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*"It was a very fulfilling experience that helped me discover myself outside of my comfort zone. It was the best way to conclude my entire academic life."*  
Clarence Dominguez,  
IC Buddy President



## UNIVERSITY WEEK SHOWCASES INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES



Participants during International Education Forum (left) and international students who performs in Culture X

The External Relations and Internationalization Office (ERIO) organized major activities during the University Vision-Mission Week held from February 9-14, 2015.

The International Education Exhibit involved the participation of the embassies of America, Australia, Britain, Canada, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan. They set up booths at the Henry Sy Sr. Hall Lobby to promote their study abroad programs by answering students' questions and giving out pamphlets and brochures.

Embassy representatives discussed opportunities for scholarships and study abroad during the Education Forum which was attended by roughly 300 Lasallians.

There were also food booths that were set up by the international and local students during the International Food Festival which gave an opportunity for Lasallians and guests to experience the taste of native cuisines from around the world.

Finally, students and members of the DLSU community were treated to a showcase of talents at the CULTURE X presentations where international students performed their songs and dances while displaying their traditional costumes.

### DLSU AND CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' JOINT VISIT IN THAILAND

Twenty students from the Gokongwei College of Engineering participated in the DLSU-CU Undergraduate Cultural Exchange and Technical Visit in Bangkok, Thailand held last May 9-18, 2015.

CU's Civil Engineering department presented its graduate programs and scholarships, as well as current research activities. This was followed by DLSU students' presentation of their theses in a research forum with CU graduate students.

Participants visited the Fire Testing Research Center and Laboratory at the Saraburi see page 2



## ASEAN Youth Summit Held in DLSU

DLSU hosted the 2015 ASEAN Youth Summit which was participated in by students from the different ASEAN universities. It was held from January 23-25 with the theme "Empowering ASEAN Youth Towards a Greater ASEAN Community". It served as an avenue of information dissemination and a platform for discussion regarding the possible effects of the ASEAN Integration Initiative at the Southeast Asia region.

The event also featured distinguished public figures like Sen. Loren Legarda, Dr. Shanaka Jayanathpeiris (International Monetary Fund's resident representative to the Philippines), Dr. William G. Padolina (President of the National Academy of Science and Technology), Hon. Rosalinda D. Baldoz (Secretary of Department of Labor and Employment), Julio Amador III (Assistant Director of the Philippines' Foreign Services Institute), Hon. Ade Petranto (Charge D'Affaires at the Indonesian Embassy in the Philippines), and Neil Soria (founding president of the ASEAN Youth Leaders' Association) who discussed the implications of the ASEAN Integration to the different sectors of society.

Delegates had a tour of the campus during the first day, an interaction activity at Nayong Pilipino in Subic, Pampanga and a culminating night at Hotel H2O.



## DLSU-CU

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Province Campus where they witnessed a fire testing procedure. They also visited the construction site of the MRT Blue Line Extension and the New Thai Parliament House.

The students also visited tourist spots in Thailand like Muang Boran Ancient City, Wat Arun, Wat Po, Wat Prakhiew and Ayutthaya City during their spare time. They were accompanied by Ms. Cheryl Lyne C. Roxas, Vice-Chair of the Civil Engineering Department and Ms. Erica Elice S. Uy, CE part-time professor. Both are CU alumni, having pursued their master's degree at CU.



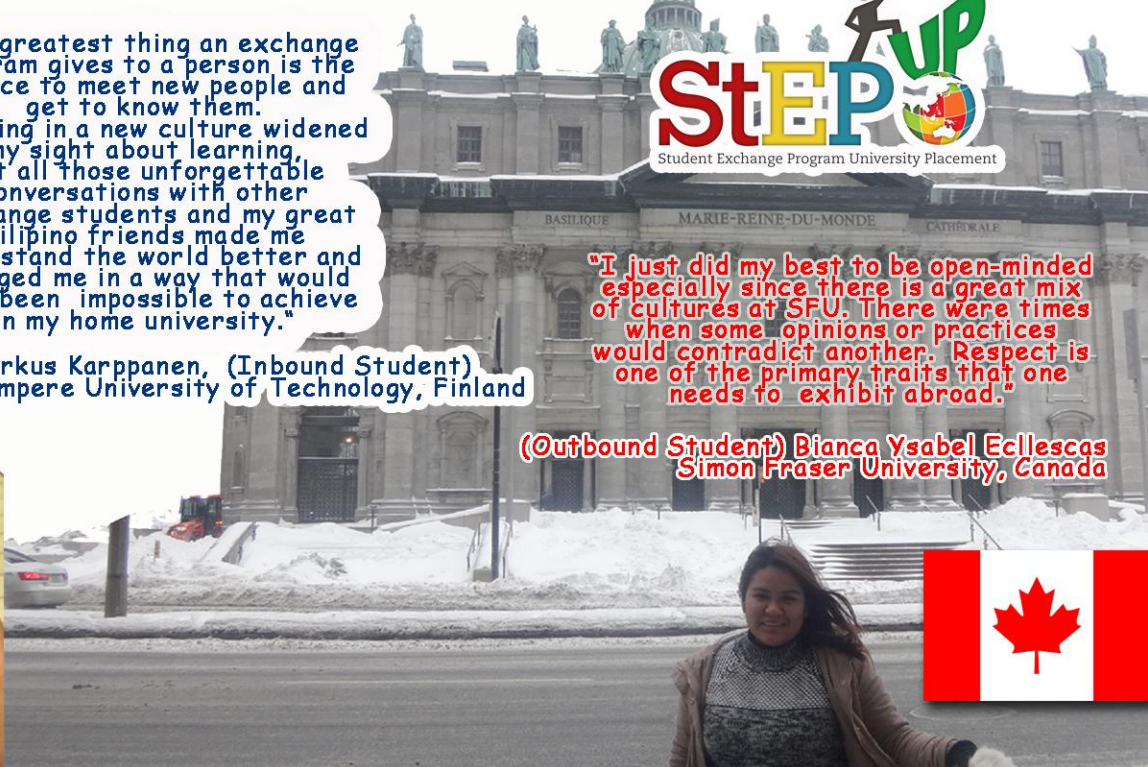
"The greatest thing an exchange program gives to a person is the chance to meet new people and get to know them. Studying in a new culture widened my sight about learning, but all those unforgettable conversations with other exchange students and my great Filipino friends made me understand the world better and changed me in a way that would have been impossible to achieve in my home university."

