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ADVISORY

NORWEGIAN SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION (NSA) CADET PROGRAM

This Office disseminates the attached letter from the **Norwegian Association (NSA) Cadet Program**, dated August 24, 2026, as part of the Norwegian Maritime Foundation of the Philippines, Inc., (NMFPI) aims to develop Filipino maritime professionals through scholarships and top-tier maritime education.

Since its launch in 1993, the program has produced over 6,000 merchant marine officers compliant with STCW standards, who now serve on international vessels.

The scholarship benefits include:

- education at a prestigious maritime education;
- free dormitory, board and lodging for the first two years;
- apprenticeship training;
- free training and upgrading courses;
- leadership and character development programs; and
- opportunities to travel worldwide during apprenticeship.

In this regard, **all existing Grade 12 students or qualified alumni** interested applicants are welcome to apply online at <https://nsacadet.com> beginning July 15, 2026.

Attached is the letter of **Mr. Larry V. Gonzales**, MSc, NSA Cadet Manager, for your information and guidance.


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August 24, 2026

PETER O. GALIMBA
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Dear Sir Galimba:

Greetings!

The **Norwegian Shipowners Association (NSA) Cadet Program**, as part of the Norwegian Maritime Foundation of the Philippines Inc. (NMFPI), aims to develop Filipino maritime professionals through scholarships and top-tier maritime education. Since its launch in 1993, the program has produced over 6,000 merchant marine officers compliant with STCW standards, who now serve on international vessels.

We partner with esteemed maritime institutions such as the DMMA College of Southern Philippines, Lyceum University of the Philippines – Batangas, and the University of Cebu-Lapu Lapu and Mandaue. The program's structure involves 2 years of schooling, 1 year at sea as a cadet, and a final year back at school to complete academic requirements.

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- Apprenticeship Training
- Free training and upgrading courses
- Leadership and character development programs
- Opportunities to travel worldwide during apprenticeship

We respectfully request your endorsement of our scholarship offer among your schools under your SDO leadership, to all existing Grade 12 students or qualified alumni. We can send campaign materials to your office, if needed. We offer Bachelor of Science degrees in Marine Transportation and Marine Engineering, leading to careers as Ship Captains and Chief Engineers.

Interested applicants are welcome to apply online at <https://nsacadet.com/> beginning July 15, 2026.

Further, you can visit and be updated through the NSA's Official Social Media Accounts:

Instagram, YouTube, Tiktok and Facebook: NSA Cadet Program

Website: <https://nsacadet.com/>

We look forward to your positive response to this humble request. God bless you and more power to your leadership! Thank You.

Sincerely,

Mr. Larry V. Gonzales, MSc.
NSA Cadet Manager

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NSA CADET PROGRAM

FUTURE MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be:

- 17-24 years old on or before April 30
- Senior High School (K-12) graduates
- Existing college students and tertiary level graduates
- Physically and mentally fit
- Filipino Citizen
- No derogatory records or was not convicted / accused of any crime of moral turpitude

DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Bachelor of Science in Marine Transportation (Future Ships' Captain and Deck Officers)
- Bachelor of Science in Marine Engineering (Future Chief Engineers and Engine Officers)

ENJOY THE FOLLOWING:

- Scholarship in a prestigious maritime university and free tuition and miscellaneous fees for the first two years
- Free board and lodging for the first two years
- International Apprenticeship Training
- Opportunities to travel worldwide during apprenticeship
- Free training and upgrading course
- A meaningful leadership, character and career development training program



APPLY ONLINE



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