



EXCERPT FROM THE APPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
**97<sup>th</sup> VSU Board of Regents Meeting**  
**28 April 2020**

Visayas State University  
(by Teleconference)

**Proposed Guidelines on the Graduate Fellowship**  
**Program for Foreign Graduate Students**

The Board passed

**BOR Resolution No. 43, s. 2020**

A Resolution Approving the Proposed Guidelines on the Graduate Fellowship Program for Foreign Graduate Students.

*(attached: BOR approved Guidelines)*

BOARD ACTION : **APPROVED**  
Date : 28 April 2020

Certified True and Correct:

**FRANCISCO G. GABUNADA, JR.**  
*Board Secretary*

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4 Component Campuses

## **Guidelines on Graduate Fellowship Program for Foreign Graduate Students**

### *Eligibility of the applicant:*

1. Must come from South East Asian Nations and South Pacific (Cambodia, Indonesia, Thailand, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam, Malaysia, Brunei, Fiji, and Samoa) and other countries with existing Memorandum of Understanding with VSU;
2. Must be admitted to the VSU Graduate School and start as a new graduate student upon application of the fellowship program. Transferees, continuing foreign graduate students are not eligible; and
3. Must not be older than 35 years of age at the time of admission to the VSU Graduate School

### *Terms and conditions of the Fellow:*

1. Must have a student visa and comply other requirements set by the International office of VSU;
2. Must have a Certificate of English Proficiency for applicants from Non-English speaking countries;
3. Must take full academic load every semester based on the approved Plan of Course Work;
4. Must maintain a Grade Point Average of 1.75 every term;
5. Must finish the graduate degree program within two years for the Master's Program and three years for the Doctoral Program. In the event that she/he cannot finish within the specified period required, she/he has to pay back VSU the full amount spent for his/her fellowship grant within one month after the specified period to finish the degree;
6. Must not accept any kind of scholarship program or any other financial assistance grant and any kind of engagement while enjoying the fellowship;
7. Must conform with Philippine laws rules, regulations and laws of VSU and to such other regulations as may be duly prescribed in connection with the Scholarship Program;
8. Must submit at least one publishable article for Master's and published article in either Science and Humanities Journal, Annals of Tropical Research, Scopus Indexed Journal for Doctor of Philosophy upon graduation; and
9. Must return to his/her country upon completion of his graduate degree program.
10. Must sign a fellowship contract with VSU

### *Privileges of the Scholar:*

1. Free School Fees
2. Stipend of \$ 400/month
3. Thesis/Dissertation support of \$ 1,000 for Master's and \$2,000 for Doctoral (First release - 50%; Second release – 25% and Third release – 25% upon submission of the approved thesis/dissertation manuscript).