Markus Karppanen, (Inbound Student)  
Tampere University of Technology, Finland



"I just did my best to be open-minded especially since there is a great mix of cultures at SFU. There were times when some opinions or practices would contradict another. Respect is one of the primary traits that one needs to exhibit abroad."

(Outbound Student) Bianca Ysabel Ecillescas  
Simon Fraser University, Canada





## LIST OF VISITING PROFESSORS

College	Department	Name	Affiliation	Period of Visit
Ramon V. del Rosario College of Business	Decision Sciences Innovation	Dr. Donald Louis Amoroso	Kennesaw State University, United States of America	February 15 - March 15
College of Liberal Arts	Behavioral Sciences	Prof. Hikohide Tamashiro	Hokkaido University, Japan	January 19 - February 1
College of Liberal Arts	Behavioral Sciences	Dr. Mark Felix	Mahidol University, Thailand	February 1 - February 15
College of Liberal Arts	Psychology	Dr. Cecilia Essau	Roehampton University, United Kingdom	February 8 - February 27
College of Liberal Arts	Social Development	Dr. James Beebe	Center for Rapid Qualitative Inquiry, United States of America	February 14 - March 28
College of Science	Mathematics	Prof. Eiichi Bannai	Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China	February 18 - 23
College of Science	Physics	Dr. Hui Lin Ong	Universiti Malaysia Perlis, Malaysia	March 9 - April 9
College of Science	Chemistry	Dr. Zoraida Aguilar	Zytein, United States of America	March 10 - April 20
Gokongwei College of Engineering	Industrial Engineering	Prof. Dan Trietch	American University of Armenia, Yerevan	January 15 - February 8
Gokongwei College of Engineering	Manufacturing Engineering and Management	Dr. Raouf Naguib	BIOCARE research & Consultancy Int'l, United Kingdom	March 9 - April 8
School of Economics	Economics	Dr. Jesus Dumagan	Philippine Institute for Development Studies	January 7 -April 25

### SHAPE-SEA PROGRAM OF DLSU

The ASEAN University Network-Human Rights Education Network (AUN-HRE) and Southeast Asian Human Rights Studies Network (SEAHRN) held its second meeting in Bangkok, Thailand last February 4, 2015.

The AUN-HREN was established in 2010 and aims to promote and improve human rights education in Southeast Asia while the SEAHRN was founded in October 2009 and is an organization of academic institutions which provides study and outreach programs on human rights.

In its aim to improve the availability and accessibility of human rights and peace research and education in Asia, the SHAPE-SEA program supports research and projects on human rights, peace, and the publication of research outputs on these areas. The program is a collaboration of AUN-HRE, SEAHRN, the Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA), and Mahidol University through its Institute of Human Rights and Peace Studies (IHRP).

Atty. Jocelyn Cruz of the College of Law represented DLSU in the event where the signing of the project agreement on "Strengthening Human Rights and Peace Education in ASEAN/Southeast Asia" (SHAPE-SEA) also took place.

### OU AGREEMENT FOR ACADEMIC EXCHANGE

DLSU ASEAN delegation composed of Dr. Myrna Austria, Dr. Melanie David, Dr. Arlene Pascasio, and Dr. Gil Nonato Santos visited Osaka University (OU) in Japan from March 22 to 29, 2015 to discuss current and potential activities related to the "Agreement of Academic Exchange" between DLSU and OU.

This bilateral agreement allows for staff and student exchange as well as collaborative research. The partnership between the two universities began in May 2003 and has led to an establishment of an OU satellite office at DLSU in 2012. Both universities benefit from the exchange of ideas and knowledge through cooperation and collaboration.



