

TUA-UC Scholarships Available for Dissertation Doctorate Program for School Year 2012/2013

The Southeast Asian University Consortium for Graduate Education in Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC) is pleased to announce the availability of two scholarship slots in school year 2012/2013 for a three-year graduate program leading to a Dissertation Doctorate Degree at the Tokyo University of Agriculture (TUA), Japan. The scholarship is available only to highly qualified researchers of members of the University Consortium.

The Dissertation Doctorate Program for Agriculture and Natural Resources aims to contribute to the enhancement of agricultural research and development in Southeast Asia through the provision of a TUA-UC scholarship for eligible candidates to be able to complete their doctorate dissertation.

The following are the scholarship eligibility criteria:

1. Must be a researcher with full-time employment at a member institution of the University Consortium;
2. Holder of a master's degree in agriculture or related fields;
3. Has produced at least two peer-reviewed scientific papers in scholarly journals at home or abroad, and has served as first author of at least one of those papers;
4. Must have already made substantial progress in a research project, which will deserve a doctorate degree in three years; and
5. Not more than 48 years of age at the start of the program.

Application and Selection Procedure

1. The applicant must submit an application form, curriculum vitae, dissertation proposal, list of publications, and letter of agreement from the home institution to the UC Secretariat (c/o the SEARCA Graduate Scholarship Department) via email attachment. Original documents must be sent via courier by **15 February 2012**.
2. The TUA makes the final selection of each awardee and appoints a suitable adviser for the candidate; TUA then informs the UC through its Secretariat of the final awardee and his/her assigned supervisor on or before the **end of May 2012**.
3. The UC Secretariat informs the successful candidate immediately. The scholarship awardee will start his/her study program in **July 2012**.

Scholarship Entitlements

The successful scholarship recipient is entitled to the following:

1. One international travel (round-trip) per year for three years for the one-month consultation with adviser at TUA
2. Allowance for one-month food and accommodation at TUA per year for three years

Requirements

Interested applicants should submit the following requirements to SEARCA:

1. Duly accomplished TUA-UC Scholarship Application Form (3 copies)
2. Original transcript of academic records for the BS and MS degrees bearing the seal of the University and fresh signatures of the Registrar or Head of the University
3. Certification of employment
4. A recommendation letter from employer
5. Updated curriculum vitae
6. Brief description of the research the applicant plans to conduct for dissertation.
7. Two copies of passport-size photo of the applicant
8. Certification from a medical doctor that the applicant is in good physical and mental health condition and is fit to undertake graduate studies
9. Proofs of at least two peer-reviewed scientific papers published in scholarly journals at home or abroad; the applicant must have served as first author of one of these papers

The application forms may be downloaded from the UC website at <http://www.uc.searca.org>.

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