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#### Faculty, students reap honors from various local, international bodies

CONTINUING THE LASALLIAN TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE AND SERVICE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE FIELDS, DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEMBERS AND STUDENTS, particularly in the fields of humanities, business and economics, and engineering, were recently recognized by various national and international award-giving bodies.

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#### Fellowship Award for Excellence in Education

The Asia Pacific Consortium of Researchers and Educators recently bestowed the Matthew Eichler Memorial Fellowship Award for Excellence in Education on DLSU Research and Grants Management Office Executive Director and Department of Philosophy Full Professor Dr. Feorillo Petronilo Demeterio.

He is considered part of the second wave of Filipino philosophers who established a distinctly Filipino philosophical tradition.

As a Visayan hailing from Maasin City Leyte, he is a leading champion of the Filipino language and Filipino Philosophy. He authored and co-authored books and over a hundred published articles to date. He is also a recipient of various accolades and awards such as fellowships, professorial chairs, essays, and book awards, including an Outstanding Alumnus Award in the Field of Philosophy by the Graduate School of the University of Santo Tomas.

He received his Bachelor of Philosophy, magna cum laude, and Bachelor of Sacred Theology, magna cum laude, at the University of Santo Tomas. He obtained his Licentiate of Philosophy, magna cum laude, and Master of Arts in Philosophy, Meritissimus, at the same university. He completed his Doctor of Philosophy in Philippine Studies (with a specialization in Comparative Literature, Social Psychology, and Philosophy) at the



#### ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organizations Honorary Fellow Award

Full professor of the DLSU Department of Chemical Engineering Dr. Nathaniel Dugos received the ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organizations (AFEO) Honorary Fellow Award during the 40th Conference of the ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organizations (CAFEO40) held last December 5 to 7 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

Dugos

AFEO is a non-governmental body composed of engineering institutions and organizations of ASEAN countries. It seeks to promote goodwill and mutual understanding as well as to establish and develop an ASEAN baseline standard for the engineering profession with the objective of facilitating the mobility of the engineers within the ASEAN countries.

AFEO grants the Honorary Fellowship to distinguished corporate members of member organizations or non-members of acknowledged eminence, with outstanding and meritorious services to the engineering profession, the institution and/or the ASEAN member countries..

#### Winner of the 2022 Ernst & Young Global Delivery Services Young Tax Professional of the Year

A DLSU student of BS Accountancy and BS in Applied Economics emerged as the winner of the 2022 Ernst & Young Global Delivery Services Young Tax Professional of the Year.

Trisha Huang, a student majoring in Financial Economics, was selected from the final Top 5 who were chosen from over 2,200 participants coming from 36 colleges and universities across Argentina, India and the Philippines.

GDS Tax Leader Ashu Rathor shared that after six months of intense scrutiny and multiple rounds of evaluations, the Top 10 emerged and gave way to the Top 5 who battled it out at the final round of the competition, which was held last December 6. The awarding ceremony was held on December 8.

For her case study presentation and defense, Huang discussed before a panel of global jury the role of tax in promoting sustainability.

Her performance marked DLSU's winning the top prize for the second year in a row.



#### DLSU NMUN bags top awards in Kobe meet

THE DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY DELEGATION TO THE NATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS (NMUN) IN KOBE, JAPAN WON TOP AWARDS IN THE CONFERENCE AND ELEVATED DLSU AS THE ONLY UNIVERSITY WITH ALL COUNTRY REPRESENTATIONS WINNING OUTSTANDING DELEGATION AWARDS. The delegation represented Australia, Eswatini, and Ireland.

The conference was held from November 20 to 27. This was Japan's second hosting of NMUN which coincided with the 66th Anniversary of Japan's accession to the United Nations and the 76th Anniversary of the host university, the Kobe City University of Foreign Studies.

NMUN Japan 2022 was participated in by 400 delegates and faculty from 44 universities and colleges from 12 different countries. Team DLSU was composed of 16 delegates with Britney Mae Paderes and Roschaela Gabrielle Oabel as Head Delegates. The other delegates were Gio Jerson Almonte, Jerik Adrian Bayon, Marc David Cuerpo, Samantha Ysabel de Leon, Marianne Era, Beatrice Cristina Gaite, Calista Dominique Garcia, Ysabel Garcia, Diane Therese Huldong, Alecxis Bianca Libang, Miko Jade Oberes, Jazzmin Krishna Padua, Kenhiro Tsumura, and Jan Christian Uy.

The accompanying DLSU trainers were Theodore Christopher Alberto and Benedict Rafael Mateo. Political Science faculty member Allen Surla serves as the group's adviser.

The 16-member DLSU Team was divided into three subdelegations that represented Australia, Eswatini, and Ireland, and were distributed in four UN Committees. It is very rare in NMUN conferences for all three country-representations of one university to win Outstanding Delegation Awards, the highest awards in the conference. The delegates representing Ireland in the UN General Assembly (GA) Committee, Calista Garcia and Samantha de Leon, were also chosen Outstanding Delegates in the GA Committee. The delegates representing Eswatini in the same Committee, Roschaela Oabel and Britney Paderes, along with the delegates of Australia, Miko Jade Oberes and Jerik Adrian Bayon, won Outstanding Position Paper Awards for the GA Committee.

