

Miriam College, a non-profit, non-stock Catholic education provider, is a leading institution of higher learning that has offered programs for young women at the basic, tertiary, post-graduate and adult education levels for more than 85 years.

The College is one of the ten higher education institutions in the country chosen for the Joint Development of Niche Programmes through Philippine-UK Linkages, a programme that aims to build partnership between Philippine and UK institutions by providing capacity and funding support from the British Council and the Commission on Higher Education.

Through their Institutional Partnerships and Programs Office, Miriam College has expanded their international and local partnerships with different organisations, institutions and networks in Asia, Australia, Europe and North America. Its programmes, among many others, include study tours designed to encourage alternative classroom learning and to expose participants to the various cultures, social institutions, languages, and everyday practices of the destination country.

Miriam College offers a full range of bachelor's and master's degrees in the fields of (1) arts and sciences, (2) business, entrepreneurship and accountancy, and (3) education. Several of their programmes have continuously demonstrated excellence, and have therefore been granted recognition by the Commission on Higher Education and the Philippine Accrediting Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities.

The British Council Philippines is looking for UK educational partners to support the study tour of different groups of third-year undergraduate students from various disciplines. We intend to send these groups of students on separate study tours in the UK to learn more about their respective fields and be exposed to the UK's best practices.

We are looking at a schedule where students arrive in the UK in July and spend ten to fourteen days for the programme. Ideally, seven days are allotted for lectures, workshops, university visits or industry exposure (total of 42 contact hours) and three days for regular excursions and sightseeing.

The UK educational partners will be in-charge of:

- Organising the educational tour itinerary
- Transfers and pick-ups
- Accommodation for students including one chaperone

The priority areas for the contact hours (lectures, workshops, university visits or industry exposure) for each discipline are detailed below.

1. Study tour 1: Communication and Visual Design

- TV/film production and studio tours
- Journalism workshop and newsroom tours
- Art and architecture lectures and tours
- Performing arts, drama and theatre workshops, tours or shows
- Shakespeare-related activities

2. Study tour 2: Psychology

- Activities covering industrial and organisational psychology, clinical psychology, education psychology or social psychology
- Exposure to mental health care and treatment with possible visits to facilities
- Lecture on counselling and assessments

- Special topics that deal with women, children and families
- Visits to relevant museums such as Freud Museum and Bethlem Museum

3. Study tour 3: Child Development and Education

- Exposure to early childhood care and education practices
- Lectures on children assessment and special education
- UK's teaching practices in the early grades
- UK's curriculum design and instructional materials
- Best practices of teaching STEM to children

4. Study tour 4: Business Administration and Entrepreneurship

- Lectures or workshops on business and finance
- Tours in the financial district and the Bank of England
- Visits to startup companies and entrepreneurial institutions
- Lectures in social enterprises
- Visits to corporate headquarters of UK brands
- Visit to the Museum of Brands, Packaging & Advertising

5. Study tour 5: Leisure and Tourism Management

- Hotel, restaurant, leisure and tourism management
- Visits to startup and established hospitality and catering industries
- Visits to tourist and leisure facilities
- Culinary tourism and market tours
- Lectures on ecotourism

6. Study tour 6: Environment Planning and Management

- Sustainable development and environment cost management
- Urban planning and green architecture
- Lectures on energy security and waste management
- Best practices in disaster risk reduction and management
- Visits to energy plants and green companies

UK providers that provide programmes and services across different disciplines may send proposals for more than one study tour group. Accordingly, those whose expertise is on a particular subject may also choose to send their proposal for one group only.

British Council will be facilitating and arranging all flights, visa, and necessary support in the Philippines.

The quoted programme fee will include:

- a. Programme management in the UK
- b. Accommodation (kindly indicate prices for catering options)
- c. Airport transfers
- d. Fees for exposure trips
- e. Insurance

We are anticipating a minimum of ten students per discipline.

Deadline for submission of interest is on **27 January 2017 (23.59 UK time)**.

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