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Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
ACCELERATED SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Know All Men By These Present:

This Agreement of Scholarship entered into by and among:

The Department of Science and Technology, through the Philippine Council for Aquatic and Marine Research and Development with principal address at General Santos Avenue, Bicutan, Taguig City, represented herein by its Executive Director – Officer in Charge, DIR. CESARIO R. PAGDILAO hereinafter referred to as DOST-PCAMRD;

The **Visayas State University**, with present address at VISCA, Baybay, Leyte represented herein by its President, **DR. JOSE L. BACUSMO**, hereinafter referred to as **"SENDING INSTITUTION"**;

- and -

MS. SENONA A. CESAR of legal age, Filipino and residing at 94 Warner, VSC, Visca, Baybay City, Leyte hereinafter called **GRANTEE**.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, DOST pursuant to its mandate to accelerate the development of high-level human resources needed for S&T activities particularly in research and development and upon approval of the DOST Secretary for the implementation of the Graduate Scholarships in Science and Technology through the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Accelerated Science and Technology Human Resource Development Program (ASTHRDP);

WHEREAS, the Sending Institution desires to provide support to upgrade its manpower resources in order to meet the research and development requirements of the country;

WHEREAS, the Grantee whose education, training and experience as shown in her information sheet hereto referred as "Annex A" and made an integral part hereof, is ready, able and willing to accept the Graduate Scholarships in Science and Technology with all its terms and conditions specified in the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the parties agree on the following:

A. DOST-PCAMRD Responsibilities

The DOST-PCAMRD shall:

- 1. Provide financial support for a duration of three (3) years for PhD.
- 2. Release the financial support allocated to the Grantee through the designated office to cover the cost of graduate scholarship.
- 3. Monitor the academic performance of the Grantee.

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- 4. Have the right to suspend the scholarship privileges based on any of the following causes:
 - 4.1 Failure to meet the General Weighted Average (GWA)/ Grade Point Average (GPA) set by the university and DOST;
 - 4.2 Failure to enroll in the required academic load;
 - 4.3 Failure to enroll at any one term or drops any of her subjects without the approval of the Party of the First Part;
 - 4.4 Failure to submit within the prescribed period any of the following:
 - Copy of Registration Certificate;
 - Program of study including academic courses/load per semester/term as approved by the Program Adviser;
 - Report of grades for academic courses enrolled in;
 - Results of Comprehensive Examination;
 - Dissertation Proposal (Outline);
 - Dissertation Budgetary Requirements;
 - Dissertation Progress Report;
 - Two(2) copies of Dissertation Manuscript; and
 - Final Reports: Diploma, Transcript of Records.

Suspension shall be lifted and financial assistance shall be reinstated only upon compliance of requirements and meeting the academic standards set by the University and DOST-PCAMRD.

- 5. Have the right to terminate the scholarship grant for any of the following causes:
 - 5.1. Willful abandonment of the scholarship;
 - 5.2. Gross misconduct;
 - 5.3. Non-completion of degree within the specified duration of scholarship;
 - 5.4. Shifting to another course and/or transfer to another university without prior approval from DOST.

Termination shall be with refund of the total financial assistance received plus 12% interest.

6. Have the right to modify or amend the terms and conditions of this Agreement as circumstances warrant.

Grantee's Responsibilities

The Grantee shall:

- Enroll in PhD Biology major in Marine Biology at University of San Carlos for her graduate program of study commencing on 1st Semester SY 2011-2012 – 2nd Semester SY 2013-2014.
- Carry the full academic load per term/sem based on the plan of course work/program of study prescribed by the university but not to exceed three (3) years for PhD.
- 3. Conduct her dissertation based on the approved R&D priorities of DOST.
- Maintain good academic standing i.e., the General Weighted Average (GWA) or Grade Point Average (GPA) set by the Graduate School of the university and of DOST.
- 5. Receive the following scholarship privileges during the actual period of study:
 - 5.1 Tuition and other school fees;
 - 5.2 Monthly stipend;

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- 5.3 Book allowance;
- 5.4 Transportation allowance;
- 5.5 Group insurance; and
- 5.6 Dissertation.
- 6. Submit the following reports, duly certified, on the indicated period:
 - 6.1 Copy of Registration Certificate due at the start of the semester;
 - 6.2 Program of study including academic courses/load per semester/term as approved by the Program Adviser immediately after registration, or within the first semester after signing the contract;
 - 6.3 Report of grades for academic courses enrolled in at the end of each semester;
 - 6.4 Results of Comprehensive Examination 2 weeks after the examination;
 - 6.5 Dissertation Proposal (Outline) 2 weeks after approval by the Graduate School;
 - 6.6 Dissertation Progress Report at the end of each semester/term while the dissertation is in progress; and
 - 6.7 Two (2) copies of Dissertation, Diploma, Transcript of Records within one (1) month after graduation.
- 7. Follow the regular schedule of academic course offerings prescribed by the school until she finishes her program within the allotted time;

The Grantee may be allowed to defer her scholarship award for one (1) semester only. She must sign this Scholarship Agreement and the Deferment Form. If after the period she fails to enroll, then this scholarship award shall be forfeited.

- 8. Acknowledge the DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY-PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR AQUATIC AND MARINE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (DOST-PCAMRD) in all reports and publications that may be released in connection with the dissertation;
- 9. Comply with all the graduate scholarship policies while under the supervision and guidance of the DOST-PCAMRD; and
- 0. Render service in the Philippines, preferably in her home region, along her field of training equivalent to the length of time that she enjoyed the graduate scholarship immediately upon completion of her PhD degree.

Any service rendered before the completion of the graduate degree shall not be counted/considered part of the service obligation.

- 11. Refund in full the total financial assistance received plus 12% interest if she fails to render service in the Philippines or have been terminated due to any of the grounds for termination indicated in item A.5 above.
- 12. Seek DOST-PCAMRD permission before leaving the country for official or personal reasons, while still under the scholarship or with service or financial obligation.

Temporary clearance may be issued by the DOST-PCAMRD upon submission of required documents (letter of request, deed of undertaking, etc.) and posting of bond issued by a government insurance company callable upon demand of DOST-PCAMRD.

C. Sending Institution's Responsibilities

The Sending Institution shall:

- 1. Release the grantee from her duties and responsibilities as faculty/employee for the duration of scholarship;
- 2. Maintain a position for the grantee to occupy after completing her scholarship;
- 3. Coordinate with DOST-PCAMRD in monitoring the progress of the grantee;

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4. Ensure that the grantee submits to DOST-PCAMRD semi-annual financial and other reports;

5. Require the grantee to render return service equivalent to the length of time that the scholar enjoyed the scholarship – one year of service for every year of scholarship or a fraction thereof;

6. Give priority to the grantee, upon return from scholarship, in providing incentives or in the

promotion of personnel;

7. Provide the full salary of the grantee in the duration of her scholarship; and

8. Reimburse DOST-PCAMRD the total financial assistance release to the scholar in case the sending institution recalls the scholar without valid reasons and prior notice to DOST-PCAMRD.

In witness hereof, the Parties hereto sign this Scholarship Agreement on this 2 6 26 log lof 2011 in the municipality of _______.

resident, VSU

SENDING INSTITUTIO

CESARIO R. PAGDILA OIC- Executive Director, DOST-PCAMRD

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VIRNA G. SALAC Witness (DOST-PCAMRD) SENONA A. CESAR Scholar GRANTEE

GRANTEE WITNESS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)

Province of BANDSLAGUNA

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In witness thereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and notarial seal on the date and place above written.

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