DLSU RESEARCH CENTERS, FACULTY RECEIVE NRCP AWARDS

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY’S INSTITUTE OF BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING AND HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES (IBEHT) AND THE CENTER FOR ENGINEERING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH (CESDR) were recognized as 2022 National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP) Outstanding Institutions at the NRCP Annual Scientific Conference held last March 10-11 at the Philippine International Convention Center, Pasay City.
DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY EXPANDS ITS INTERNATIONAL NETWORK IN THE 2023 ASIA-PACIFIC ASSOCIATION FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION (APAIE) CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION. The event was held in Queen Sirikit National Convention Center, Bangkok, Thailand from March 13 to 17, 2023.

APAIE aims to advance higher education through greater cooperation between institutions; to support international programs, activities, and exchanges; and to promote international education within the region. The University delegation was headed by Vice President for External Relations and Internationalization Dr. Laurene Chua-Garcia. During the confab, she was tasked to present the country report where she highlighted the challenges and opportunities of the education sector in the new normal.

Chua-Garcia was also a presenter in the “Collegial Partnerships and Mobility” session. Moreover, she served as a panelist in the ASEAN-Australia TNE Workshop.

UNIVERSITY EXPANDS LINKAGES IN BIGGEST INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF HEIS

The DLSU delegation conducted meetings with more than 30 existing and prospective HEI partners to discuss collaborations which include short-term programs, student and faculty exchanges, bilateral agreements, and other promising initiatives.

More than 2,700 delegates from all over the world have gathered in this year’s APAIE, its first fully in-person event after the pandemic.

Dr. Laurene Chua-Garcia (rightmost) during a panel discussion in APAIE.

In addition, full professor of the Department of Political Science and Development Studies and Director of the Jesse M. Robredo Institute of Governance, Dr. Ador Torneo, was given the 2022 NRCP Achievement Award for Research on Governmental, Educational and International Policies.

The NRCP Awards honor outstanding institutions as well as scientists and researchers in the country for their outstanding contributions in their fields, in line with the NRCP mandate to promote and support research, foster linkages for the development and sharing of scientific information, provide advice on problems and issues of national interest, and promote scientific and technological culture.

For the 2023 Annual Scientific Conference and 90th NRCP General Membership Assembly, the NRCP centered on the theme “Science and Governance: Shaping Policies Towards a VUCA+2 (Visionary, Understandable, Clear, Agile, Digital, Diverse) Future”.

About the centers

The DLSU IBEHT has received a number of patents for its work related to biomedical devices/equipment and health technologies research in the country. Recently, its research “Device for Upper Limb Rehabilitation”, developed with funding from the Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Council for Health Research and Development (DOST-PCHRD) and in partnership with the University of the Philippines-Manila Philippine General Hospital, brought DLSU its first international patent.

It also recently launched a national project that aims to produce a co-designed, sustainable community-based self-management physical rehabilitation program using stroke as a test case.

On the other hand, the DLSU CESDR is mandated to promote, catalyze, and crystalize scientific activities in engineering sciences and technology to achieve strategic advances in complex engineered systems and firm-level technologies necessary for the sustainable development of the country.

It conducts research and development, facilitates the effective transfer of technologies from the academe to industry, and works in close collaboration with various stakeholders including government, industry, and civil society. It underscores education, research, and publication, as well as the need to gain international recognition in the scientific community.

Its areas of research include disaster resilience, intelligent systems, sustainable mobility, sustainability research, thermo-fluids and turbomachinery, and waste and resource management.
THE BIENVENIDO N. SANTOS CREATIVE WRITING CENTER, in cooperation with De La Salle University Publishing House, launched a two-volume book by Lasallian teachers titled, “Kaming mga Lasalyanong Guro: Mga Tinig Mula sa 2401 Taft Avenue” (KMLG) and “We Lasallian Teachers: Memories and Perspectives from 2401 Taft Avenue” (WLST) last March 16 at The Learning Commons.

The launch was part of the 16th DLSU Arts Congress activities. The Filipino volume KMLG was edited by Dr. Ernesto Carandang II, while the English volume WLST was edited by Vicente Garcia Groyon. The twin books are collections of personal essays by Lasallian professors about their teaching life at the Manila Campus of DLSU.

