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Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship

APPLICATION FORM 2018/2019

Full name of candidate:

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Course applied:

Option 1: name of course and college

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Option 2: name of course and college

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Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship Information Sheet

Please read the information below carefully before completing the application form

Under the Irish Development Experience Sharing Programme (known as IDEAS), full financial support is provided for one-year full-time post-graduate education for candidates from Vietnam at Irish Higher Education Institutions since 2009. The purpose of the Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship Programme is to provide talented candidates with the opportunity to pursue advanced education and professional development in Ireland in order to contribute to the future development of Vietnam. The Irish Aid Scholarship Programme normally covers: return airfares, full tuition, stipends to cover accommodation and subsistence costs, health insurance and other allowances, in addition to the necessary entry arrangements such as medical examination and visa.

To Apply

Summary of Eligibility Criteria

<i>Vietnamese Citizen residing in Vietnam</i>	
Years of experience:	Minimum 2 years of full time work experience after undergraduate education.
Academic qualification:	Academic qualifications required by your chosen course.
Language proficiency:	English : IELTS: 6.5 overall (Academic), no band under 6 English language requirements can vary across courses and institutions, with some courses stipulating minimum scores in each band. Please check the specific requirements of your chosen course on the course webpage.
Commitment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be able to demonstrate a strong commitment to the development of their home country on completion of studies. - Be able to take up the fellowship in the academic year for which it is offered. - Provide a letter of reference from employer. - Meet any relevant procedural requirements of the Government of Vietnam.

Irish Aid particularly welcomes candidates from ethnic minorities, candidates living with a disability or candidates from disadvantaged groups in Vietnam.

To apply, please fill in the attached application form.

A completed application package should include the following documents listed by order:

1. Your CV (maximum 2 pages).
2. A certified copy of English language certifications.
3. Copy of your passport (details page) and Vietnamese identity card.
4. A certified copy of academic transcript and degree.
5. One letter of reference from your employer.
6. 2 copies of completed application form, available at www.embassyofireland.vn (go to News & Events) should be submitted to the following address **by 15th January, 2018:**
 - Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship Coordinator
 - Embassy of Ireland
 - 2nd floor, Sentinel place, 41A Ly Thai To
 - Hanoi, Vietnam

Failure to provide any of the above documents will render your application incomplete. Short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview. Interviews will be held in Hanoi and/or Ho Chi Minh City in the end of March 2018. Scholarship award winners will be announced by July 2018. Application and supported documents will not be returned to unsuccessful candidates.



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*Please
attach
passport-size photograph
here*

2018 - 2019 Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship Programme Application Form

Closing Date: 15th January 2018

- **Please read the information on the preceding page carefully before completing this application form**
- **Please TYPE to complete the application form**

Section A: Personal Information

1. Please write your name in bold capitals and as written in your passport –if you are holding a valid passport, please attach a copy of the photo page.

- a) Full Name:
- b) What name do you like to be known by? (i.e. your first name or given name).....

2. Contact Details

- a) E-mail address:
- b) Mailing address (*where registered post can be delivered and signed for*):
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- d) Home phone: e) Cell phone:

3. Date of Birth : **4. Place of Birth** :

5. Gender Male Female

6. Ethnicity

7. Family Details

Marital status: Single Married

Number of children (if any): Number of other dependents (if any):

8. Have you convicted of a criminal offence? Yes No

If the answer is Yes, please provide details of the offence for which you were convicted, including the nature of the offence and the sentence received.

