



A message from Pope Francis sent to the participants noted that service learning calls for creative interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary methods in order to assist young people to be leaders and protagonists in building a better future for society as a whole.

“It is my hope that the reflections and discussions with regard to this theme will help develop in young people a greater awareness of the relationship that should exist between the “languages” of the mind, the heart, and the hands,” he said.

The gathering highlighted the potential of SL to empower students, promote community collaboration, and foster spiritual growth. It delved into the themes of student engagement, community partnership, and spiritual reflection, with speakers and presentations from Argentina, the USA, Australia, Brazil, Germany, Italy, Chile, Poland, the Philippines, Kenya, and other countries.

At the closing ceremony, a student from the DLSU College of Science, Alfonso Gabriel Solidum, shared his Service Learning experience of being able to apply lessons from his medical parasitology class to a disadvantaged community in Manila with the help of the University and the barangay officials.

DLSU Vice President for Lasallian Mission Fritzie de Vera underscored the gift of Service Learning, “a gift that can transform lives and communities.” As she noted the importance of institutionalizing SL, she also cited Uniservitate for creating a community of educators, formators, young people, and community partners, as well as a network of institutions working towards transformation.

FIRST FILIPINO TO RECEIVE 2023 HUI-SUN LECTURE AWARD FROM TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

DLSU DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR AND UNIVERSITY FELLOW DR. ALVIN CULABA received the 2023 Hui-Sun Lecture Award by the National Chung Hsing University (NCHU) in Taichung, Taiwan ROC.

An NAST Academician and a Voting Fellow (FAAET) of the ASEAN Academy of Engineering and Technology, Prof. Culaba is the first Filipino to receive the Award. NCHU Senior Vice President and Distinguished Professor Chao-chin Chang presented the award in the Public Lecture Ceremony last October 6.

Started in March 2001, The Hui-Sun Lecture is the highest honor by NCHU. The Lecture recognizes internationally renowned individuals with varying backgrounds such as Nobel Prize winners, heads of states, important thought leaders, leaders of national academies such as Academia Sinica, and luminaries in business and academe.

Previous awardees include the former Vice President of Taiwan ROC, Academician Professor Chen Chien-Jen; former Vice President of Academia Sinica, Academician Dr. Fu-Tong Liu; and former President of the National Taiwan Ocean University, National Chair Professor Ching-Fong Chang.

NCHU is a research-led comprehensive university and among the world’s top universities listed in the THE and QS Rankings.

Prof. Alvin Culaba receives the award from Prof. Chao-chin Chang.



DLSU IMPROVES RANKING IN 2024 QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS: ASIA

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY REMAINS AS ONE OF ASIA'S TOP HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS, according to higher education analyst QS Quacquarelli Symonds.

DLSU improved its rankings in the 2024 Quacquarelli Symonds World University Rankings: Asia, placing in the 154th spot, climbing 17 places from the previous year. The University is also the country's top ranked HEI in the Staff with PhD indicator.

The University also improved in the employer reputation indicator this year.

According to Vice President for Research and Innovation Dr. Raymond Tan, "International rankings give us a yardstick for measuring our global competitiveness, which is important for ensuring that DLSU degrees open doors to career opportunities for our students and alumni."



BIOLOGY FACULTY WINS ACADEMY FOR WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS AWARDS

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY FACULTY MEMBER DR. CHONA CAMILLE ABELEDO WAS RECOGNIZED among the Most Notable Alumni of the Manila Cohort during the Academy for Women Entrepreneurs (AWE) Philippine Summit held recently.

AWE is a US-supported business learning program organized by the US Embassy in the Philippines and implementing partner SPARK! Philippines.

Abelede joined 80 other alumni from all over the country. She represented DLSU and her research team, CrabTech Innovations.

Meanwhile, her team also won 2nd place in the 2023 AWE Indo-Pacific Summit for Women in Tech pitch competition. Their project, CrabTECH, features two key technologies: Crabifier and Alinmango, which have impacted the lives of the 220 farms that have used these technologies.

