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**R E: Call for Applications to the SEARCA Regional Professorial Chair Grants 2019 – 2020**

Please be informed that the Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) is announcing its Call for Applications to the SEARCA Regional Professorial Chair Grants 2019-2020. Each grant provides a total amount of USD5,000.00 and is open to outstanding Southeast Asian academics championing agricultural and rural development in the region.

The following are the guidelines of the SEARCA Regional Professorial Chair Grant:

1. The awardees must meet the following criteria:
  - a. Must be a Southeast Asian national, with tenure and holding an academic rank of not lower than Assistant Professor;
  - b. Must have a PhD in fields related to the advancement of agricultural science and technology and development of rural households/communities;
  - c. Must have proven track record of excellence in academics and/or research in his/her chosen field of specialization within the broad priority thrusts of SEARCA;
  - d. Must have not been a previous recipient of a SEARCA Professorial Chair grant; and
  - e. Must have the official endorsement of the Chief Executive/Head of his/her institution not only on the applicant's academic qualifications but also on his/her good moral character.
2. The following are the Terms of Reference of the grantee:
  - a. Teach at least one graduate course in his/her area of specialization at the university during the year of award;
  - b. Deliver at least one public lecture on the subject of his/her research (which should be aligned with SEARCA thrusts) during the period of award at his/her university;
  - c. Submit copy of his/her public lecture materials to SEARCA upon culmination of the lecture; and
  - d. Submit a manuscript of his/her paper for possible publication by SEARCA.

Nominations following the prescribed format should be received by March 6, 2020. Details of the SEARCA Regional Professorial Chair Grant are accessible through SEARCA's website at [www.searca.org/prof-chair-grants](http://www.searca.org/prof-chair-grants) or you may contact the Graduate Education and Institutional Development Department through telephone (63-49) 536-2290, 554-9330 to 9337 local 2200-2203 or email [mcnc@searca.org](mailto:mcnc@searca.org) or [zar@searca.org](mailto:zar@searca.org).

For information and guidance.

  
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