Contributors include the late National Artist for Literature Dr. Cirilo Bautista, Dr. Clodualdo del Mundo, Jr., Dr. Isagani Cruz, Dr. Ma. Lourdes Bautista, Dr. Marjorie Evasco, Dr. Efren Abeug, Jose Javier Reyes, Dr. Florentino Timbreza, Dr. Wilfrido Villacorta, Dr. Teresa Tullao, Jr., the late Dr. Exaltacion Lamberte, Dr. Antonio Contreras, Alfredo Robles, Jr., and Dr. Laurene Chua-Garcia.

The twin books are aimed at preserving the stories and memories of Lasallian educators in the country; contributing to the history of Lasallian education in the Philippines; and demonstrating the various ways by which the teachings and philosophy of St. John Baptist de La Salle have found embodiment in and animated the lives of Filipino educators and students; and engaging critically with changing notions of Lasallian pedagogical principles, philosophies, and practices.

Brother President Bernard Oca, FSC wrote the Preface to the two books, and former BNSCWC director Dr. Ronald Baytan wrote the Afterword.

For copies of the books, inquire at bnscwc@dlsu.edu.ph.

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY’S TANADA-DIOKNO SCHOOL OF LAW HELD ITS FIRST HAPAG: LEADERS AND LUMINARIES NIGHT LAST MARCH 3 AT THE RUFINO CAMPUS. Hapag is a unique platform for DLSU Law students to engage with and be inspired by luminaries who will impart their knowledge and skills from their many years in the legal profession.

Twelve Hapag pioneer students met with Justice Maria Filomena Singh, the 194th Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines, during the event. Br. Bernard Oca FSC, University President, and Atty. Virgilio delos Reyes, dean of the Tanada-Diokno School of Law, also graced the occasion.

The featured guest, Justice Singh, graduated with a degree in English major in Imaginative Writing, cum laude, at the University of the Philippines. She earned her Juris Doctor degree with Second Honors distinction from Ateneo de Manila University School of Law. She then pursued a Master of Laws in International Legal Studies at the American University, Washington College of Law. She was admitted to the Philippine Bar in 1992 and after 10 years of law practice, she entered the judiciary track.

Participants asked about her law school experience and her practice of the legal profession. “This initiative gives us an idea of what to expect once we hurdle law school,” a student remarked.

In his message, Br. Bernie lauded the activity, saying it was “a chance for two generations to meet, learn from each other, and hopefully, be mutually inspired.”

Hapag is envisioned as a regular forum for eminent legal professionals to share their knowledge and experiences with DLSU Law students.
TRISHA HUANG (BS IN APPLIED ECONOMICS, MAJOR IN FINANCIAL ECONOMICS & BS IN ACCOUNTANCY) emerged as first runner-up during the recently concluded EY Young Tax Professional of the Year (YTPY) International Competition, held in London from March 13 to 14.

In December 2022, Trisha was selected as the champion of the EY Global Delivery Services (GDS) Young Tax Professional of the Year 2022 from more than 2,200 participants from India, Argentina, and the Philippines.

The following month, she was chosen as one of the top 10, earning her spot in the London round. Last March 13, the top 10 finalists had 15 minutes for the presentation and Q&A with the EY leaders: Marna Ricker, Susan Pitter, Jennifer Wishnie, and Andrew Lapa. Their presentation revolved around the idea “how tax can contribute to advancing sustainable long-term value for the global economy and the global community.”

Department of Accountancy faculty member Dr. Florence Tugas served as her coach.

LAST MARCH 15, DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY, THROUGH THE STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND FORMATION OFFICE, LAUNCHED THE DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP POLICY through a live discussion and orientation at the Verdure of the Henry Sy, Sr. Hall.

The discussion was led by the Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Christine Ballada, together with SDFO Director Michael Millanes, College of Computer Studies faculty member Allan Borra, and student Martina Madrelejos. The event was part of the activities of the Discipline Formation Month.

The DLSU Digital Citizenship Policy was created to provide the grounding principles on digital technology in the conduct of various activities that support teaching and learning in the University.

Contained in this blueprint are fundamental principles on safety and protection, respect, and education of the members of the DLSU community as they access and use information as well as interact and transact in the digital world.

“I am a Digital Citizen. I am Safe. I am Savvy. I am Social.”

