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REVISED GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SKILLS-FOR-EMPLOYMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (SESP)-PHASE II

In response to the clamor to make the scholarship in degree courses more accessible to the intended beneficiaries, particularly the dependents of the deceased and permanently disabled overseas contract workers, the implementing guidelines of the Skills-for-Employment Scholarship Program Phase II is hereby revised.

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Nature of the Program

The SESP Phase II provides scholarship in collegiate courses leading to baccalaureate degrees not exceeding five (5) years of program of instruction to less fortunate and deserving dependents of overseas contract workers.

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Objectives

To alleviate the financial condition of less fortunate overseas contract workers by providing opportunity for college education to their deserving dependents and placement assistance after graduation.

III

Coverage

The program shall be made available to target program beneficiaries in the following order of priority:

- 1) Dependents of deceased OCWs
- 2) Dependents of OCWs who sustained work-related inquiries at the jobsite and were rendered permanently disabled

Dependents as used herein shall be limited to OCWs' legal children, who are single and not more than 21 years of age.

The number of grant recipients and their respective courses and school/s shall be determined solely by the Scholarship Committee in accordance with the program budget as approved by the Board of Trustees.

IV

Qualifications

Applicants/nominees for scholarship must possess the following qualifications:

- 1) Must be a Filipino citizen
- 2) Must be single
- 3) Must be of good moral character
- 4) Must be physically and mentally fit
- 5) Must be deserving
- a) Must belong to the top ten (10) of the graduating class.
- b) High School graduate nominees must have a general average of not less than 85% in fourth year high school.

Nominees in the collegiate level must have a general weighted average of 85% or its equivalent and must not have obtained an incomplete grade or failing grade in any subject.

- c) Must pass the competitive entrance examination to be given by the designated college or university.
- 6) Must belong to a family with an aggregate income not higher than the poverty threshold as determined by NEDA at the time of application and place of residence of the applicant.

The poverty threshold schedule by region is appended hereto as Annex A*.

- 7) Must be willing to enroll in any of the courses prescribed by the program.
- 8) Must be a full-time student.

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Requirements

- a) accomplished application form
- b) ID picture 2" x 2" (2 copies)
- c) birth certificate duly authenticated by the local civil registrar
- d) police clearance/Barangay certification of good moral character
- e) high school card/college transcript of records
- f) Certification by Principal/Registrar as to applicant's rank in the graduating class,
- in the case of fourth year high school applicants
- g) medical/health certificate issued by government physician
- h) OCW's death or permanent disability certificate
- i) employment contract with DOLE or POEA stamp or seaman's service record book in the case of seamen
- j) proof of OCW's Welfare Fund Contribution to OWWA or any of the following:
 - official receipt of welfare fund contribution
 - certification from the Social Benefits Division of burial/disability benefits received from OWWA
 - Travel Exit Pass (TEP) or Overseas Employment Certificate (OEC)
 - OCW's Info Sheet
 - OWWA I.D.