Call for Application: United Board Faculty Scholarship Program 2024-2025

Dear Colleagues,

The United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia (United Board) is pleased to invite applications for the 2024-2025 United Board Faculty Scholarship Program.

The United Board Faculty Scholarship Program aims at helping colleges and universities in the <u>United Board network</u> by supporting their junior faculty to pursue postgraduate degrees.

The United Board normally provides **up to US\$17,000** per scholar per year, depending on the overall budget and available cost-sharing. The scholarship is for full-time degree programs, taught in English, within the Asia-Pacific region but located outside of one's home country. The annual scholarship generally covers tuition, room and board, travel insurance and a modest monthly allowance. The United Board reserves the right to adjust the scholarship amount if the scholar does online studies from his/her home country.

Scholarship applicants may seek admission at institutions within and beyond the United Board network provided they are in the Asia-Pacific and are recognized by their respective governments' regulating agencies. Scholarship applicants are expected to research thoroughly their potential host institutions' academic programs to ensure that these have their particular fields to address the academic needs of their home institutions.

A special note that, the United Board has a joint scholarship with Macquarie University in Australia, available for **four** qualified applicants each year. Applicants are encouraged to consider the graduate programs offered by the Macquarie University.

Eligible institutions with a faculty development plan may nominate up to **three** deserving candidates for the Faculty Scholarship Program. Details on institutional eligibility are in the guidelines.

Applicants must be currently employed as full-time lecturers at the university; have at least 15 years of service before the official retirement; and committed to returning to their home institutions after completing their degree programs. Preference will be given to candidates with at least 2-3 years of teaching experience and service at their home institutions. Applicants should be prepared to participate in a Whole Person Education training in the home country or region. Further details are on page 2 of the guidelines.

The application form and guidelines are available on the United Board <u>website</u>.

The deadline for submission of the online application and supporting documents is **October 15, 2023**. We prefer <u>online application</u>. Interviews of shortlisted applicants will be from November to January 2024. The application results will be announced by late February 2024.

Further inquiries can be directed to the Faculty Scholarship Program Team at ubscholars@unitedboard.org.

Enclosure:

- 1. Announcement
- 2. Guidelines
- 3. Application Form (Word Format)
- 4. Scholarship Budget Form
- 5. Sample Reference Letter
- 6. Sample Confirmation Letter

Best regards,

United Board Faculty Scholarship Program Team