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### DLSU REMAINS AS A LEADING SUSTAINABLE HEI IN 2024 THE IMPACT RANKINGS

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY REMAINS AS A LEADING UNIVERSITY IN THE WORLD IN PURSUING THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs), ACCORDING TO THE 2024 TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION (THE) IMPACT RANKINGS.

DLSU retains its standing this year, placing in the 401-600 bracket. This is the sixth consecutive year that the University has been ranked.

In the 2024 edition, La Salle is ranked in four SDGs: Clean Water and Sanitation (101-200), Responsible Consumption and Production (201-300), Life Below Water (201-300), and Partnership for the Goals (401-600).

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In pursuit of Clean Water and Sanitation or SDG 6, DLSU measures its monthly water consumption per facility on campus to track the volume used and spillage. It has water fountains at various locations on campus to provide clean potable water.

The University also conducts programs and various activities to increase the academic community's awareness of the different issues affecting clean water. Moreover, the University and the local water concessionaire have interconnected their wastewater facilities in compliance with the Laguna Lake Development Authority.

For SDG 12 or Responsible Consumption and Production, DLSU conducted a Waste Analysis and Categorization Study, a baseline research to determine the approximate volume and types of waste being produced on campus on a daily basis. The results served as a technical basis to establish waste management processes as well as partnerships with external institutions.

The University also implemented an Ecological Solid Waste Guidelines for handling waste materials generated by the University. Hazardous waste generated on campus was managed via a partnership with UDENNA, a third party hazardous waste hauler and treater recognized by the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

DLSU was also able to publish its second Sustainability Report covering 2019 to 2021.

In addressing Life Below Water or SDG 14, the Brother Alfred Shields FSC Ocean Research Center (SHORE) continues to conduct various marine studies. Among these is the Capacity Building on Reef Assessment and Coral Taxonomy (CBRACT) Phase 2, a two-year project funded by DOST-PCAARRD. Headed by University Fellow and eminent Marine Biologist Dr. Wilfredo Licuanan, the project aims to refine the Alwan Citizen Science Methods for reef assessment. The project also includes the development of relevant training modules and materials for the faculty of regional higher education institutions and their community partners.

For SDG 17 or Partnership for the Goals, DLSU has fostered international partnerships with public and private institutions through academic exchanges, collaborative research, and social engagement programs.

In April 2024, DLSU joined the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Asia Managers Workshop aimed at advancing regional collaborations and building partnerships that promote SDGs.

According to University Sustainability Office Executive Director Antonio Carlos Maralit, "The Impact Rankings help us measure our achievements and identify what other areas we can work on. As the University pursues the path of sustainability, we shall continue to develop programs and initiatives that localize the SDGs to contribute to the efforts of the global community."

The THE Impact Rankings analyze universities across research, stewardship, outreach, and teaching. The 2024 Impact Rankings assessed 1,963 universities from across the globe.

For more information, visit: https://www.timeshighereducation.com/ impactrankings

# UNIVERSITY FELLOW BAGS CERTIFICATION AS PROFESSIONAL ERGONOMIST

UNIVERSITY FELLOW AND GOKONGWEI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING PROFESSOR DR. ROSEMARY SEVA received the distinguished Certified Professional Ergonomist (CPE) credential from the Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics (BCPE) last May 30.

The BCPE certifies individuals whose education and experience indicate broad expertise in ergonomics, human factors, and user experience (E/HF/UX) and who have passed the written examination.

The mission of the BCPE is to provide E/HF/UX certification to protect the public, the profession, and its professionals by assuring competency standards and advocating the value of certification.

The CPE program is endorsed by the International Ergonomics Association. The BCPE is also a corporate member of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence.





# PARTNERSHIP WITH ABOITIZ FOUNDATION CREATES NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY AND ABOITIZ FOUNDATION INC. EMBARKED ON A SIGNIFICANT COLLABORATION WITH THE SIGNING OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) for the establishment of the Aboitiz Future Leaders Scholarship Program. The ceremony took place on May 2 at the Manuel Tordesillas Conference Room, Henry Sy Sr. Hall, showcasing a commitment to providing educational opportunities to deserving students.

The signing of the MOA highlighted the foundation's aim to recognize and support outstanding undergraduate students through scholarship assistance, facilitated by DLSU.

DLSU Provost and Vice President for Academics Dr. Robert Roleda, in his welcome remarks, affirmed the university's commitment to collaboration with organizations such as Aboitiz Foundation, whose mission is harmoniously aligned with that of the university.