To view the DLSU Digital Citizenship Policy, please scan the QR code.

In the light of faith, you see things quite differently.”

” Letter 118 - to a laywoman, date unknown
THE DLSU COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS (CLA) AND UNIVERSITAS MUHAMMADIYAH YOGYAKARTA (UMY) FAKULTAS ILMU SOSIAL & ILMU POLITIK (UMY-FISIPOL) entered into a partnership in a signing ceremony last February 13 at the 15th floor of the DLSU Henry Sy, Sr. Hall.

In their Memorandum of Understanding, the parties agreed to promote student and faculty exchange, joint research activities and publications, exchange of journals and other materials containing academic information, lectures and symposia, dual/double degree program, and other academic undertakings.

Meanwhile, they also signed a Memorandum of Agreement for a high-quality dual degree program, which seeks to contribute to capacity development and opportunity enhancement for students in both universities.

DLSU representatives included Brother President Bernard Oca FSC, Vice President for External Relations and Internationalization Dr. Laurene Chua-Garcia, and College of Liberal Arts Dean Dr. Rhoderick Nuncio.

Representing UMY were Vice Rector for Cooperation and International Affairs Prof. Dr. Achmad Nurmandi, M.Sc., Head of International Relations Office Idham Badruzaman, Ph.D., and Faculty of Social and Political Sciences Dean Dr. Takdir Ali Mukti. S.Sos., M.Si.

CLA partners with Indonesian university

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY HONORED THE COUNTRY’S JOURNALISTS FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY STORIES ON YOUTH AND EDUCATION featured in print, online, and broadcast media at the 18th Lasallian Scholarum Awards (LSA) held at the Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall of the DLSU Manila Campus last March 22.

“As an educational institution, we find this a good venue to advocate the development of our youth and education sectors,” DLSU President Br. Bernard Oca FSC, said as he welcomed guests and finalists.

The annual LSA event centered on the theme, “Youth: Represent,” underscoring the call to support the development of the two sectors while acknowledging the role of the media in raising awareness on some of the most pressing issues affecting most pressing issues affecting the youth today.

For this year, LSA, in partnership with the Student Media Office, launched a new category, the Outstanding Media Personality.

For this year, the members of the LSA external board of judges were the following: Marcia Gokongwei, Managing Director, Operations & Corporate Functions BCFG, Universal Robina Corp. and Director, Gokongwei Brothers Foundation; Dr. Arthur Casanova, Komisyoner ng Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino; Leah Villalon, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, National Youth Commission; Danzel Fernandez, Board Member, Province of Laguna; and Br. Richie Yap FSC, National Brother Adviser of the Signum Fidei Association in the Philippines and DLSU SHS faculty.

Professional category winners received a one-of-a-kind Toym De Leon Lmao sculpture for their work.

DLSU commissioned iSentia, an independent media monitoring company, to provide the screening committee with stories that came out from November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022.

The entries were initially screened and shortlisted by a pool of award-winning writers and faculty members of DLSU.

Lasallian Scholarum Awards winners with LSA judges.

Photo by: Archers Network
The 2023 Lasallian Scholarum Awards

COMPLETE LIST OF WINNERS

Outstanding feature story on De La Salle University
‘Cancel Culture’ Has Become More Pronounced on Social Media
– DLSU Study
Aytch dela Cruz
OneNews.Ph

Outstanding video feature story on youth and education
Runaway Child Brides - Ang Kuwento ng mga Tumakas sa Buya
Lilian Tiburcio and Bryan Kristoffer J. Brazil
Stand for Truth
GMA News and Public Affairs

Outstanding Published Feature Article on youth and education in a nationally circulated publication
1 of 5 young Filipinos have considered suicide – UP survey
Abby Boiser
Philippine Daily Inquirer

Outstanding online feature story on youth and education
Zero budget for special education in 2023 makes SPED law ‘meaningless’
Kurt Dela Peña
Inquirer.net

Outstanding Media Personality
Alfonso Tomas Araullo
GMA Network

Outstanding Published feature article on youth and education in a school organ
“Rutang Filipino: Unang Hakbang sa Edukasyong Maka-Pilipino?”
Arvene John P. Dela Cruz and Norwin D. Trilles
FEU Advocate

Source: Strategic Communications Office

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