PROPOSAL FOR PCAFPD GRADUATE STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP

BACKGROUND

Since I graduated from college, I have been actively engaged in activities and volunteer work that have enriched my life and contributed to my personal and professional development. My time in college instilled in me a passion for community service and a desire to make a positive impact, which I have pursued through activities since earning my degree.

One of my primary focuses has been involved in the Church community. I began my journey with the Lady of Purification Parish Lecturers and Commentators group, where I dedicated my time to serve the Church and our Loving Father Almighty. This experience not only allowed me to give back to my community but also helped me develop valuable skills in teamwork and people skills.

Additionally, I became involved in the Census House and Population Demographic Enumeration, where I worked as a Census Enumerator under the supervision of the Philippine Statistics Authority. Through this role, I had the opportunity to collaborate with a diverse group of individuals, each bringing unique perspective and skills to the table. I also had the opportunity to interview different individuals to learn all about their lives and their way of living. This has deepened my understanding of poverty, population and empowerment, further fueling my passion to help people.

I have pursued professional development by attending workshops and online courses related to information technology and education. These experiences not only enhanced my knowledge, but also expanded my network, connecting me with like-minded individuals and mentors who have been instrumental in my growth. I applied these insights to my previous work at Lyceum-Northwestern University, where I was an IT instructor and a former college secretary in the IT department.

Furthermore, I continued my commitment to serving the church and exploring new opportunities to make a difference. My commitment and eagerness have not only shaped my professional trajectory but also enriched my life in countless ways. I believe that giving back is not just a responsibility but a privilege, and I am eager to leverage my skills and experiences more to support causes that align with my values.

FINANCIAL

As I pursue my graduate studies, I find myself in a challenging financial situation that necessitates seeking assistance. My current situation is taking care of my son and being present in his life.

My family has been a vital source of support throughout my educational journey. They contributed to my tuition and monthly allowance until I graduated from college, which has helped cover some of my basic living expenses. However, given the fact that my mother has retired from her own business as a beautician and the only one working in the family is my father, their financial capacity is limited, making it difficult for them to provide additional support for my graduate studies.

To reduce some of the financial burden, I am actively pursuing my online selling of digital products for kids while pursuing my graduate studies. I have also applied for work-from-home positions such as ESL teacher, data encoder, and software engineering associate, which would not only provide financial support but enhance my experience in my field of study. However, securing

a position that fits my needs has been challenging due to the competitive job market and lack of work experience needed in that position.

In addition to my family's support and my work plans, I have explored other financial assistance options such as this one. This is my first time applying for a graduate scholarship that would provide much needed financial relief. Given these factors, I find myself in a position where financial assistance would really ease my burden and allow me to focus on my studies. I am committed to making the most of my graduate studies and ensuring that I can contribute positively to my field in the future.

PROPOSED COURSE OF STUDY

My chosen graduate program would have to be a master's in information technology major in Cybersecurity at the University of Luzon. The following courses and mentioned below as per the graduate studies' IT Program:

FOUNDATION COURSES (18.0 UNITS)		
SUBJECT CODE	**SUBJECT DESCRIPTION**	**TOTAL UNITS**
MIT 0011	Advanced Information Systems Security	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0012	Advanced Operating System	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0013	Advanced Computer Organization	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0014	Database Security	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0015	Information Technology Research	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0016	Statistics for Information Technology Research	3.0 (Unit)

SPECIALIZATION COURSES (15.0 UNITS)		
MIT 0021	Advanced Network Security/Administration	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0022	Information Systems Audit and Digital Forensics	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0023	Vulnerability Management and Disaster Recovery	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0024	Trends in Information System Security Administration	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0025	Web Application Security	3.0 (Unit)

ELECTIVES (12.0 UNITS)		
MIT 0031	Advanced Management Information System	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0032	Advanced Multimedia Applications	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0033	Advanced Mobile Computing	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0034	Data Warehousing Technology	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0035	Cyber Threat Intelligence	3.0 (Unit)
ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES (12.0 UNITS)		
MIT 0001	Intro to Programming	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0002	Data Structure	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0003	Computer Hardware Fundamentals	3.0 (Unit)
MIT 0004	Basic Software Engineering	3.0 (Unit)
CAPSTONE PROJECT (6.0 UNITS)		
MITIS 01	Independent Study/Project (1)	6.0 (Unit)
	TOTAL UNITS	66.0 UNITS

