



# 2020 Intensive English Language Program (Non-Degree)

The United Board and Miriam College are pleased to announce that applications are now open for the 2020 Intensive English Language Program (IELP). The seven-week program will run from **June 29 - August 14, 2020** and will be administered and hosted by the Miriam College, Quezon City, Philippines.

This program is designed for faculty members or administrative staff with **lower-intermediate to intermediate** level of English. It aims to improve the English language proficiency in academic and professional settings, and advance the listening, speaking, writing and reading skills.

Miriam (formerly Maryknoll) College is a premier women's college in the Philippines founded in 1926. It offers programs at the basic, tertiary, post-graduate, and adult education levels. The institution supports specialized centers engaged in curriculum development, research, community outreach, and advocacy in the fields of peace education, environmental studies, and women's empowerment. For more details, please visit <u>http://www.mc.edu.ph/</u>.

## **Eligibility**

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Under 40 years old at the time of application
- Currently employed full-time at one of the United Board network institutions
- Have at least 2 years of service at the home institution
- In good health condition and physically able to participate (participants should submit a health certificate to Miriam College a month prior to the program)
- $\bullet$  with adequate English proficiency (equivalent of a TOEFL score of 450 or an IELTS level of 4 4.5)

# **Application**

A complete application shall include:

- Online application form (<u>https://forms.gle/5oANJBusntsAFGu89</u>)
- Endorsement letter from the head of the institution or senior management
- Resume
- Certificate/Proof of previous English training or testing, if any

## Scholarship Coverage

Successful candidates will be entitled to a scholarship which will cover the following:

- Tuition fee
- Double-occupancy accommodation for the duration of the program
- Meals throughout the program

#### Important Notes:

- *i.* Participants are encouraged to shoulder the airfare at their own cost or with support from their home institution. This cost-share is to ensure shared responsibility and coownership of this enhancement program. Limited travel subsidy may be available upon request for those with demonstrated financial difficulties. Participants can receive, at most, a reimbursement of 80% of the actual airfare, with a maximum limit of US\$520. Please note that only the economy round-trip air tickets between the home institution's city and Manila for the duration of the program will be considered for the travel subsidy. Participants are encouraged to request their home institutions for travel support before requesting any travel subsidy from Miriam College.
- *ii.* The scholarship does not cover expenses for passport and visa application, visa extension, ground transportation, excessive baggage costs (beyond 20KG), as well as medical or travel insurance. Participants and/or the home institutions shall fully shoulder these expenses. Participants should prepare at least US\$150 for the visa extension fee.
- *iii.* The scholarship does not cover medical costs. Participants should obtain insurance for travel and prepare to cover medical costs for any pre-existing conditions. Participants are required to send a soft copy of their medical insurance document to Miriam College a month before the program.

Application will be closed on **March 15, 2020**. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an interview and/or a diagnostic test for assessing the English proficiency by Miriam College. Announcement of the application results will be made by the end of April 2020.

You may send your inquiries to Ms. Maricel I. Quinto at llc@mc.edu.ph.