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Department of Education
NEGROS ISLAND REGION

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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PHILIPPINE NORMAL UNIVERSITY'S 118th COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

To: Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendent of the Schools Division Office of Negros Occidental
Regional Functional Division Chiefs
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to DM-OULS-2026-337 titled "**Philippine Normal University's 118th Commencement Exercises**" dated August 7, 2026, this Office, through the Human Resource Development Division (HRDD), announces the celebration of the 118th Commencement Exercises of the Philippine Normal University (PNU) with the theme, "Shaping Minds, Leading Futures" on August 14, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. at the Philippine International Convention Center, Pasay City, Metro Manila.
2. Attention is particularly invited to paragraphs 2-8 and the Enclosures of the said Memorandum.
3. For questions or queries, contact Katherine Y. Sedillo, Chief Education Supervisor at 09156195574 or Alan D. Bautista, Education Program Supervisor at 09159325633 of the Human Resource Development Division.
4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl: As stated
Reference: DM-OULS-2026-337
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects

SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAMS QUALIFICATIONS

ADB/HRDD-RM-Philippine Normal University's 118th Commencement Exercises

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Republic of the Philippines
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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM
DM-OULS-2026- 337

TO : **Regional Directors (NCR, NIR, Regions I, III, IV-A, X, and CARAGA)**
Schools Division Superintendents
School Heads
All Others Concerned

FROM : *Carmela C. Oracion*
CARMELA C. ORACION
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **PHILIPPINE NORMAL UNIVERSITY'S 118TH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES**

DATE : August 7, 2026

1. The Philippine Normal University will celebrate its **118th Commencement Exercises** with the theme, **"Shaping Minds, Leading Futures"** on **August 14, 2026**. The ceremony will start at **2:00 PM** at the **Philippine International Convention Center, Pasay City, Metro Manila**.
2. **Scholars of the Linking Standards and Quality Practice (LiSQuP)** program who completed their respective credentials and degrees are part of the commencement exercises. Last Academic Year (A.Y.) 2024-2025, the scholars received various credentials such as graduate certificates and diplomas, and postgraduate certificates and diplomas. For A.Y. 2025-2026, some LiSQuP scholars are likewise receiving their academic degrees as well as graduate and postgraduate diplomas, as indicated in the *Table 1* below.

LiSQuP Scholars Completion and Graduation Data for A.Y. 2025 – 2026

Credential Completed / Degree Program Earned	Academic Term, A.Y. 2025 - 2026	
	Term 2	Term 3
Doctor of Philosophy	1	0
Master of Arts	1	1
Postgraduate Diploma	2	0
Graduate Diploma	4	0
TOTAL	8	1

3. The per-term lists of scholars who are credential completers and degree earners under the LiSQuP Program are provided in **Enclosure 1** (Credential Completers / Degree Program Earners for Terms 2 and 3, A.Y. 2025-2026.)

4. Transportation, per diem, and other incidental expenses of scholars who receive confirmation to attend the ceremony shall be charged against School/Division MOOE and other local funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations. However, this provision excludes any guests they may bring along, which means their expenses will not be covered.
5. Regional Offices shall have the authority to determine and approve the appropriate duration of travel for participants, particularly for those who require extended travel time due to distance or other logistical considerations.
6. LiSQuP scholars who have resigned from or have been separated from the Department of Education (DepEd) by any means will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony, unless they have fully settled their financial obligations with DepEd, in accordance with **OM-OUHROD-NEAP-2023-0601 titled Non-Completion of Linking Standards and Quality**.
7. Moreover, the list of DepEd Officials and Personnel invited to the LiSQuP scholars' graduation-completion is provided in **Enclosure 2**.
8. The **No Disruption of Classes Policy** shall be strictly observed at all times.
9. For any further information or concerns, please contact the NEAP Scholarship Secretariat via email at scholarships@deped.gov.ph or by phone at (02) 8715-9919.
10. For immediate dissemination and appropriate action.