In 2022, CrabTech also won in the culminating competition of a training program sponsored by Hatch Blue and Conservation International held in Bali, Indonesia.

The inaugural Indo-Pacific Women in Tech Summit under the Academy for Women Entrepreneurs program was staged last November 14-16 in Taipei City. It was jointly organized by the Ministry of Economic Affairs' Small and Medium Enterprise and Startup Administration and the American Institute in Taiwan.

The event was attended by entrepreneurs from Taiwan, Brunei, India, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Philippines, and the US.



Abelede

CCS FACULTY TEAM BAGS AWARD AT 2023 PLDT & SMART STARTUP INNOVATION CHALLENGE

VISON TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION, THE FIRST OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY SPIN-OFF COMPANY FROM DLSU COLLEGE OF COMPUTER STUDIES, won 2nd runner-up in the PLDT & SMART Startup Innovation Challenge (PSSIC) 2023 held during the Philippine Digital Convention 2023 at the Manila Marriott Hotel last October 13.

Established through a grant from the DOST Funding Assistance for Spin-off and Translation of Research in Advancing Commercialization (FASTRAC), the startup company is composed of computer scientists and researchers.

The team is composed of: Dr. Joel Ilao, director of Advanced Research Institute for Informatics, Computing and Networking and College of Computer Studies faculty member (Project Leader); Jonathan Paul Cempron, CCS part-time faculty member; Salie Siao, Ramon V. del Rosario College of Business part-time faculty member; Paulo Luis Lozano, academic service faculty from DLSU Innovation and Technology Office; Jacky Beredo, CCS part-time faculty member; and Dr. Macario Cordel II, head of DLSU Andrew L. Tan Data Science Institute.

According to the team, the company is focused on developing vision-based solutions to enhance data-driven decision-making across various industries. Their flagship technology, TITAN, has been utilized to process video footage and automate the counting, classification, and analysis of car movements on a major highway in Singapore.

This effort facilitated a study aiming to install wind turbines for harnessing renewable energy. VISON Tech expressed its commitment

to co-create innovative solutions and foster impactful partnerships with their clients.

For garnering the second runner-up prize at the PSSIC 2023, the team received Php 150,000 in cash and Php 100,000 in Google Credits.



CCS TEAMS GARNER PRIZES AT TREND UNIVERSITY CAPTURE THE FLAG CONTEST

DLSU STUDENTS TAKING UP BS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE MAJOR IN NETWORK AND INFORMATION SECURITY bagged the second and third spots at the Trend University Capture the Flag (CTF), Trend Micro Careers Philippines announced on its Facebook page last November 3.

On its website, Trend Micro describes CTF events as “a unique, fun, and engaging way to learn security concepts and gain new skills.” Its online games last a few hours and are accessible from any computer with a browser.

DLSU Packet Tracer, the second place winner, is composed of third year students Aaron Lenser Abdon, Judilee Christian Ang, Sebastian Diaz, Richard John Pecson Jr., and fourth year student Rainier Loyola.

Third placer HackDogs is composed of 4th year students Jose Miguel Escalona, Garhy Aaron Guarne, Arquiel Herrera, Don David Muros, and Jan Corwin Panahon.

CTF challenges introduce the participants to tactics and techniques used by hackers in targeted attacks: spear-phishing, drive-by-download, persistence, fileless payload and more. For this year’s event, the DLSU teams were among the 120 teams that participated in the Trend University CTF.





CLA HOLDS SERVICE-LEARNING WORKSHOP

THE DLSU COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS (CLA) OFFICE, THROUGH THE ASSISTANT DEAN FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND LASALLIAN MISSION (ADEALM), hosted the virtual Service-Learning Orientation last October 4 and the first-ever SL Syllabus Integration Writeshop last October 11 at the Henry Sy, Sr. Hall, with the Center for Social Concern and Action (COSCA) facilitating the event.

