

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

in DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Program Description

The PhD in Development Studies is a program which equips students to look at development issues and problems from a multidisciplinary point of view. Students with substantive background in Social/Behavioral Science (Sociology, Anthropology and Political Science), Economics, Public Administration, Development Management and Development Education may qualify.

Program Educational Objectives

In line with the University Mission Statement, the program is designed to:

1. Mold students to become development practitioners and theoreticians
2. Enhance students' competence in program planning and project management
3. Strengthen students' research capabilities and competencies in dealing with

social changes and problems.

Admission Policies

A student seeking admission to the program must comply with the following:

1. hold a Master's degree in the Social Sciences, Education or other related fields from an accredited college or university;
 - 1.1. An applicant with a non-thesis MA degree will have to enroll in any of the following:
 - a. six (6) units of integrating courses, one of which requires a major paper on an action research or practicum in the major field as prerequisite to PhD program;
 - b. six (6) units in thesis;
2. have to take the entrance tests of critical thinking and intelligence;
3. have to pass the panel interview; and
4. have to submit other required documents for admission.

Retention Policies

To be retained in the program, the student must:

1. maintain a satisfactory cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 1.75 (90) or better in all subjects taken for the entire duration of the program; and
2. have not incurred a failure in any subject.