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"Priceless are the days and nights I got to spend immersed in stories from different cultures, completely different worlds. Going on an exchange made me a better person—as a student, a Filipino and a citizen of the world."

Christinanne Noelle de Vera , AB-ISE Host University: Nanyang Technology University

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DLSU STUDENTS JOIN SAKURA EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN JAPAN



DLSU students in Waseda University, Japan

Twenty-eight students from the Gokongwei College of Engineering visited Waseda University in Japan to participate in the SAKURA Exchange Program from October 12 to 18, 2014.

The event was organized by the Center for Contribution of Peace in Asia to enhance exchange activity between Japanese and Asian youths and to facilitate short-term visits of competent Asian youths who will play a crucial role in the field of Science and Technology through close collaboration among industry, academia and government. The DLSU students had the privilege of attending the class of Professor Shuji Owada, an expert in resource recycling engineering from the Department of Resources and Environmental Engineering of Waseda University.

Heading the delegation were University fellow and concurrent Executive Director of the External Relations and Internationalization Office, Dr. Alvin B. Culaba, and his co-faculty member of the Gokongwei College of Engineering, Dr. Jonathan Dungca.

Student artists perform at the 2014 ASEAN Arts Festival in Malaysia

Nine student artists and three faculty advisers from the Cultural Arts Office participated in the 2014 ASEAN Arts Festival in Selangor, Malaysia from November 27 to December 1, 2014. The festival was held at University of Kebangsaan Malaysia in Bangi, Selangor. This is an annual event organized by the ASEAN University Network and is hosted alternately by member universities. Students and faculty advisers from Brunei Darussalam, Hongkong, Indonesia, Philippines, Singapore and Vietnam attended the 2014 festival.



CAO performs in Malaysia during ASEAN Arts Festival

Liberal Arts students bag award at the 2014 National Model United Nations (NMUN) Conference in USA

A team of 20 students from the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) participated in the National Model United Nations Conference at Washington D.C., USA from October 31 to November 2, 2014. They were among the 900 participants representing 130 countries in the international conference. Dr. Allen Surla, CLA External Affairs Director, accompanied the students and served as their faculty adviser.

The NMUN Conference allows participants to simulate United Nations assemblies, with the students negotiating for countries they represent. The activity requires prior knowledge of the country and the ability to negotiate parliamentary and diplomatic issues between and among nations.

The months of training and preparation bore fruit for the DLSU Team which represented Bangladesh;t he group was awarded the "Honorable Mention" Delegation Award for successfully negotiating and acquiring a significant amount of support from other country delegations, and for their exemplary country position papers presented during the plenary sessions.

As first-time participants, the CLA students proved that training and dedication are important tools for achieving one's goals. Their participation in conference served as preparation for a career in multilateral organizations such as the UN or ASEAN.

Dr. Surla recommended the establishment of an NMUN organization at



Dr. Allen Surla, CLA External Affairs Director (5th from left) holding the "Honorable Mention" certificate with DLSU student participants

DLSU "to provide opportunities for students' learning beyond the traditional borders of both school and country."

cont'd... ASEAN Arts Festival.

Heading the DLSU delegation were CAO Coordinators, Mr. German De Ramos Jr., Mr. Peter Alcedo Jr. and Mr. John Bradley Fenomeno. The students participated in various workshops and activities designed to give opportunities for cultural exchange and sharing of traditional music, instruments and dances.

The Festival included a pocket show performance at the Bangi Mall where

the CAO artists impressed the audience with their rendition of native Philippine dances. The closing program was graced with the presence of the renowned National Music virtuoso and principal fellow of the University Kebangsaan Malaysia Cultural Centre, Datu Dr. Johan Salleh.

The event provided an ideal venue for the promotion of Philippine culture through music and arts performances. It also served as an opportunity for the Lasallian students to network with fellow performers from the different ASEAN universities to further gain knowledge and new ideas which they could bring back and share with their fellow artists at De La Salle University.

College	Department	Name	Affiliation	Period of Visit
College of Education	ELMD	Dr. Denis McLaughlin	School of Educational Leadership	October 13-24
College of Liberal Arts	International Studies	Dr. Wataru Kusaka	Nagoya University	September 4-October 6
College of Liberal Arts	Psychology	Dr. Bruce Svare	State University of New York	November 3 to 5
College of Science	Physics	Dr. Ernest Macalalad	National Central University	September 5 to 25
College of Science	Physics	Dr. Raouf Naguib	Coventry University, UK	November 1 to 30
Gokongwei College of Engineering	ECE	Prof. Eryk Dutkiewicz	Macquarie University, Australia	October 27 to November 28
School of Economics		Dr. Jesus Dumagan	Philippine Institute for Development Studies	September 8 to December 1:

Name of the Institution	Type of Linkage/s	Host Unit
Department of Science and Technology - Philippine Council for Industry, Energy and Emerging Technology Research and Development	Research-Faculty Grant	Biology Department
Osaka University (Coupling Internship)	Student, Faculty and Research	College of Science
Meiji University (Program Renewal)	Student	College of Law
Queensland University of Technology	Student, Faculty and Research	College of Computer Science
Advanced Institute of Industrial Technology	Student, Faculty and Research	ERIO
US Embassy (Public Affairs Section)	Joint- Program Grant	Library (American Corner)
Analog Devices	Student/Scholarship Grant	GCOE
Research Triangle Institute	Research Grant	CENSER
Municipality of Lagayan, Abra	Research	GCOE
Asian Institute of Technology (Thailand)	Student, Faculty and Research	CLA

Four Lasallians win TECO's online contest

The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in the Philippines (TECO) organized a nationwide online contest that required competitors to watch a micro-film entitled *Together We Can*." The contest ran from December 11 to 19 during which time the contestants watched the micro-film online. They were asked to login to the TECO website to answer online questions related to the film. DLSU students Abdul Jhariel M. Osman, Kristine Betina Ang, Reymart Sangalang, and Raimond Christian Dasalla won the contest and received exciting prizes from TECO.