Aboitiz Foundation Inc. President Ana Margarita 'Ginggay' Hontiveros-Malvar expressed the foundation's commitment to supporting education and fostering partnerships, aligning with DLSU's mission to provide educational opportunities.

She shared about the foundation's belief in investing in people and collaborating with DLSU to design programs that provide comprehensive support to Aboitiz scholars. She likewise emphasized the importance of embracing diversity, developing essential skills such as time management and self-discipline, and maintaining a balance between academic and extracurricular activities.

Furthermore, she encouraged scholars to seek support, embrace resilience, and adapt to changes, fostering a learning mindset focused on problem-solving and passion-driven purpose.

DLSU President Br. Bernard Oca FSC, in his message, expressed his gratitude for the support of partners like Aboitiz Foundation and highlighted the importance of service and communal values in shaping a supportive learning environment.

He urged Aboitiz to integrate scholars into real-world experiences through internships, allowing them to understand and address actual workplace challenges, thereby enriching their learning journey and fostering a deeper connection to their purpose.

The ceremony also featured a testimonial from Carl Isaac Pilit Mayuga, a beneficiary of the Aboitiz Foundation Inc., who emphasized the significance of studying at DLSU as a foundational step towards his aspirations.

He further shared that being an Aboitiz scholar has been a transformative and deeply meaningful experience in his life, inspiring him to dream big and pursue his goals with determination.

Also in attendance to witness the forging of partnership were Aboitiz Foundation, Inc. Impact Lead, Future Leaders, Jowelle Ann Cruz; Impact Specialist, Future Leaders, Keen Lyra Perez; DLSU Vice President for Administration Kai Shan Fernandez, Dean of the Gokongwei College of Engineering Dr. Kathleen Aviso, Office for Admissions and Scholarships (OAS) Director Grichelle Prado, OAS staff Patricia Esteban, Advancement and Alumni Relations Office Executive Director Edwin Reyes, and the five beneficiaries of Aboitiz Scholars from the Gokongwei College of Engineering.

#### LAGUNA CAMPUS HOLDS TOPPING-OFF CEREMONY OF ENRIQUE K. RAZON HALL

**DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY LAGUNA CAMPUS CELEBRATES A MAJOR CONSTRUCTION MILESTONE** with the Topping-Off Ceremony of the Enrique K. Razon Hall on May 7.

This ceremony marks the successful completion of the building's structural phase. During this event, the final beam, symbolizing the highest point of the structure, was placed in position.





### **DLSU ADVANCES IN 2025 QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS**

**DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY IMPROVED ITS RANKINGS IN THE 2025 EDITION OF THE QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS,** placing in the 641-650 bracket after being in the 681-690 range in the 2024 edition.

DLSU remains the country's top ranked HEI in the citations per faculty indicator. Moreover, the University raised its standing in both the academic reputation and employer reputation indicators this year.

According to Vice President for Research and Innovation Prof. Raymond Tan, "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. This year's upward movement is a testament to the commitment of DLSU faculty and support staff towards making our institution more internationally competitive, for the benefit of our students and alumni."

For more information, visit: https://www.topuniversities.com/worlduniversity-rankings/2025

## LA SALLE HOSTS 47TH GAWAD URIAN

**IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MANUNURI NG PELIKULANG PILIPINO (MPP) OR THE FILIPINO FILM CRITICS, DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY** hosted the 47th Gawad Urian awarding ceremony at Henry Sy, Sr. Hall last June 8.

Three DLSU College of Liberal Arts faculty members served as judges for the event: CLA Assistant Dean Dr. Shirley Lua, who currently heads the organization, and MPP members Dr. Miguel Rapatan of the Department of Communication and Dr. Anne Frances Sangil of the Department of Literature.

In line with the recent ceremony, an exhibit is showcased at the 10th Floor of The Learning Commons, Henry Sy, Sr. Hall from June 15 to 29, 2024 to honor Lasallian filmmakers who contributed greatly to the film industry.

The exhibit features esteemed alumni filmmakers, Dr. Clodualdo "Doy" del Mundo, Jose "Joey" Javier Reyes, and Maurice Claudio Luis Ruiz de Luzuriaga "Peque" Gallaga.

