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The universities were assessed in the following areas: Teaching (learning environment); Research environment (volume, income and reputation); Research quality (citation impact, research strength, research excellence and research influence); International outlook (staff, students and research); and Industry (income and patents).

Vice President for Research and Innovation Prof. Raymond Tan said: "Research universities contribute to national interest and to global aspirations by advancing the state of human knowledge. International rankings give us a yardstick to see how we measure up to such expectations."

The 2024 edition of the rankings includes 739 HEIs from 31 territories that met the rankings criteria.

For more information, visit: https://www.timeshighereducation.com/world-university-rankings/2024/regional-ranking



The Bienvenido N. Santos Creative Writing Center, in cooperation with the Department of Literature, launched *Weaving Basey*:

A Poet's History of Home, the new book of University Fellow, Literature professor, and award-winning author Dr. Dinah Roma last April 13 at the DLSU Henry Sy, Sr. Hall.

Conceptualized following the devastation wrought by Typhoon Yolanda in 2013, the book is the poet's narrative of home that tells of the journey to recovery, healing, and hope. It features a blend of memoir and local history, poems, as well as visuals and photos that aid in locating her hometown Basey in the physical world.

Roma's initial manuscript was selected as one of only three proposals from among 69 entries that received a trust fund grant from the National Book Development Board (NBDB) in 2015. At the launch, she shared that while she completed the manuscript in 2018, it was during her sabbatical in 2023 that she was able to rework sections that made the manuscript different from the original.

"How wonderfully Dinah has herself woven in the weaving tradition of her hometown, her memories and romance with the place of her birth, expressed in the language of a great writer. Basey is a place she hardly knew but rediscovered, with gratitude to the many influences left on her," former chair of the National Book Development Board Neni Sta. Romana-Cruz remarked during the program.

Weaving Basey (Katig Writers Network Inc., 2024) is Roma's first collection of essays. Part of the development of the book project unfolded at the Eastern Visayas State University, which in 2022 hosted a series of dialogues on the lessons learned from Typhoon Yolanda.

She is the author of four books of poetry—A Feast of Origins (2004, National Book Award for Poetry in English), Geographies of Light (UST 2011), Naming the Ruins (Vagabond Press, 2014), and We Shall Write Love Poems Again (2021, National Book Award for Poetry in English). In 2019, the Unyon ng mga Manunulat sa Pilipinas (UMPIL) conferred on her the Gawad Francisco Balagtas for Poetry.



SCIENCE EDUCATION PROFS BAG AWARDS IN JAPAN CONFERENCE

Science Education faculty members from

De La Salle University (DLSU) and De La Salle Araneta

University (DLSAU) were recognized during the 15th International

Conference on E-Education, E-Business, E-Management and

E-Learning (IC4E 2024) in Fukuoka, Japan last March 18-21.

DLSU representatives Dr. Maricar Sison Prudente and Dr. Lydia Roleda and DLSAU representative Dr. Socorro Aguja (DLS-AU) were given the Outstanding Contribution Award.

Furthermore, Roleda was named the Best Reviewer during the conference.

In another development, undergraduate Science and Math Education students from BAG CED participated in the International Education



Program in Bangkok, Thailand last March 16-22. The students attended the 2nd International Conference on Happiness and Well-being hosted by the Tomorrow People Organization.

The group also visited La Salle School Bangkok (Bang Na).

The students toured Thai temples and museums for the cultural immersion component of the program. Funding support was provided by the Parents of University Students Organization.



Industry partnership to strengthen career opportunities for alumni

In a significant step towards fostering career opportunities for its graduates,

De La Salle University recently inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Philippine Batteries Inc. and Northpoint Inc. on April 23 at the Manuel N. Tordesillas Conference Room, DLSU Henry Sy, Sr. Hall. The signing ceremony marked a strategic collaboration aimed at extending assistance for the career placements of DLSU graduates.

Aligned with the university's mission of nurturing holistic development and ensuring the success of its alumni, the MOU signifies a commitment to providing students with avenues for professional growth and employment opportunities upon graduation.

DLSU Career and Counseling Services Office (OCCS) Director Elaine Marie Aranda delivered

the welcome remarks and expressed her enthusiasm about the partnership, highlighting the mutual benefits it would bring to both organizations and DLSU graduates.

Through this partnership, DLSU students will gain access to internship programs, career development workshops, and job placement services provided by Philippine Batteries Inc. and Northpoint Inc.

In her message, Vice President for Human Resource Management and Corporate Recruitment of Philippine Batteries Inc. and Northpoint Inc. Ma. Rochelle Oropesa emphasized the importance of investing in the next generation of talent and creating pathways for their success in the professional world.

Philippine Batteries Inc., the manufacturer of Motolite Batteries, is one of the exporters and distributors of automotive, motorcycle, and industrial battery products and solutions in the Asia-Pacific region. Northpoint Inc. includes brands such as KFC, Tokyo Tokyo, and Mister Donut in their food group division.

Also gracing the ceremony were Shereleine Morales, manager for Talent Acquisition of Northpoint Inc.; Kathyline Po-ahmad, manager for Talent Acquisition of Philippine Batteries, Inc.; Edwin Reyes, executive director of the DLSU Advancement and Alumni Relations Office; Hannah Riñoza, Career Placement Coordinator; and representatives from AARO and OCCS.





DLSU Laguna Campus explores industry collaboration

DLSU Laguna Campus recently welcomed a delegation from Mitsubishi Motors Philippines Corporation (MMPC) led by its Chairman, Noriaki Hirakata. The visit aimed to explore potential avenues for collaboration and cooperation on academic and research initiatives.

