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(DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS)  
UL Complex, Pasig, Metro Manila

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DECS O R D E R  
No. 68, s. 1992

FULL DEREGULATION FOR EXCELLENT HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities  
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

1. Pursuant to Section 29, Batas Pambansa Big. 232 in relation to Rule IV of the Rules and Regulations for the implementation of the said act, necessary measures have been undertaken to identify the excellent programs offered by various colleges and universities.
2. It has been a declared policy of the State to encourage and assist educational institutions, thru this department, to attain high levels of quality higher education.
3. An initial list of excellent schools was released in DECS Order No. 137, s. 1991. This Office is of the opinion, however, that programs rather than schools should be identified as excellent. Pending the results of the evaluation of non-baccalaureate programs, the DECS shall limit its list of excellent programs only to baccalaureate programs in private colleges and universities.
4. The identified programs offered in various higher education institutions shall be given full deregulation or complete administrative curricula and financial autonomy for two (2) years beginning school year 1992-1993. A list of identified excellent programs is inclosed.
5. The criteria used in the determination of excellent programs are the following:
  - a. All programs have been recommended by the regional offices based on the record of consistently good performance of these schools.
  - b. All programs have attained at least Level III status as certified by existing accrediting agencies and/or recommended by corresponding technical panels.

c. Good performance of graduates thru the years as substantiated by their consistent high percentage of passing obtained in national examination and/or by the business or industry they have worked with since their graduation.

d. Monitoring and evaluation of schools and programs are basic and continuing activities of the regions and this Office emphasizes the need for the regions to use objective measures in their evaluation.

(SGD.) ISIDRO D. CARINO  
Secretary

Incl.:  
As stated

Reference:  
DECS Order: (No. 137, s. 1991)

Allotment: 1-3-4--(M.O. 1-87)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

ACCREDITATION  
Course of Study, COLLEGIATE  
POLICY  
PROGRAM, SCHOOL  
RULES & REGULATIONS  
SCHOOLS  
UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES

(Inclosure to DECS Order No. 68, s-1992)

LIST OF EXCELLENT PROGRAMS OFFERED IN PRIVATE  
COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

<u>Region</u>		<u>Program</u>
NCR		
	1. Adamson University, Manila	- Chemical Eng'g.
	2. Assumption College, Makati	- Liberal Arts Commerce
	3. Don Bosco Tech. College, Mandaluyong	- Electronics & Comm. Eng'g., Mechanical Eng'g.
	4. Far Eastern University, Manila	- Medical Technology
	5. Phil. Christian University, Manila	- Nursing
	6. San Beda College, Manila	- Liberal Arts Commerce Law
	7. University of the East, Manila	- Dentistry
Region V		
	Colegio de Santa Isabel, Naga City	- Nursing
Region VI		
	1. St. Paul College, Iloilo City	- Nursing
	2. University of St. La Salle	- Nursing
Region VII		
	Cebu Doctors College, Cebu City	- Nursing Optometry
Region VIII		
	Divine Word University, Tacloban	- Nursing
Region IX		
	Ateneo de Zamboanga	- Liberal Arts Commerce