9. Emergency Contact

- a) Full Name:
- b) Address:
- c) Telephone: d) Facsimile:

e) E-mail address: f) Relationship to you:

Section B : Education and Qualifications

	High School	Third Level Education	Post-graduate Education
Name and Address of School			
Date of Entry			
Date of Completion			
Certificate/Degree obtained			
Honours and Awards (if any)			

10. Overseas training

If you have attended any relevant educational or vocational training courses abroad, please provide names, locations, times of commencement and completion, and certifications awarded
(Please attach certificates)

11. Other Honours and Awards

State if you previously held a fellowship or other awards for studies abroad from the European Union, United Nations, other governments or development agencies. *(Please attach certificates)*

12. Have you ever applied for an Irish Aid funded study programme? Yes No

If yes, please indicate your application(s) result Successful Unsuccessful

Year(s) of application(s):

13. Have you applied, or are you intending to apply, for another scholarship at the same time as this application?

Yes No

If you answered Yes, provide the full name of the sponsor and the scholarship.

Sponsor:

Scholarship:

14. Required Standard Tests

14.1 IELTS

a) Have you sat an examination in academic English? Yes No

Proceed if the answer is yes.

b) When and where?

c) What is your overall score?

(English language requirements can vary across courses and institutions, with some courses stipulating minimum scores in each band. Please check the specific requirements of your chosen course on the course webpage).

(please attach original transcript of results)

Section C: Proposed course

In this section, candidates should list the programme title and college for your first and second choice taught Masters courses. Candidates are required to specify a particular course and college in each case, not give a general course type. Courses selected must be from the Irish Aid IDEAS Directory of Eligible Postgraduate Courses (available for download from www.embassyofireland.vn).

Candidates should ensure that they hold the specified qualifications and academic grades for the academic courses intended applying for. These can be found in the directory and on the relevant college website. It is candidate's responsibility to ensure that their academic qualifications and English language abilities are of sufficient standard for their chosen course.

Please choose your courses carefully. Candidates will not normally be permitted to revise their choices after submission, unless a programme does not run.

Courses must begin no earlier than July 2017.

Note: Masters degrees by research are not eligible for the programme. Part-time courses are not eligible for this programme.

First Course Choice

Name of Educational Institute:

Full title of Course:

Course Code: (if available)

Course start date: ... / ... (Month/Year) Course Duration:

Second Course Choice

Name of Educational Institute:

Full title of Course:

Course Code: (if available)

Course start date:.... / (Month/Year) Course Duration:

Section D: Statement of intent

15. Please set out how you intend to contribute to the development of Vietnam and the achievement of the Irish Aid country strategy objectives in Vietnam? Why do you want to pursue your nominated

course? How will you use the knowledge and skills acquired through your proposed course when you return to work? (no more than 500 words)

16. Please describe your two most significant achievements in both your professional and social activities to date. (no more than 300 words for both examples)

Candidates should be specific about the context, task or project e.g. why it was important, how they went about it, what their specific role or contribution was and the impact or outcome.

Example 1 (300 words)

Example 2 (300 words)

Section E: Employment and Professional Information

17. Employment History

For each position you have held whether as an employee, student or volunteer (*Attach an extra page if necessary*)

Employment History	
Name and Address of Organisation	
Type of organisation	
Name of your Supervisor	
Contact details: Telephone Facsimile E-mail	
Date of your entry	
Date of your leaving	

Position(s) and Responsibilities (<i>if you have more than one position to state, start with the most recent one</i>)	
Most significant achievement	
What you learnt in this job	
Reasons for leaving	

Section F: Declaration

I am in good health and, if accepted for an Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship, will undertake the necessary medical examinations and provide the required medical certificates.

I understand the purposes for which the Irish Aid IDEAS Scholarship is awarded and the necessity to abide by the conditions specified.

I understand and accept the requirement to contribute to the sustainable development of my country on completion of my studies.

I give my permission for information and documents submitted as part of my application to be shared with (i) the managing agency for Irish Aid Fellowships, (ii) the consultant for Irish Aid's fellowship selection process, and (iii) appropriate staff of my nominated Higher Education Institutions, as required, regarding any course applications and place offers.

I understand that when my application form is received, a record is created in my name, which contains much of the personal information I have supplied. I understand that this personal record is used solely in processing my candidature and that such information held is subject to the rights and obligations set out in the Data Protection Acts, 1988 and 2003.

I certify that all the information I have given is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Date: