

# UNIVERSITY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDÅT GUÅHAN Board of Regents

**Resolution No. 24-28** 

## RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE REPEALING AND REPLACEMENT OF BOR RESOLUTION NO. 05-31 RELATIVE TO THE MARINE LAB GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, the University of Guam (UOG) is the primary U.S. Land Grant and Sea Grant institution accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission serving the post-secondary needs of the people of Guam and the Western Pacific region;

**WHEREAS**, the governance and control of the UOG is vested in the Board of Regents (BOR) of UOG;

**WHEREAS,** the provisions of Title 17 of the Guam Code Annotated, Chapter 28, governing the Student Financial Assistance Fund, states that the Student Financial Assistance Fund shall be administered and granted by the BOR;

**WHEREAS,** in order to uphold the academic standards and ensure the viability of the Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship Program, the following amendments to BOR Resolution No. 05-31 are recommended;

**WHEREAS,** UOG has proposed the following amendments to BOR Resolution No. 05-31 relative to the Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship Program; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Vice President and Provost for Academic and Student Affairs, the Director of the UOG Marine Laboratory, the Interim Dean of Enrollment Management and Student Success, and the Financial Aid Director have all certified that the amendments to the Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship Program is in compliance with appropriate BOR rules and regulations and the President has recommended the amendments to the Committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the following provisions shall govern the conduct of the Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship Program.

- The Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship shall be awarded to eligible students at UOG, but not exceeding 108 credit hours per semester, to support both full-time and parttime graduate students pursuing M.S. degrees in Biology or Environmental Science. To be eligible, the student's thesis committee must be chaired by a Marine Laboratory faculty member.
- 2. The scholarship shall cover only tuition and associated fees. A recipient of this scholarship will not be eligible for this award if they are the recipient of any other tuition scholarship and will forfeit their award if they fail to maintain a 3.0 cumulative grade point average at the end of each semester.
- 3. Full-time students may be awarded a scholarship for no more than three (3) years, while part-time students who are working full time may be eligible for up to six (6) years of tuition scholarship funding.

- 4. Scholarships are awarded annually at the discretion of the Marine Laboratory Director. If credit hour requests exceed the award limit, priority will be given to students most recently enrolled in the program.
- 5. Recipients must be a resident of Guam for at least one year prior to the award of the Marrine Lab Graduate Scholarship Program.
- 6. Scholarship recipients will receive a total of three (3) semesters of full-time tuition scholarships for full-time students (six semesters for part-time students), after which they will begin their required service period. Recipients of this scholarship program must complete service repayment at a rate of one year and six months of service for every three (3) semesters they receive the award, if the recipient is attending full-time, and one (1) year and six months for every six (6) semesters they receive the award, if the recipient is attending part-time.
- 7. The service period for full-time students may consist of employment as a research assistant on a funded project, which will include work on their thesis project. Part-time working students will be considered to be completing their service requirement while fulfilling their existing employment hours. Service must be on Guam.
- 8. Funding for the "Marine Lab Graduate" Program is subject to availability of funds and must be authorized on an annual basis by the Board of Regents.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the provisions contained herein shall supercede and control the Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship Program and any other provision or term of any other BOR resolution which may be in contradiction, conflict, derogation with the provisions container herein shall be void and of no force or effect and BOR Resolution 05-31 is hereby repealed;

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024.

Lesley-Anne Leon Guerrero, Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Anita Borja Enriquez, D.B.A., Executive Secretary



# UNIVERSITY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDAT GUAHAN BOARD OF REGENTS

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 05-31**

## RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE STUDENT AFFAIRS, SCHOLARSHIP, ALUMNI RELATIONS & HONORARY DEGREE COMMITTEE DURING ITS MEETING OF AUGUST 11, 2005 RELATIVE TO THE MARINE LAB GRADUATE PROGRAM.

**WHEREAS**, the governance and control of the University of Guam is vested in the Board of Regents of the University of Guam; and,

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide incentives for students to continue their education at the University of Guam, and to assist them for gainful employment opportunities, and for the further pursuit of higher education;

**WHEREAS**, in order to uphold the academic standards for the "Marine Lab Graduate" Program the Board's Scholarship Committee recommended that the "Marine Lab Graduate" Program standards and requirements be updated; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Senior Vice President, Academic & Student Affairs, Dean, Enrollment Management & Student Services, and the Financial Aid Director have all certified that the Board of Regents "Marine Lab Graduate" Program is in compliance with appropriate Board of Regents' rules and regulations and the President has recommended it to the Committee; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following provisions shall govern the conduct of the "Marine Lab Graduate" Program;

- 1. The Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship shall be awarded to not more than twelve (12) graduate students pursuing their degree in Marine Biology at the University of Guam.
- 2. The graduate must be a full-time student at the University of Guam. Graduate students who meet any of the conditions below shall be considered full-time graduate students:
  - 1. Graduate students who are enrolled for nine (9) semester hours of credit; or
  - 2. Graduate students who are (a) accepted to a Graduate Program, and (b) enrolled for at least two (2) semester hours of Thesis credit; or
  - 3. Graduate students who are (a) accepted to a Graduate Program, and (b) working as full-time (defined as 20 hrs. per week) research assistants or teaching assistants AND (c) enrolled for at least three (3) semester hours of regular course credit <u>or</u> one (1) semester hour of thesis credit.
- 3. The graduate shall not be eligible for this Marine Lab Graduate Scholarship if he/she is also a recipient of another scholarship or other assistance for tuition and fees credit.
- 4. The graduate scholarship shall cover tuition and related fees, which shall not exceed three (3) years per recipient.
- 5. A recipient of this graduate scholarship shall forfeit his/her award if he/she a) fails to enroll full-time each semester; or b) falls below a 3.0 cumulative grade point average at the end of each semester.
- 6. A recipient of this graduate scholarship is obligated to reimburse the University of Guam for tuition and fees if withdrawal places the student in a less than full-time status beyond the normal institutional registration period.
- 7. Funding for the "Marine Lab Graduate" Program is subject to availability of funds and must be authorized on an annual basis by the Board of Regents.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the provisions contained herein shall supersede and control the Marine Lab Graduate Program and any other provision or term of any other Board resolution which may be in contradiction, conflict, or in derogation with the provisions contained herein shall be void and of no force or effect and BOR Resolution 92-16 is hereby repealed, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that copies of this Resolution shall be provided to the University Campus Community through the President's Office, R.F.K. Library, and the Financial Aid Office.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Resolution 92-16 is hereby modified and restructured by this Resolution and that the Board of Regents adopts this Resolution to be effective Academic Year 2005-2006 and thereafter.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Regents of the University of Guam hereby approves the Committee's recommendation as amended.

Adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2005

ATTESTED:

Dr. Harold L. Allen, Executive Secretary

Ronald H. Leach, Chairperson