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SUBJECT: POLICIES, STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES (PSGs) FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY and BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ANTHROPOLOGY (BA/BS Anthropology) PROGRAMS

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994," in pursuance of an outcomes-based quality assurance system as advocated under CMO No. 46 s. 2012 entitled "Policy Standards to Enhance Quality Assurance (QA) in Philippine Higher Education Through an Outcomes-Based and Typology-Based QA," and by virtue of Commission en banc Resolution No. 231-2017 dated March 28, 2017, the following policies, standards and guidelines (PSGs) are hereby adopted and promulgated by the Commission.

**ARTICLE I
INTRODUCTION**

Section 1. Rationale

Based on the Guidelines for the Implementation of CMO No. 46 s. 2012, this PSG implement the "shift to learning competency-based standards/ outcomes-based education." These specify the 'core competencies' expected of BA/BS Anthropology graduates "regardless of the type of HEI they graduate from." However, in "recognition of the spirit of outcomes-based education and ... of the typology of HEIs," this PSG also provide "ample space for HEIs to innovate in the curriculum in line with the assessment of how best to achieve learning outcomes in their particular contexts and their respective missions"

**ARTICLE II
AUTHORITY TO OPERATE**

Section 2. Government Recognition

All private higher education institutions (PHEIs) intending to offer BA/BS Anthropology must first secure proper authority from the Commission in accordance with this PSG. All PHEIs with an existing BA/BS Anthropology programs are required to shift to an outcomes-based approach based on this PSG. State universities and colleges (SUCs), and local universities and colleges (LUCs) should likewise strictly adhere to the provisions of these policies and standards.

ACCESS THE CHED PSGs FOR BA/BS ANTHROPOLOGY HERE:

<https://ched.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/CMO-31-s-2017.pdf>