During the SL orientation, COSCA Service-Learning specialists discussed the theoretical-historical foundations of service learning and their connection to the Lasallian Mission.

They defined service learning and highlighted its numerous benefits, delved into the various models for SL integration, and provided an overview of designing the reflection and service components.

SL practitioners Dr. Jeane Peracullo and Dr. Anne Richie Balgos shared their insights, experiences, and strategies for successfully weaving service learning into their courses.

The collective effort culminated in developing customized syllabi as the participants expressed their commitment to nurture socially responsible Lasallian student leaders.

STUDENTS WIN AT PHILIPPINE STATISTICS QUIZ REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

DLSU STUDENTS PERFORMED WELL AT THE 27TH PHILIPPINE STATISTICS QUIZ - NCR REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP last November 10 at the Park Inn Hotel in Quezon City.

Department of Mathematics and Statistics student Martin Johan Ocho won 3rd place, while Daniel Angelo Glean and Alexander Joseph Robale reached the final stage of the competition. They were under the mentorship of faculty member Frumencio Co.

Meanwhile, Rienzel Kristian Galang (BS Computer Science CBL), mentored by Luisette Candelaria and Yesa Lawas, emerged as Top 7 in the competition.

The 2023 Search for the Country's Young Statistics Whizzes was organized by the Philippine Statistics Authority and the Philippine Statistical Association, Inc.



MATH WHIZ FROM DLSU INTEGRATED SCHOOL

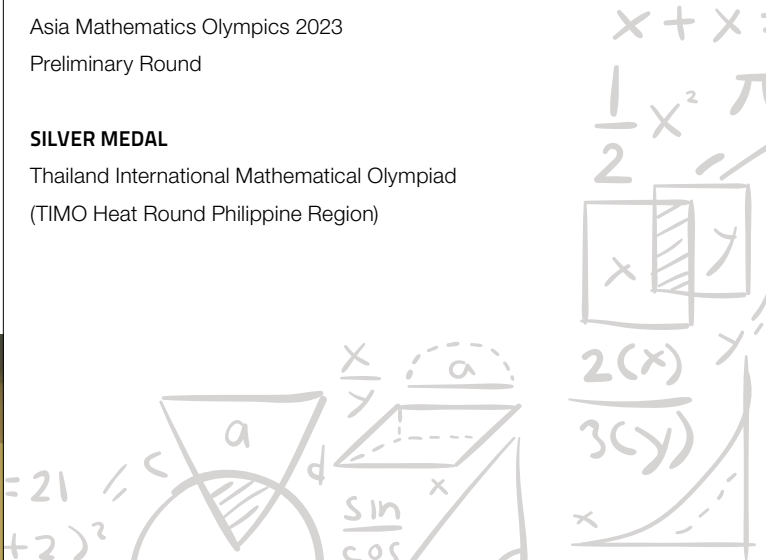


GRADE 8 STUDENT MA. GRACIELLA AGATHA VEDAR garnered awards in three consecutive Math olympiads last October 8.

SILVER MEDAL
Fermat Mathematical Olympiad
National Round 2023- Philippine Result

SILVER MEDAL
Asia Mathematics Olympics 2023
Preliminary Round

SILVER MEDAL
Thailand International Mathematical Olympiad
(TIMO Heat Round Philippine Region)



“ Let us pray before starting whatever we need to do. ”

Bela Falle

Med. 107.1, Feast of St. Matthias

FACTS and FIGURES

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IV GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM UNISERVITATE

De La Salle University, Manila, Philippines

Transformative Service Learning

• 42

Participating countries



• 272

Total attendees
(in-person and virtual)



• 34

Institutions represented by
the speakers, moderators,
reactors, and concurrent session
paper presenters



• 66

Accepted extended abstracts
on three topics:
Student Engagement
Community Partnership
Spiritual Reflection



• 13

E-posters on Student Engagement
(to view, click: <https://miro.com/app/board/uXjVNVqn8xw=/>)

Source: Center for Social Concern and Action



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