Discussions focused on developing mutually beneficial programs that bridge the gap between theory and practice. Possible collaborations include an on-the-job training (OJT) program, which seek to provide DLSU students with valuable real-world experience through internships at MMPC facilities, as well as guest lectures that aim to enrich the academic curriculum by inviting MMPC industry experts to share their knowledge and insights.

Dr. Jonathan Dungca, Vice President for Laguna Campus, led the DLSU representatives during the meeting. He was joined by De La Salle Philippines President Edgar Chua, who concurrently serves as advisory board member of Mitsubishi Motors Philippines Corporation.



VP for Laguna Campus selected to join USAID fellowship program

Prof. Jonathan Dungca, concurrent Vice
President for DLSU Laguna Campus, dean
of the School of Innovation and Sustainability,
and full professor of the Gokongwei College of
Engineering's Department of Civil Engineering,
has been selected to participate in USAID's
U.S.-Philippines Partnership for Skills,
Innovation, and Lifelong Learning (UPSKILL)
Higher Education Innovation Leaders
Fellowship Program.

The UPSKILL Higher Education Innovation

Leaders Fellowship develops emerging leaders from the Commission on Higher Education and higher education institutions (HEIS) as advocates for innovation and impact in higher education.

The UPSKILL Program seeks to strengthen Philippine higher education and address the growing issues of quality, access and relevance of higher education programs.

Designed as a systems-focused approach to achieving results, UPSKILL will provide a time-



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tested approach to address higher education issues in the Philippines by integrating efforts across three critical workstreams: (1) Policy convergence and sectors governance: (2) Higher education institution capacity strengthening; and (3) Regional alliances.

ECE student wins in intercollegiate quiz show

Gokongwei College of Engineering

Department of Electronics and Computer

Engineering (ECE) student

Mark Lawrence Velasco emerged as champion in the Brodkast ng Talino Quiz Show organized by the Organization of Electronics Engineering Students (OECES) of the Technological University of the PhilippinesManila held last April 25-26 at the TUP-Manila IRTC Building.

With the theme "NETWORK: Igniting
Connections of Knowledge for Empowered
Excellence" in its 9th year, the annual
Brodkast ng Talino serves as a platform
for ECE students to stay abreast of current

technological trends and to facilitate the exchange of knowledge among peers.

Faculty members Dr. Argel Bandala and Engr. Dino Dominic Ligutan served as the mentors of the DLSU contingent in the competition.

Top performance in the April 2024 **Civil Engineers board exam**

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) has released the results of the April 2024 Civil Engineers Licensure Examination showing two De La Salle University graduates making it to the top spot.

Ryan Sylvester Sy Chan and Cedric Jerome Carlos Donguines both garnered a percentage rating of 94.30 to make it to first place, the highest score among 6,680 successful examinees.

DLSU - Manila is also named the top performing school with a 90.32% passing rate or 84 of 93 students passing the examination.

JOIN THE GREEN CAMPUS DESIGN CHALLENGE!

Ready to showcase your creativity and make a difference this Earth Day? Participate in the Green Campus Design Challenge and see your designs on sustainable merchandise!

Contest Duration: April 20 to May 13, 2024 Deadline for Entries: May 13, 2024, 12:00 PM

Who Can Join?

Students, faculty, and staff from all DLSU campuses are invited to participate! You can join individually or as a group (max of 3 members).

Theme:

Designs should focus on DLSU as a green and sustainable campus, promote the 5Rs of sustainability, and highlight biodiversity preservation, among other themes.

Selection Criteria:

Entries will be judged based on alignment with Sustainable Development Goals, creativity, impact, aesthetic appeal, and environmental/social responsibility.

How to Submit:

Please use your DLSU email address to upload your one-page description and design file (JPEG format, at least 300 dpi) to this Google submission link.

2,000 for each winner + sample merchandise featuring the design

By submitting an entry, you grant the Sustainability Hub the right to use your design for promotional purposes.



For More Information:

Read the full mechanics here. https://bit.ly/GreenCampusDesignChallenge

Join us in creating a greener, more sustainable future for DLSU and beyond! Let your creativity shine and make a positive impact today!

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FACTS and FIGURES

DLSU among the world's best in 8 subjects in QS university rankings

TOP PHILIPPINE UNIVERSITY

Linguistics (201-250)
Modern Languages (251-300)
Chemical Engineering (401-430)

LONE PHILIPPINE UNIVERSITY

Electrical and Electronic Engineering (501-530)

TOP PHILIPPINE PRIVATE UNIVERSITY

Business and Management Studies (401-450)
Economics & Econometrics (401-450)
Computer Science & Information Systems (651-700)

BROAD SUBJECT AREAS

Arts and Humanities and Social Sciences (401-450) Management (401-450)

SUBJECT AREA

English Language & Literature (201-250)

QS employs the following metrics to evaluate the subject rankings: Reputation indicators which are based on the responses of more than 240,000 employers and academics to QS surveys; Citations per Paper and H-Index which measure research impact and productivity; and International Research Network which assesses cross-border research collaboration.

For more information, visit: https://www.topuniversities.com/subject-rankings/2024.



2401 (twen'te fôr',o, wun) is a landmark number along Taft Avenue. It is the location ID of De La Salle University, home to outstanding faculty and students, and birthplace of luminaries in business, public service, education, the arts, and science. And 2401 is the name of the official newsletter of DLSU, featuring developments and stories of interest about the University.

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