**Jan 4-5**  
**Welcoming and Orientation Program for Inbound Students**

**Jan 5**  
**Exchange Students' Buddy Pairing Activity**

**Jan 28 and Feb 24**  
**International Coffee Hour and Speed Friending**

**Jan 30**  
**My First Step in Manila**

**March 6**  
**Pinoy Games Cup**

**March 26**  
**Inbound Culminating and Farewell Activity**

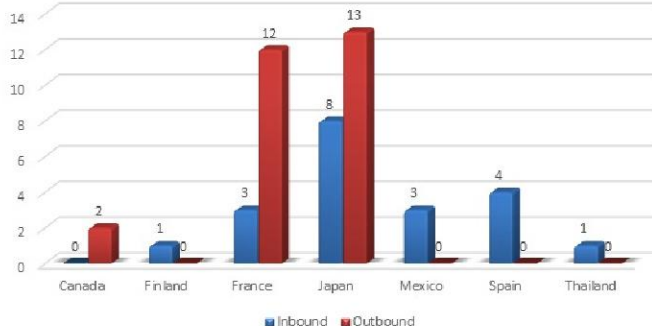




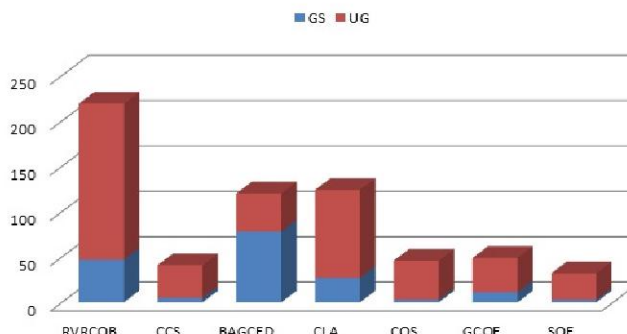
# FACTS AND FIGURES

Total Number of International Students = **631** (Undergraduate -457 / Graduate -174)  
Total Number of Exchange Students = **47** (Inbound -20 / Outbound - 27)

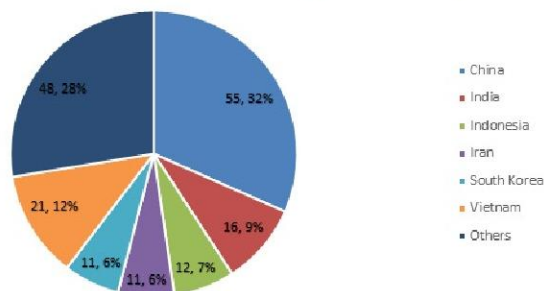
Exchange Students According to Country



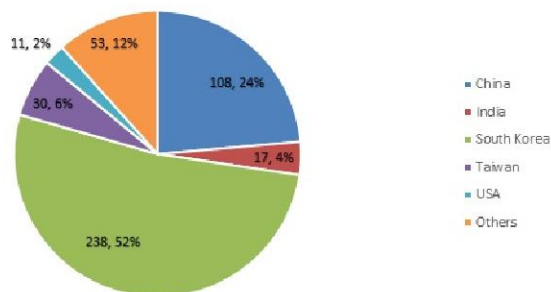
IS According to College/School



Graduate IS According to Nationality



Undergraduate IS According to Nationality



- \* Ms. Mia Navas attended the SEAMEO RIHED – Fulbright Thailand 2015 International Workshop on “Innovative, Rigorous, and Open-minded IROs” last 12 – 16 May 2015 in Bangkok, Thailand.
- \* Dr. Alvin B. Culaba represented De La Salle University to the Information Day for ASEM (Asia-Europe meeting) members on the international dimension of the European Union’s Erasmus+ programme (2014-2020). The event took place in Riga, Latvia on 29 April 2015, back-to-back with the ASEM Ministerial Meeting on Education (ASEMME5, 27-28 April 2015).
- \* Dr. Voltaire Mistades, Dr. Alvin Culaba, and Mr. Reodel Masilungan represented DLSU to the 7th AUN-ACTS Steering Committee Meeting hosted by Vietnam National University-Hanoi, Vietnam, last 1-2 April 2015.

- \* Ms. Marieta P. Guanzon of COSCA represented DLSU to the 7th ASEAN Learning Network Council Meeting last 27-29 March 2015 in Hat Yai, Thailand.
- \* Dr. Ador R. Torneo of the Political Science Department represented DLSU to the Asian University Network - ASEAN Cyber University (AUN-ACU) Collaborative Workshop for Innovative Course Operation of “ASEAN Studies” last 26-29 March 2015 at the Seoul Cyber University - Seoul, Korea.
- \* Dr. Alvin Culaba attended the AUN-QA Chief Quality Officers’ Meeting 2015 hosted by Vietnam National University-Hanoi, last 30-31 March 2015.
- \* Dr. Alvin Culaba was an Assessor at the AUN-QA Quality Assessment at Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS) in Surabaya, Indonesia last 10 – 12 February 2015.

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