I chose University of Luzon as my university to pursue my master's degree because of its strong emphasis on practical application and its commitment in addressing the challenges in technology trends that are particularly developing not just in the Philippines, but the whole world. The program's approach combines theory with real-world applications, providing a well-rounded education that is essential for real-world problem scenarios in the future. The faculty's expertise in cybersecurity, and the university's strong ties to local communities and organizations further set my decision.

Upon completing my degree, I plan to pursue a career in Education specifically to Sped Education within the Philippines. I aim to work with students who need the most love and attention. I also intend to volunteer with non-profit organizations such as planting new trees for our Mother Earth and helping stray dogs to find a better home for them.

Pursuing a master's degree will not only enhance my professional skills but also enables me to make a meaningful contribution to the development of the Philippines. I am committed to influencing my education to foster positive change in myself and to my community.

BUDGET

The given budget below is the accurate amount needed to finish my master's degree.

A. **NUMBER OF SEMESTERS AND COURSE REQUIRED**

3RD SEMESTER A.Y. 2023 – 2024		
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN
MIT 0011	Advanced Information Systems Security	3.0

MIT 0012	Advanced Operating System	3.0
MIT 0013	Advanced Computer Organization	3.0
MIT 0015	Information Technology Research	3.0

SUMMER A.Y. 2023 – 2024		
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN
MIT 0014	Database Security	3.0
MIT 0016	Statistics for Information Technology Research	3.0
MIT 0021	Advanced Network Security/Administration	3.0

1ST SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025		
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN
MIT 0022	Information Systems Audit and Digital Forensics	3.0
MIT 0023	Vulnerability Management and Disaster Recovery	3.0
MIT 0024	Trends in Information Systems Security Administration	3.0
MIT 0025	Web Application Security	3.0

2ND SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025		
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN
MIT 0031	Advanced Management Information System	3.0
MIT 0033	Advanced Mobile Computing	3.0

3RD SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025		
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN
MITIS 01	Independent Study/Capstone Project	6.0

B. TUITION AND FEES PER SEMESTER

3RD SEMESTER A.Y. 2023 – 2024				
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN	RATE/UNIT	TOTAL SUBJECT FEE
MIT 0011	Advanced Information Systems Security	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0012	Advanced Operating System	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0013	Advanced Computer Organization	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0015	Information Technology Research	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
			TOTAL TUITION FEE	12,348.24
SUMMER A.Y. 2023 – 2024				
SUBJECT CODE	SUBJECT TITLE	UNITS TAKEN	RATE/UNIT	TOTAL SUBJECT FEE
MIT 0014	Database Security	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0016	Statistics for Information Technology Research	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0021	Advanced Network Security/Administration	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
			TOTAL TUITION FEE	9,261.18

1ST SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025				
SUBJECT CODE	**SUBJECT TITLE**	**UNITS TAKEN**	**RATE/UNIT**	**TOTAL SUBJECT FEE**
MIT 0022	Information Systems Audit and Digital Forensics	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0023	Vulnerability Management and Disaster Recovery	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0024	Trends in Information Systems Security Administration	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0025	Web Application Security	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
			TOTAL TUITION FEE	**12,348.24**
2ND SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025				
SUBJECT CODE	**SUBJECT TITLE**	**UNITS TAKEN**	**RATE/UNIT**	**TOTAL SUBJECT FEE**
MIT 0031	Advanced Management Information System	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
MIT 0033	Advanced Mobile Computing	3.0	1,029.02	3,087.06
			TOTAL TUITION FEE	**6,174.12**
3RD SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025				
SUBJECT CODE	**SUBJECT TITLE**	**UNITS TAKEN**	**RATE/UNIT**	**TOTAL SUBJECT FEE**
MITIS 01	Independent Study/Capstone Project	6.0	1,029.02	6,174.12
			TOTAL TUITION FEE	**6,174.12**