Dr. Doy del Mundo, renowned screenplay writer and filmmaker, is one of the founding members of the MPP who established the Gawad Urian Awards in 1976. Direk Joey Reyes, who currently sits as the chairman of the Film Development Council of the Philippines, has numerous Gawad Urian Awards, including Best Picture for Makati Ave. (Office Girls) (1993) and Best Screenplay for Pahiram ng Isang Umaga (1989). Reyes also wrote the screenplay for the masterpiece Oro, Plata, Mata (1982), directed by Peque Gallaga, who won the Best Picture at the 7th Gawad Urian Awards. Gallaga was honored with the Natatanging Gawad Urian (Urian Lifetime Achievement Award) in 2008 for his prolific cinematography, including directing and production design.

The exhibit features each awardee's biography, filmography, and major works, accompanied by original scripts, movie posters, photo stills, video clips, and Gawad Urian trophies, among other significant memorabilia.



#### BLOOMSBURY PUBLISHING RELEASES BOOK BY DLSU PHILOSOPHY PROFS

DLSU DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY FACULTY MEMBERS DR. MARK ANTHONY DACELA AND DR. JEREMIAH JOVEN JOAQUIN LAUNCHED THEIR BOOK, Stephen Hetherington on Epistemology: Knowing, More or Less, published by Bloomsbury Publishing Inc. last May 16.

The book is a collection of works by Dr. Stephen Hetherington cutting across topics such as the definition of knowledge, the problems posed by skepticism, the conflicts encountered by various justification theories, the Gettier problem, and so on. The collection contains 11 of Hetherington's published essays, two newly written ones, and a chapter dedicated to an interview with Hetherington, conducted by Dacela and Joaquin.

Dacela and Joaquin wrote that "this book is a celebration of Hetherington's life as a philosopher and an epistemologist extraordinaire." In honor of their friendship, they dedicate this edited work to Hetherington.

Both editors have published research articles in esteemed journals such as Philosophia: International Journal of Philosophy, Kritike, Logos & Episteme, Educational Philosophy and Theory, and Journal of Applied Non-Classical Logics. This publication is particularly unique because it is the first work that brings together Hetherington's "heterodox" views within the contemporary debates in Epistemology.

Stephen

Hetherington on

Epistemology

Knowing, More or Less

Dr. Graham Oppy describes the book as "an excellent entry to, and synopsis of Stephen's writings on topics in Epistemology." The collection also exhibits the philosopher's thought as it develops throughout the years, with Hetherington's first published epistemology paper as the beginning proper.

Copies of Stephen Hetherington on Epistemology: Knowing, More or

Less are available for purchase in Google Books, Google Play, Amazon, and Apple Books. It is also available on the Bloomsbury website. https://www.bloomsbury.com/us/stephen-hetherington-onepistemology-9781350344747/



## SANTUARIO DE LA SALLE RECEIVES ARCHITIZER A+AWARD

IN THE 2024 TYPOLOGY WINNERS-ARCHITIZER A+AWARDS, SANTUARIO DE LA SALLE ON THE DLSU LAGUNA CAMPUS was named as the Popular Choice Winner included in the list of Religious/Memorial Buildings.

The A+Awards boast a jury academy composed of over 250 members who are leaders and professionals, including distinguished luminaries from fields as diverse as fashion, publishing, product design, real estate development and tech.

Envisioned as a pilgrim site of educators from across the globe, the Santuario de La Salle is an inclusive religious space designed by CAZA.

"Santuario de La Salle allows people to connect with their personal faith, their religious community, and with nature itself. It weaves together culture and ecology, offering congregants a different idea of spiritual inclusiveness," according to CAZA's notes on the Architizer website.

### CHEMICAL ENGINEERS BOARD EXAM - MAY 2024



DLSU: Top performing school With 10 or more examinees passed and at least 80% overall passing percentage

100% DLSU Overall passing rate

70.23% National passing rate

#### Ranked No. 4

Engr. Micah M. Haboc Engr. Michelle Airah N. Pablo

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## FACTS and FIGURES

DLSU IN UAAP SEASON 86



# **2ND PLACE** GENERAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## **4 CHAMPIONSHIPS**

MEN WOMEN 3X3 BASKETBALL TABLE TENNIS BASKETBALL ATHLETICS

## **4 2ND PLACERS**

MEN SWIMMING SOFTBALL WOMEN Football TKD Poomsae

## **5 3ND PLACERS**

MÉN FENCING JUDO WOMEN 3X3 BASKEBALL Volleyball Taekwondo

# SEASON MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

MEN

KARL KEVIN OUIAMBAO – BASKETBALL Cyrus John Austria – 3x3 Basketball

WOMEN ANGELOU JOYCE LAUDE - TABLE TENNIS BERNALYN BEJOY - ATHLETICS

Source: Office of Sports Development



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