DLSU hosts "Religious Extremism" forum

The Vice Chancellor for Lasallian Mission (VCLM) and the External Relations and Internationalization Office (ERIO) organized a forum on Religious Extremism, in coordination with the Pacific Dialogue Foundation Inc. The forum was held on November 26, 2014 at the Br. Andrew Gonzalez FSC Hall.

The guest speakers were Dr. Ali Unsal, Director of Fethullah Gulen Chair of the State Islamic University in Jakarta, and Mr. Val Brillo, Assistant Professor and faculty member of the

DLSU - OU continuous partnership

As part of their partnership, Osaka University (OU) and De La Salle University (DLSU) participated in several programs focused on the development of collaboration in the fields of science and technology.

The Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Program in Science, also known as the SAKURA Exchange Program in Science, was held in Waseda University,Japan from September 8 to 17 and from November 16 to 22. The program aims to encourage and promote interest of Asian youths in Japanese science and technology through a short-term visit to Japan. Three students from DLSU participated in the program: Regine Grace Tan (MS Chemistry) in September, and Katrina Pauline Yap (BS Manufacturing Engineering and Management) and Diana Mae Calde (BS Physics, Materials Science) in November.

On the 30th of October, professors from OU namely, Dr. Sastia Prama Putri, Dr. Kiho Tanaka and Dr. Mamoru Sakaue, conducted a seminar in DLSU as part of the Center of Asian Research & Education Network (CAREN) tour. The seminar tour aims to inform prospective students of English courses, undergraduate and master's courses, and researchers who will or may want to work in partnership with OU in the fields of science and technology.

OU hosted another seminar on the 5th of November in Bangkok, Thailand. The event, titled "International Symposium of Globalization in Joining Technology and Materials Science – Collaboration Networking in Asia", was hosted by the Joining and Welding Research Institute (JWRI) and involved the participation of universities in Asia.

Students across Asia visited Tsuneishi Heavy Industries, Inc. in Cebu, Philippines from October 27 to November 7 as part of the OU-JWRI "Coupling Internship" (CIS) Program. Through the program, students from the humanities and science courses, and students from Japan and other Asian countries are trained together to promote better understanding of culture and language. Students are also able to experience first-hand how manufacturing technology works.

Institute of Religion of the University of Sto. Tomas. The panelists discussed the causes, effects and prospects of dealing with the growing emergence and acceptance of extremist religious ideology worldwide.

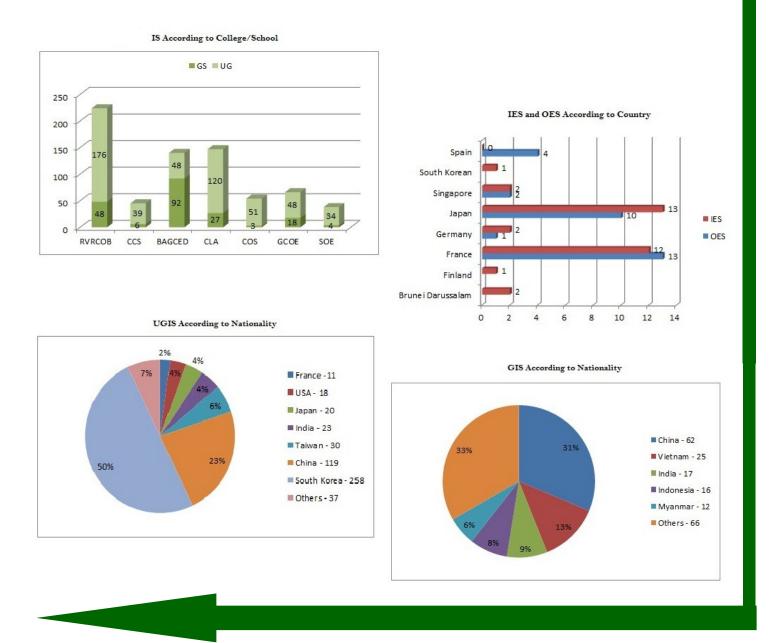
The event was graced by Br. Michael J. Broughton, Vice Chancellor for Lasallian Mission who delivered the opening remarks. The audience's request for a sequel proved the success of the event.



Participants listen to a discussion about religious extremism

FACTS AND FIGURES

Total Number of International Students = 714 (UGS-516 / GS-198) Total Number of Exchange Students = 63 (IES-33 / OES-30)



ERIO envisions DLSU to acquire global presence and prominence in scholarships and international engagement. To achieve this, ERIO engages Lasallians in meaningful, relevant and productive scholarships and international engagements through its strategic plans, programs and support mechanisms.

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