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Enclosure 1

**CREDENTIAL COMPLETERS / DEGREE PROGRAM EARNERS FOR
TERMS 2 AND 3, A.Y. 2025-2026**

Term 2, A.Y. 2025 - 2026			
<i>Credential Completed / Degree Program Earned</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>SDO</i>
Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Leadership and Management	Loren, Von Lloyd Ledesma	Region 13	Surigao del Sur
Master of Arts in Early Childhood Education	David, Katrina Huet Nucup	Region 3	Tarlac
Postgraduate Diploma in Science Education	Alo, Jerson Patulada	Region 10	Tangub
Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Leadership and Management	Ferrer, Jr., Ernesto Dabal	NCR	Quezon City
Graduate Diploma in Curriculum and Instruction	Esto, John Wronel Ordanza	Region 10	Valencia City
Graduate Diploma in Curriculum and Instruction	Jardeniano, Jiji Villafranca	Negros Island Region	Negros Occidental
Graduate Diploma in Educational Leadership and Management	Magno, Narcisa Caguioa	NCR	Pasig City
Graduate Diploma in Educational Assessment and Evaluation	Viloria, Reynario Tabuyo	Region 1	Vigan City
Term 3, A.Y. 2025 - 2026			
Master of Arts in Educational Leadership and Management	De Leon, Mildred Mendiola	Region 4A	Calamba City



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Enclosure 2

**DEPED OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL INVITED TO THE LISQUP SCHOLARS'
GRADUATION-COMPLETION**

DepEd Central Officials		
1	Dr. Carmela C. Oracion	Undersecretary for Learning Systems Strand
2	Mr. Joseph G. Dela Cruz	Director IV, NEAP
3	Mr. Michael Joseph P. Cabauatan	Director III, NEAP

Regional Directors		
1	Dir. Tolentino Aquino	Region I
2	Dir. Ronnie S. Mallari	Region III
3	Dir. Alberto Escobarte	Region IV-A (CALABARZON)
4	Dir. Ramir Uytico	Negros Island Region
5	Dir. Arturo Bayocot	Region X
6	Dir. Maria Ines C. Asuncion (OIC-RD)	Region XIII
7	Dir. Jocelyn Dr. Andaya	National Capital Region

NEAP Regional Focal Persons		
1	Ms. Kathleen May M. Bautista	Region I
2	Mr. Bryan L. Vicente	Region III
3	Mr. Jedd P. Guevarra	
4	Ms. Colleen Marhey R. Lacuesta	Region IV-A (CALABARZON)
5	Mr. Alan D. Bautista	Negros Island Region
6	Mr. Ranie Livero O. Villamin	Region X
7	Mr. Owen Niko G. Baylan	
8	Ms. Isidra C. Moral	Region XIII
9	Mr. Richard D. Vidal	National Capital Region

NEAP Scholarship Secretariat		
1	Ms. Marife Morcilla	Chief, NEAP
2	Ms. Rizza Pereyra	NEAP Scholarship Secretariat
3	Ms. Greta Fe Dumallay - Argana	Accountant III, NEAP
4	Mr. Paolo Alinojan	NEAP Scholarship Secretariat



PHILIPPINE NORMAL UNIVERSITY
The National Center for Teacher Education
Office of the University President

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August 3, 2026

HON. JUAN EDGARDO “SONNY” M. ANGARA

Secretary

Department of Education

Attention: Dr. CARMELLA C. ORACION
Undersecretary for Learning Systems
Department of Education

Dr. WILFREDO E. CABRAL
*Undersecretary for Human Resource and
Organizational Development, and Infrastructure*
Department of Education

Dear Secretary Angara:

Greetings!

The Philippine Normal University will celebrate its **118th Commencement Exercises** with the theme, **“Shaping Minds, Leading Futures,”** on **August 14, 2026, Friday**. The actual ceremony will start at **2 PM** at the **Philippine International Convention Center, Pasay City, Metro Manila**. Scholars of the Linking Standards and Quality Practice (LiSQuP) program who completed their respective credentials and degrees are part of the commencement exercises. Last Academic Year (A.Y.) 2024-2025, the scholars received various credentials such as graduate certificates and diplomas, and postgraduate certificates and diplomas. For A.Y. 2025-2026, there are scholars who are finally receiving their academic degrees as well as graduate and postgraduate diplomas, as indicated in *Table 1* below.

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To help the scholars prepare for their travel and participation in the program, **attached herewith are the lists per term of scholars who are credential completers and degree earners** for your perusal.

