form

<https://forms.gle/qy2d3XS5Xz14AoJF6>

GDTA Nomination Form

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HaQgwKhTaVcryEgpc7oZYdc8WG2lrDLz/view?usp=sharing>

GDTA Application form

<https://forms.gle/MWY44E3WuUdPKqPu6>

MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROSPECTIVE SCHOLARS

CRITERIA	REQUIREMENTS	
	Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education	Master's Program
Age	23 to 50years old*	25 to 55 years old**
Academic Qualifications	Bachelor degree with general weighted average of 85% or equivalent	Must have satisfactorily passed 24 units of Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education accredited by the NCCA
Teaching Experience	At least 3 years teaching experience in any or a combination of academic subjects in a public elementary or high school	At least 4 years of teaching experience in any or a combination of academic subjects
Qualifying Examinations	LET, HEI Graduate Admission Test (If any)	LET, HEI Graduate Admission Test (if any), and NCCA Aptitude Test
Endorsement	By any one of the following: principal, district supervisor, division education supervisor or division superintendent	By any one of the following: principal, district supervisor, division education supervisor or division superintendent
Principal's Certification	Service incumbency of 3 years, Good moral character, with a permanent appointment at the time of application	Service incumbency of 3 years, Good moral character, with a permanent appointment at the time of application

* Priority is given to 23 to 40 years old applicants; 41 to 50-year-old applicants may be shortlisted subject to availability of slots.

** Priority is given to 25 to 50-year-old applicants; 51 to 55-year-old applicants may be shortlisted subject to availability of slots.

*** 75% of the slot must be from the region there is an HEI and 25% slot will be open for applicants coming from different regions / island cluster.

Special Circumstances:

Priority is given to first time MA taker; applicants who already have MA or PhD may be shortlisted subject to availability of slots.

Priority is given to Public School Teacher; applicants from Private Schools may be shortlisted subject to availability of slots.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The programs are administered by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts' Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP) through financial grants extended to accredited and approved State Universities & Colleges (SUCs) or culture-oriented non-governmental organizations (NGOs) partnering with an accredited and approved Higher Education Implementors (HEI).
2. The NCCA, through PCEP, is the highest policy and decision-making body for all administration, appeals, arbitration, monitoring, and evaluation requirements of the program. All local implementation concerns shall be the responsibility of the participating HEIs.
3. The NCCA PCEP shall seek endorsement and/or accreditation by the Department of Education, HEI's to the Commission on Higher Education, and/or other government agencies concerned with the administration of education and cultural programs.

4. Participating HEIs are responsible for the local administration, management, representation, accreditation and coordination of the program, particularly with local DepEd/CHED regional or division offices, local government units, and direct scholar-beneficiaries.
5. All accredited/approved HEI conduit-grantees shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the NCCA, subject to completion and submission of all grant requirements.

ADMISSION AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

1. Continuing HEI conduit-grantees may start the re-entry screening process for old Level 1 graduates as soon as possible. First-time, or Level 1, HEI conduit-grantees in close coordination with their DepEd Regional Offices may start recruiting new program applicants as soon as the MOA has been delivered.
2. HEI conduit-grantees shall be responsible for the processing, acceptance and registration of successful applicants. They shall devise their internal policies and procedures, subject to the general scholarship admission and provisions required by PCEP. Since 2014, non-government HEI's may accept a maximum of five basic education teachers from their university to the program, provided that these teachers will only get free tuition fees and do not enjoy any other support from the same grant.
3. DepEd Coordinator to facilitate and may be assisted by the HEI Coordinator in conducting the **QUALIFYING EXAMINATION** to all scholarship applicants to determine the cultural proficiencies of the applicant – since it's an MA Program, all qualified scholars must have the aptitude to define culture, arts, Philippine history, and culture-based education.
4. HEI conduit-grantees are responsible for checking and verification of all requirements submitted by prospective scholar-participants. Any misrepresentation or falsification of documents submitted for admission shall automatically disqualify the applicant found guilty of such act/s. If the offense is discovered after the applicant has been admitted to the program, the offending scholar-participant shall be automatically dropped from the program and will be required to reimburse the HEI all expenses incurred or paid for his/her participation.
5. The final list of newly-admitted and/or re-entry scholar-participants, including copies of submitted application or re-entry documentation, shall be approved by the HEI based on the prescribed minimum requirements for admission and retention. It reserves the right to further verify the documents submitted by the admitted scholar-participant.
6. Deadline for HEIs to accept new and re-entry applications is on _____. HEIs are required to submit to PCEP the list and documentation requirements of admitted scholar-participants one week before the start of classes or before _____.
7. Actual program implementation should be held for a maximum of one month, including orientation, class instruction sessions, special activities and graduation ceremonies. Inclusive period of the one-month program implementation should be from _____.
8. All accredited/approved HEI conduit-grantees shall secure permit, approval or accreditations from CHED to add major subject on Cultural Education / Teaching Arts for their existing MA in Education Program, and secure new courses approval on MA in Cultural Education.
9. All accredited/approved HEI conduit-grantees shall ensure that GDCE/GDTA Scholars will be considered regular student of their University, to be accepted in the University registry system and be given due credit units to Master's Program in Education major in Cultural Education or Teaching Arts or M.A. in Cultural Education reflected to their Transcript of Record (TOR) after finishing the 24 units.

CURRICULUM AND FACULTY MANAGEMENT

1. Each course module should be taught by ACCREDITED PCEP Instructors, a competent instructor or pool of instructors professionally-equipped or academically-trained and experienced to teach the specific subject. All instructors assigned to teach in the program should be approved by PCEP based on their submitted curriculum vitae or resume detailing the instructor/s' proficiency in the assigned subject module.
2. In case of team teaching, a head instructor should be designated to coordinate the sessions and devise a method in determining the module grade of scholar-participants.

3. The PCEP maintains a list of qualified accredited experts who may be tapped by HEIs as Visiting Faculty to teach any of the core subjects in the absence of local expert-educators within the existing HEI's faculty roster.
4. Instructors assigned to teach subject modules are required to follow the prescribed curriculum, syllabus and program design required by the PCEP, including all session lectures and activities, assignments, and final outputs by scholar-participants. Any class requirement should be thoroughly discussed with scholar- participants. Any deviation or addition to the curriculum and syllabus should have prior approval of the PCEP. The NCCA and PCEP reserve the right to monitor and verify with scholar-participants if the curriculum, syllabus and requirements are followed by the HEIs and their designated instructors.
5. Instructors are required to follow the grading system prescribed in the curriculum and syllabus design. A systematic record of marking scholar-participants' performance in quizzes, tests, and submitted final requirements should be submitted to the program director within two weeks after the subject module's completion.
6. A Program Orientation may be convened by the PCEP before the official start of the program. HEI conduit-grantees are required to send the designated program director or coordinator once a date has been set.

Contact Details

Nominations and application requirements may be coursed through respective HEI and DepEd Coordinators. Directory enclosed.

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