



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
SOCCSKSARGEN REGION

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July 28, 2021

REGION MEMORANDUM  
CLMD No. 132 s. 2021

**GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN CULTURAL EDUCATION (GDCE)  
AND GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TEACHING  
THE ARTS (GDTA)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. The National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), in cooperation with the Department of Education (DepEd), will conduct Year I and II of post baccalaureate in-service teacher enhancement program by cluster in various Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) and their identified Project Coordinators and DepEd counterparts.
2. The Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education (GDCE) and the Graduate Diploma in Teaching the Arts (GDTA) shall be implemented by Notre Dame of Marbel University (NDMU) as the NCCA identified Higher Education Institution (HEI) for these two diploma programs from August 21, 2021 to December 5, 2021.
3. A 24-unit graduate credit program follows a two-summer ladderized curriculum designed for public school teachers of any subject area in the elementary and high school levels. Each phase consists of 12 graduate-level academic credits. Year I scholars are expected to continue/complete their Year II course requirements. Successful graduates of this two-summer program have the option to continue and complete their Master of Education Major in Cultural Education to be offered in HEIs selected by the NCCA.
4. The NCCA shall provide the scholarship grant consisting of full tuition and a Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) stipend to subsidize meals, accommodation and other sundry expenses. The transportation to and from the venue shall be the responsibility of the teacher-scholars and may be charged to local funds subject to the availability and usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. Inquiries maybe addressed to the DepEd Regional Office or HEI nearest to the applicant at the contact details provided for in the program design. The deadline for submission of applications is on or before **August 4, 2021** and Qualifying Exams to be scheduled thereafter. All successful applicants shall be notified on or before August 18, 2021. Class sessions will start on the date fixed by the HEI.



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6. All Schools Division Offices (SDOs) are enjoined to facilitate the dissemination of this scholarship opportunity and encourage teachers to apply.
7. For more information and details of these diploma courses, refer to the enclosed documents:
  - Enclosure No. 1 – NCCA-DepEd MOA
  - Enclosure No. 2 – Program Design
  - Enclosure No. 3 – Program Schedule
  - Enclosure No. 4 – Nomination & Individual Form (GDCE/TA I)
  - Enclosure No. 5 – GDCE Poster for NDMU
8. Query relative to this can be channeled to Regan B. Dagasdas at 09275314498 or at [regan.dagasdas@deped.gov.ph](mailto:regan.dagasdas@deped.gov.ph) and Gerardo Magno at 09051755711 or at [Gerardo.magno@deped.gov.ph](mailto:Gerardo.magno@deped.gov.ph).
9. Immediate and wide dissemination of this region memorandum is desired.

  
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Director III

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Enclosures: As stated

Reference: Letter from NCCA

Allotment: NCCA Funds

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the subject  
CULTURE & ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

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