Service Obligation

A scholar, immediately upon completion of his/her degree program, shall return to the Philippines to render service physically on a full-time basis in his/her sending institution, preferably along his/her field of specialization, for a period equivalent to twice the length of time that he/she enjoyed the MS/PhD scholarship.

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

Other Conditions

This scholarship program will adopt the existing policies on foreign scholarships implemented by DOST-SEI;

The qualified applicant will pursue MS or PhD Program on a full-time basis for a maximum period of 24 or 36 months, respectively;

Officially enroll as full-time graduate student;

Not avail or enjoy any other scholarships;

Must have a full-time commitment to the scholarship and must not engage in any form of employment during the scholarship period;

Be willing to render the required service obligation equivalent to the length of time the scholar enjoyed the scholarship-two years of service for every year of scholarship or a fraction thereof;

Non-completion of degree or failure to render service, preferably in his/her sending institution, may be a ground for refund in full the total financial assistance received with 12% interest to the DOST-SEI; and the salaries and other remunerations, if there is any, to his/her sending institution; and

Fulfill the conditions set down by the Parties for the implementation of the PhilFrance DOST Fellowship Program in accordance with regulations and the existing academic calendar in both countries.

Documentary Requirements

- Application Form
- Birth Certificate (Photocopy)
- Certified True Copy of the Official Transcript of Record
- Endorsement from the two former professors in college (For MS applicant) or two from professors in the MS Program for applicant pursuing a PhD program
- If employed:
  - Recommendation from Head of Agency
  - Permission to take a leave of absence (LOA) while on scholarship
- Medical Certificate as to health status and fitness to study from a licensed physician with his/her PRC license number indicated
- Valid NBI Clearance
- Program of Study
- Budgetary Requirements (with supporting document for bases of rates used)
- Re-entry Plan, narrative

Where to submit

Applications must be submitted online at

http://philfrance-scholarships.com/

Deadline for Filling of Applications: March 16, 2020

Email inquiries to: philfrancedostscholarship@gmail.com
The Department of Science and Technology-Science Education Institute (DOST-SEI) announces the availability of the PhilFrance DOST Fellowship Program. The program aims to foster the mobility to the French Republic of Filipino professionals working in academic, research or government institutions selected jointly on the basis of academic excellence to pursue a Master’s or Doctorate degree in public higher education establishments under the Ministry of National Education, Higher Education and Research of the French Republic.

### Criteria of Eligibility

An applicant must—

1. be a Filipino citizen;
2. not be more than 45 years old at the time of application;
3. be in good health condition;
4. hold a higher education diploma recognized by the Philippine Government allowing enrolment in the host course in the French Republic;
5. demonstrate an excellent academic level;
6. demonstrate the knowledge or expertise required to carry out higher studies within the host establishment in the French Republic;
7. pass the admission requirements for graduate studies in any of the public universities in France; and
8. pass the interview and other screening procedures.

*Note: No lateral entrant shall be considered*

### Priority fields of study

- Agriculture
- Biological Science
- Climate Change
- Forestry
- Health and Medical Research
- Material Science
- Natural Resources and Environment
- Nuclear Application on Health
- Veterinary Science

The scholar shall receive the following financial assistance while on scholarship until completion of their degrees:

**From the DOST-SEI**

- Monthly living allowance (rate will depend on the place of study);
- One round-trip economy fare from residence to place of study (one-time only in the whole duration of the study);
- Relocation allowance; and
- Pre-travel expenses.

**From the French Embassy**

- University registration fees;
- Healthcare package throughout the stay in the French Republic;
- Visa fees; and
- Priority access to student housing facilities.

### Study Placement

A scholar must enroll in public higher education establishments under the Ministry of National Education, Higher Education and Research of the French Republic.

### Selection Procedure

An applicant goes through the following selection procedure:

- **First Level Screening:** Documentary evaluation of the form and other requirements by the French Embassy and DOST-SEI
- **Second Level Screening:** Evaluation of research topic and re-entry plan by the concerned DOST Council
- **Third Level Screening:** Interview by a panel composed of the SEI Director with representatives coming from the French Embassy, DOST Councils and other relevant DOST agencies