Table 2. Credential Completers / Degree Program Earners for Term 2 and 3, A.Y. 2025-2026

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Moreover, we hope that the following invited officials and personnel from the Department of Education (DepEd) and National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) listed in *Table 3* may be able to grace the event:

Table 3. DepEd Officials invited to the LiSQuP scholars' graduation-completion

DepEd Central Officials		
1	Dr. Carmela C. Oracion	Undersecretary for Learning Systems Strand
2	Mr. Joseph G. Dela Cruz	Director IV, NEAP
3	Mr. Michael Joseph P. Cabauatan	Director III, NEAP
Regional Directors		
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Should the guests from DepEd have inquiries regarding their participation to the PNU Commencement Exercises, please don't hesitate to contact **Mr. Gerald P. Santos** of the Office of the Vice President for Academics - LiSQuP Project Development Team through Viber (+639266300900) and email (lisqup@pnu.edu.ph). Likewise, confirmation of attendance should also be informed through Mr. Santos' contact details **on or before August 7, 2026**.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,


BERT J. TUGA, PhD
President





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NATIONAL EDUCATORS ACADEMY OF THE PHILIPPINES

Office of the Director

MEMORANDUM

OM-OUHROD-NEAP-2023- 0661

To : **Regional Directors**
HRDD Chiefs
LiSQuP NEAP-R Focal Persons
LiSQuP SDO Focal Persons
Albert Jerome C. Andres
Chief Administrative Officer, BHROD Personnel Division
All others concerned

From : **JENNIFER E. LOPEZ**
Director III
Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Director IV

Subject : **NON-COMPLETION OF LINKING STANDARDS AND QUALITY PRACTICE (LiSQuP) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Date : June 20, 2023

1. Please be informed that Linking Standards and Quality Practice (LiSQuP) Cohort 1 is still on-going and scholars who submit intent to withdraw from the Program should adhere to the stipulations of DM 82, 2020:

(g) "Refund in full to DepEd such sums of money as may have been defrayed by the Philippine government for expenses incidental for having attended the program or course, for failure to comply with any of the foregoing conditions through the scholars' fault or willful neglect, resignation from the service, transfer to other agencies, voluntary retirement or other causes within one's control. For reasons beyond the control of the teacher-participant, the conditions do not apply, provided that all documentary requirements including doctor's certification are met and are acceptable to DepEd."

2. It is clearly stated that scholars who fail to complete the program due to fault or willful neglect, resignation from the service, transfer to other agencies, voluntary retirement or other causes within his/her control must pay the Department of Education (DepED) through the National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) in full.
3. The amount of Doctorate and Master's Degree Program which concerned scholars should settle are as follows:

- PhD Php 150,000.00
- MA Php 120,000.00

4. Payment shall be made through the Schools Division Office Accounting Office. Indicate in the receipt "Payment for LiSQuP Scholarship." Payment will go to the Bureau of Treasury.
5. Scholars who cannot pay in full must make an arrangement with the SDO/Regional Office through a Promissory Note attached in this Memorandum.
6. Scanned copy of the payment receipt or promissory note must be sent by SDO/RO Cashier to NEAP Central Office and RO via email.
7. For clarifications and/or other concerns, please contact **Ms. Rizza A. Pereyra**, LiSQuP Program Focal through email at
8. For your guidance.

[NEAP-PDD/Pereyra]

PROMISSORY NOTE

_____ Date

Scholarship: _____
Program/Course: _____
Amount to be Paid: _____
School: _____
Schools Division Office: _____ Region: _____

For the full amount paid by the National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) for my scholarship, I, _____ of [Address], _____, promise to pay the sum of _____ Php _____ in accordance with the mode and schedule of payment set forth below:

Schedule and Mode of Payment (Check one)

☐ LUMP SUM

The lump sum payment shall be made on [Indicate the date] _____.

☐ INSTALLMENTS

Payment shall be made in installment basis following the schedule indicated below:

#	Schedule/Dates	Amount
Total Amount		

In WITNESS WHEREOF, I set my hand under seal this _____ [day] of _____ [month], 20____ and acknowledge receipt of completed copy of this document.

Scholar's Signature
over Printed Name

Immediate Supervisor's Signature
over Printed Name

Noted:

SDO Cashier's Signature
over Printed Name

SDO Accountant's Signature
over Printed Name

Certified:

Legal Officer's Signature
over Printed Name

SDO/RO Head of Office Signature
over Printed Name