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Financial assistance from UGC to university teachers for higher studies- 2019

The UGC provides financial assistance to permanent teachers (probationary and senior lecturers) of the HEIs coming within its purview enabling them to read for MPhil and PhD degree programmes.

Under this scheme, grants will be provided for conducting studies in foreign and local universities. In case of PhDs/MPhils in foreign universities, the selected candidates are eligible to obtain tuition fees and living stipend up to a maximum of 2.0 million per year. However, the total values of the grant will vary with the country in which the expected postgraduate studies are going to be conducted and the assessed funding needs of the candidate.

Locally registered candidates are eligible to obtain the relevant course fees and research expenses as needed within the limit. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis, taking into account the quality of the proposal and its scientific merits, its relevance to the Department at which the applicant is employed and timeliness of the proposal.

The deadline for applications is **10th May 2019**. Applications should be submitted on the prescribed form, furnishing all relevant information/ particulars. A non-refundable application forwarding fee of Rs. 1,500/- will apply to all applications which can be paid by a cheque in favor of Accountant/ University Grants Commission or by crediting directly to the UGC A/C No. 2323287, Bank of Ceylon Independence Square branch or A/C No. 167-1-001-4-3169407, People's bank Town Hall branch and sending the bank slip with your application.

Candidates those who have already obtained funding from the UGC, NCAS, or a government project sponsored by the World Bank, ADB, etc. or any other foreign scholarship given through Sri Lankan Government are not eligible to apply for a grant under this scheme to follow a programme at the same level. Moreover, one cannot get grants from more than one source mentioned above for the same study programme.

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Candidates are required to send the following documents if available along with the duly completed application. If these documents are not available at the time of application, they should be provided at the interview.

1. Registration letter /Placement letter for the intended postgraduate programme or any evidence of communication established with the academic, administrators or professors of the intended University/ Institution.
2. A Letter for certifying the availability of study leave
3. Documentary evidence for the relevant course fees
4. A declaration of other sources of funding for the intended study programme in terms of scholarships, partial funding, tuition fee waivers, living stipend etc. from any foreign or local source.
5. The total budget of the research expenses certified by the supervisor; capital equipments such as computers are not allowed under this category. (only for the locally registered candidates)
6. An executive summary of your research proposal (not more than 500 words)
7. In addition to the above information, the candidates may be requested to submit the Credential of his/her prospective supervisor/s in terms of qualifications and research publications.

If the candidates are intended to follow higher studies in foreign universities, the grant will be approved only for the universities ranked up to 1000 in either one of the following world university ranking systems.

- i. QS World University Rankings
- ii. The Times Higher Education World University Rankings
- iii. Webometrics Rankings of World Universities

Successful candidates should enter into an agreement and sign a surety bond with the HEI concerned as per UGC circulars prior to receipt of funds.

In addition, please note that as per the collaboration between the UGC and Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand, AIT will offer a special tuition fellowship of 25 percent for Masters and PhDs based on the merit of the candidates. (Please instruct the candidates those who are interested in studying at AIT Thailand to contact Mr. Sanjeev Jayasinghe, Director of Advancement and Alumni Affairs in this regard.)

Application form and guidelines can be downloaded from the UGC website www.ugc.ac.lk

Further information or any clarification in this connection can be obtained from the Ms. Prathibha Abeysinghe, Senior Assistant Secretary of the office of the Vice Chairman (Tel: 011-3092449, e-mail: prathibha@ugc.ac.lk, Fax: 011-2686041)

Please bring this to the notice of relevant staff.



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