NMUN is the world's largest simulation of Model United Nations. University students from all over the world step into the shoes of diplomats and work feverishly to propose resolutions addressing disarmament, regional conflicts, peacekeeping, human rights, women and children, economic and social development, and the environment. (Contributed by Allen Surla)





#### Best Paper in Engineering Education confab

DLSU DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING FACULTY MEMBERS DR. ANDRES WINSTON ORETA, ENGR. DANIEL NICHOL VALERIO, AND ENGR. RAINIER LAWRENCE VALDEZ WON THE BEST PAPER AWARD FOR THEIR RESEARCH "HYBRID ADAPTATION OF TEACHING AND LEARNING STRATEGIES FOR A CIVIL ENGINEERING COURSE ON STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS" at the 8th International Conference on Engineering Education-Philippines 2022 (ICEE-Phil 2022) last December 9-10. Organized by the Philippine Association of Engineering Schools, the conference was its first hybrid conference, gathering more than 200 online and onsite participants.

In their paper, the team shared the results of a preliminary survey on the effectiveness of the adapted syllabus and various teaching and learning activities. They gave a summary of the adaptation of the course, CESTRUC or Theory of Structures to a hybrid teaching and learning platform.

### GCOE faculty receives NRCP Gabay Award

DLSU GOKONGWEI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING FACULTY MEMBER DR. NEIL STEPHEN LOPEZ, TOGETHER WITH HIS RESEARCH TEAM, WAS AWARDED THE GABAY AWARD GIVEN BY THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF THE PHILIPPINES at the Bayleaf Hotel in Intramuros, Manila last December 5 for their policy analysis research work on electric vehicle adoption in the Philippines.

The NRCP Gabay Award is given to active members whose research works have resulted in or translated to adopted technologies and policies or have informed policy decisions. Over 50 entries from the different NRCP scientific Divisions were screened for this year's search.

The team's Electric Vehicle Policy Analysis Report tackles various issues, including human resources, economic impacts, grid implications, demand projections, and environmental impacts.

The research was conducted through the support of the Department of Trade and Industry, funding from Mitsubishi Motors Corporation,

and collaboration with various researchers from DLSU, Ateneo de Manila University, University of the Philippines, Mapua University, and Technological University of the Philippines.

Other NRCP members from DLSU who contributed to the project are Dr. Jose Bienvenido Manuel Biona (Program Leader), Dr. Aristotle Ubando, and Dr. Ivan Henderson Gue. Other NRCP members of the team are Ateneo de Manila University's Carlos Oppus and Technological University of the Philippines' Teodinis Garcia, Nenet Graza, Carlos Zapanta, Elexis Lauzon, Jennifer Alinsunod, and Lean Karlo Tolentino.



From left: Dr. Cristine Villagonzalo (NRCP President), Dr. Neil Stephen Lopez, Vino Miguel Lopez (son), Normita Lopez (mother), Dr. Aristotle Ubando (GCOE-ADRAS), and Dr. Marieta Bañez-Sumagaysay (NRCP Exec. Director).



NINE WRITERS FROM DLSU WERE CHOSEN AS RECIPIENTS OF THE CARLOS PALANCA MEMORIAL AWARDS FOR LITERATURE HELD LAST YEAR.

The winners are: Andrew Bonifacio Clete (MFA in Creative Writing), 1st Prize in *Dulang may Isang Yugto* for "Punks Not Dead"; Layeta Bucoy (MFA in Creative Writing & Doctor of Philosophy in Literature), 1st Prize in Full-Length Play for "Orgullo Compound" and 2nd Prize for "Dance of the Foolies" in *Dulang may Isang Yugto*; Joshua Lim So (AB Philippine Studies Major in Filipino in Mass Media), 1st Prize in *Dulang Ganap ang Haba* for "Mga Silid ng Unos: Tomo Uno"; Noel Tuazon (MFA in Creative Writing), 1st Prize in Short Story-Cebuano for "Barang"; Rebecca Añonuevo (Doctor of Philosophy in Literature), 2nd Prize in *Tula para sa mga Bata* for "Ale Bangbang"; Ryan Machado (MFA in Creative Writing student), 3rd Prize in *Dulang may Isang Yugto* for "Huling Haraya nina Ischia at Emeteria"; Steven Prince Fernandez (Doctor of Fine Arts in Creative Writing), 3rd Prize in *Dulang Ganap ang Haba* for "Badung"; Dustin Edward Celestino, (AB Philosophy) 3rd Prize in Full-Length Play for "The Lost Filipino Patriots of America"; Lawrence Anthony Bernabe (MFA in Creative Writing student) 3rd Prize in Poetry in English for "The Blue Line".

The awards ceremony was held at the Marquis Events Place in Bonifacio Global City, where a total of 59 writers, 28 of which are first-time awardees, were chosen as this year's recipients.

