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PUP MASTER'S DEGREE IN EDUCATION MAJOR IN TEACHING CHALLENGED AREAS (MAED-TCA)

The Polytechnic University of the Philippines is now offering a Master's Degree in Education, Major in Teaching in Challenged Areas (MAED-TCA)—the first program of its kind in the country. In this regard, the university is inviting interested teachers to consider joining and enrolling in this pioneering graduate program.

Please be advised that participation to the said program is strictly voluntary, and other related costs which may be incurred by the enrollees shall be on personal expense. They are also reminded to strictly observe Time-On-Task Policy, and strict compliance to No Disruption of Classes Policy of the Department as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 09, s. 2005.

For more information and complete program details, kindly refer to the attached document.

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July 31, 2025

DR. ROMMEL C. BAUTISTASchools Division Superintendent
Department of Education
Pagbilao, Quezon Province

Dear Dr. Bautista:

Greetings of Peace and Prosperity!

The Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) is pleased to announce the offering of a Master's degree in Education, major in Teaching in Challenged Areas (MAED-TCA), a program that is the first of its kind in the country and the world. This innovative program aims to provide advanced training to help teachers cope with the demands of their profession and strengthen their motivation to teach in challenging contexts.

The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) has already approved this program, The development of this new Master's program is one of the significant outcomes of Project Forth, or the Formation of Teachers in Emerging Challenged Areas in the Philippines, a capacity-building initiative co-funded by the Erasmus+ of the European Union Commission.

"Challenged areas" encompass various aspects that learners may experience, including economic, legal, technological, social, cultural, political, and environmental factors. The MAED-TCA program is designed for passionate professionals committed to providing quality education to underserved communities. We believe this program will enable educators to enhance their expertise, uplift learners, and make meaningful contributions to the future of education.

Moreover, may we humbly request assistance from your good office to help us promote this program by cordially inviting teachers in your division to consider joining and enrolling in the Master of Arts in Education major in Teaching in the Challenged Areas (MAED-TCA) program. This is a valuable opportunity for your dedicated educators to advance their academic and professional journeys with PUP.

We are also pleased to inform you that admission for the MAED-TCA program at the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) College of Education for the First Semester of AY 2025-2026 is officially OPEN this August 2025. Classes for the First Semester of the academic year 2025-2026 are scheduled to commence in September 2025. To accommodate diverse learning needs, the program considers both online and hybrid modes of teaching and learning. We encourage your DepEd teachers to seize this chance to elevate their impact in education and make a lasting difference by serving those who need it most, because excellence in education changes lives.

Please feel free to reach out to us at 09457294287 or email us at macresencio@pup.edu.ph if you have any further questions. Thank you very much. We sincerely appreciate your anticipated support in promoting this significant program to your esteemed teachers. May you always be blessed.

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd.) Prof. MARION CRESENCIO, EdD Chairperson, MAED-TCA Associate Dean, Graduate School

Noted by:

(Sgd.) Prof. ROSEMARIEBETH R. DIZON, DEM Dean, College of Education

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The Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) announces its new course offering titled *Master's degree in Teaching in the Challenge Areas* (MAED-TCA). The program aims to help educators in providing quality education and meaningful contributions to underserved communities. The admission for MAED – TCA program for First Semester of A.Y. 2025 – 2026 is officially open. Classes are scheduled to commence in September 2025.

For further information regarding the program schedule and other related matters, kindly contact **PROF. MARION CRESENCIO**, MAED – TCA Chairperson, at macresencio@pup.edu.ph or 09457294287.

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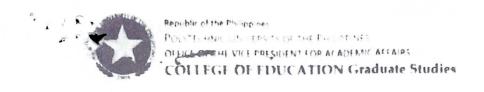
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August 4 2025

DR. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE Regional Director Region IV-A Department of Education

Dear Dr. Escobarte:

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The Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP), one of the top universities in teacher education, is pleased to announce the offering of a Master's degree in Education major in Teaching in the Challenged Areas (MAED-TCA), the first of its kind in the country and the world. This innovative program aims to provide advanced training to help teachers cope with the demands of their profession and strengthen their motivation to teach in challenging contexts.

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We'd be delighted to present the program to you and your teachers. Please feel free to reach out to us at 09457294287 or email us at macresencio@pup.edu.ph if you have any further questions. Thank you very much. We sincerely appreciate your anticipated support in promoting this significant program to your esteemed teachers. May you always be blessed.

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