# SEARCA Graduate Scholarships for Southeast Asians PhD Research Scholarship

### Eligibility

**Priority 1.** Southeast Asian nationals who are enrolled in PhD programs in any of the member universities under the Southeast Asian University Consortium for Graduate Education in Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC)\*.

**Priority 2.** Southeast Asian nationals who are regular staff members of government agencies or non-profit development-oriented institutions, and are PhD students of agricultural universities outside of UC.

#### Research topic

The topic of the applicant's PhD research must be aligned with SEARCA's thrusts of Inclusive and Sustainable Agricultural and Rural Development (ISARD) towards food security and poverty alleviation in Southeast Asia.

Due to the limited amount of grant per scholarship, preference shall be given to researches that are not laboratory-based.

#### **Scholarship Benefits**

Research funds not to exceed USD 4,500 and optional internship at SEARCA for up to two (2) months. For those who will avail of the internship, additional scholarship fund may be allocated to cover local travel expenses, travel and accident insurance, and stipend during the period of internship at SEARCA.



<sup>\*</sup> University Consortium members are Institut Pertanian Bogor (IPB), Bogor, Indonesia; Kasetsart University (KU), Bangkok, Thailand; Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM), Yogyakarta, Indonesia; Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Selangor, Malaysia; and University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB), Laguna, Philippines.

## **Application Requirements**

Applicants must submit the following requirements to SEARCA:

- 1. Filled out SEARCA PhD Research Scholarship application form
- Letter of application for the research scholarship which should be addressed to the SEARCA Director
- 3. Recommendation letter from the Dean of Graduate School of the university where the applicant is pursuing the degree program
- 4. Dissertation research outline/proposal approved by the Advisory Committee and Dean of Graduate School
- Budgetary requirement for the entire research duly attested and recommended by the major adviser and Dean of Graduate School
- 6. True copy of grades for courses taken, certified by the Graduate School
- 7. Letter from the applicant certifying that he/she is not receiving any other research grant from any other institution. If partial funding has been obtained from other sources, applicant must submit a certification from the funding agency indicating the grant amount and items covered by the grant
- 8. Research timetable indicating the activities involved in the research, and the expected date of defense

All other things being equal, priority is given to those not receiving any other research grant.

Applications must be submitted directly to SEARCA. Deadline for filing of application is 30

April (first batch) and 30 September (2nd batch) of every year with grants to be awarded in 15

July and 15 December of same year, respectively.

For questions and further information, contact:

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