Named after businessman and philanthropist Don Carlos Palanca Sr., the Palanca Awards continuously seeks to cultivate Philippine Literature by providing incentives for writers and serving as a treasury of these literary gems. It is considered the gold standard in writing excellence, highly coveted by Filipino writers, young and old, here and abroad alike.





Effective Second Semester of AY 2022-2023, the Tañada-Diokno College of Law shall be renamed as the Tañada-Diokno School of Law.

# Department of Philosophy's digital project receives funding from UBCHEA

THE SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY HAS RECEIVED GENEROUS FUNDING FROM THE UNITED BOARD FOR CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION IN ASIA (UBCHEA) through its Whole Person Education Digital Content Development Grant 2022 to develop an online course that will prepare educators to teach higher education students how to conduct research for social transformation.

The course aims to help educators to mentor and nurture students' unique abilities and skills and to harness these for research that impacts communities. The course comprises four modules and will run for three months.

The digital project, Asynchronous Online Course: Teaching Research for Community Impact, reflects the commitment of De La Salle University reflects the commitment of De La Salle University to its Mission-Vision. DLSU continually trains and supports educators who embody the mission of nurturing young adults to be socially engaged and ethical citizens of the world. It provides the tools for the institution and its stakeholders to build their competencies so that the vision and related goals do not remain as such but result in genuine individual and social transformation.

Dr. Jeane Peracullo, the chair of the Department of Philosophy, heads the project team with Jose Ma. Arcadio Malbarosa and Martin Joseph Esteves as members.

# 3rd IPOPHL x DLSU Research Conference supports country's innovation thrust

WITH THE THEME, "A FUTURE-READY SOCIETY THROUGH INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND INNOVATION," THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINES (IPOPHL), THROUGH ITS IP ACADEMY, AND DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY HELD THE 3RD IPOPHL X DLSU RESEARCH CONFERENCE LAST DECEMBER 9.

Over 200 participants joined virtually and in-person, and 27 professionals and students presented their papers.

The following were awarded with Best Paper Presentation: "Development of Innovative Mango Parasite (IMAP) Thermo-Scanner" by Christine May Torres-Reyman, Jessica Berdonar, Rose Marie Estrada, Carl Jerome Nibot, Mohammed Ryan Samson, Armando Gabriel Nachor, and Rhianne Sinelle Valencia.

"Technological Ignatian Pedagogical Content Knowledge of Language Teachers: An Enhanced Framework for Ignatian Schools" by Regiene Chiu. "Development of Electrical Wire Damage Detector" by Filsheryl Sevellejo, Niljen Amardecer, Rick Lee Bohol, Sherida Marie Fabela, Ma. Ella Ilustrisimo, Rhaniella Jorolan, Elisha Oceja, Jairus Ordilla, and Erica Bless Pastrana.

"Voltak Game: An Innovation Activity in Physical Education Classes" by Nestor T. Cuevas, Dr. Chiedel Joan G. San Diego, Dr. Visminda L. Detalla, Dr. Mirian P. Aman, and Mr. Sotero O. Malayao, Jr.

"Network Analysis of the Patent and Utility Model Applications of Higher Education Institutions

in the Philippines" by Atty. Senando Angelo R. Santiago, Mr. Dan Allen Nuesca, Mr. Lyon Alec Fiesta, and Mr. Michael Tanjangco.



Each day renew your offering to God.

Letter 32 - to Brother Gabriel Drolin in Rome

## FACTS and FIGURES

## **Unmasking: An Onsite Book Launch**

6 Authors \* 3 Genres \* 3 Languages

The DLSU Department of Literature held an onsite book launch last December 3, featuring the works of faculty members with new narratives and thought-provoking insights on the Martial Law Period; the stories of local communities and islands in the time of climate change and human-made disasters; the state of rivers and environmental practices; bullying and mental health; the pandemic, our

children, and their coping mechanisms; and time and place as subjects of meditation and interrogation.

Novels

Mesandel Virtusio Arguelles: Asinkrono (De La Salle University Publishing House, 2021) Katrina Tuvera: The Collaborators (Ateneo de Manila University Press, 2022) Clarissa Militante: State of Happiness (University of the Philippines Press, 2022)

Illustrated Poetry Book for Children Vijae Alquisola: Sa Tuwing Ikaw Ay Tahimik (University of the Philippines Press, 2022) Illustrated Children's Books Genevieve Asenjo: Ang Buhok nga Naglimpyo kang Suba Ang Buhok na Naglinis ng Ilog (Aklat Alamid, 2022)

Genaro Gojo-Cruz: Publisher: Rex Bookstore, 2022

Ang Kalasag ni Kara nang Pumutok and Bulkan Ang Kalasag ni Kiko nang Dumating ang Malakas na Lindol Ang Kalasag ni Kaloy, sa panahong may Pandemya Sanhi ng COVID-19 Ang Kalasag ni Kala, Nang Dumating ang Mabagsik na Bagyo Ang Kalasag ni Kokoy, nang Gumuho ang Lupa Naalala Ko ang Akin Paaralan *(Lampara Books, 2022)* 



#### Source: Department of Literature



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