C. ESTIMATED EXPENSES

FEE PAYMENT DETAILS (3RD SEMESTER A.Y. 2023 – 2024)	
PARTICULARS	**AMOUNT**
TOTAL TUITION FEE	**12,348.24**

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Athletic Fee	205.81
Charitable Cont.	144.06
Cultural Arts Fee	144.06
Internet Fee	617.41
Library Fee	1,234.82
Medical & Dental Fee	308.71

Research Journal	617.41
School Organ Fee	154.35
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS FEE	**3,426.63**

OTHER CHARGES	
Aircon Fee	1,000.00
Audio Visual Fee	514.52
Capital Dev't Fee	246.96
ID Card	250.00
Registration Fee	261.92
Student Insurance Fee	61.76
TOTAL OTHER CHARGES	**2,335.16**

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	**18,110.03**

FEE PAYMENT DETAILS (SUMMER A.Y. 2023 – 2024)	
PARTICULARS	**AMOUNT**
TOTAL TUITION FEE	**9,261.18**

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Athletic Fee	205.81
Charitable Cont.	144.06
Cultural Arts Fee	144.06
Internet Fee	617.41
Library Fee	1,234.82
Medical & Dental Fee	308.71
Research Journal	617.41
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TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS FEE	**3,426.63**

OTHER CHARGES	
Aircon Fee	1,000.00
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Capital Dev't Fee	246.96
ID Card	250.00
Registration Fee	261.92
Student Insurance Fee	61.76
TOTAL OTHER CHARGES	**2,335.16**

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	**13,972.97**
FEE PAYMENT DETAILS (1ST SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025)	
PARTICULARS	**AMOUNT**
TOTAL TUITION FEE	**12,348.24**

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Athletic Fee	205.81
Charitable Cont.	144.06
Cultural Arts Fee	144.06
Internet Fee	617.41
Library Fee	1,234.82
Medical & Dental Fee	308.71
Research Journal	617.41
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TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS FEE	**3,426.63**

OTHER CHARGES	
Aircon Fee	1,000.00
Audio Visual Fee	514.52
Capital Dev't Fee	246.96

ID Card	250.00
Registration Fee	261.92
Student Insurance Fee	61.76
TOTAL OTHER CHARGES	**2,335.16**

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	**18,110.03**

FEE PAYMENT DETAILS (2ND SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025)	
PARTICULARS	**AMOUNT**
TOTAL TUITION FEE	**6,174.12**

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Athletic Fee	205.81
Charitable Cont.	144.06
Cultural Arts Fee	144.06
Internet Fee	617.41
Library Fee	1,234.82
Medical & Dental Fee	308.71
Research Journal	617.41
School Organ Fee	154.35
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS FEE	**3,426.63**

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ID Card	250.00
Registration Fee	261.92
Student Insurance Fee	61.76

TOTAL OTHER CHARGES	**2,335.16**

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	**11,935.91**

FEE PAYMENT DETAILS (3RD SEMESTER A.Y. 2024 – 2025)	
PARTICULARS	**AMOUNT**
TOTAL TUITION FEE	**6,174.12**

MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Athletic Fee	205.81
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TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS FEE	**3,426.63**

OTHER CHARGES	
Aircon Fee	1,000.00
Audio Visual Fee	514.52
Capital Dev't Fee	246.96
ID Card	250.00
Registration Fee	261.92
Student Insurance Fee	61.76
TOTAL OTHER CHARGES	**2,335.16**

TOTAL ASSESSMENT	**11,935.91**

In conclusion, this scholarship represents more than just financial aid, it is an investment in my future and my ability to contribute to the development of my country. This would not only support my educational journey but also would equip me to make a meaningful impact in my field, helping to advance cybersecurity initiatives that protect and empower individuals and organizations. I am committed to taking this opportunity to excel academically and professionally, ensuring that I can give back to my community and drive positive change in the realm of cybersecurity.