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TSU secures local, international partnerships thru MOU

Tarlac State University signed separate memoranda of understanding with Universitas Muhammadiyah DR. HAMKA (UHamka) and DepEd Tarlac City Schools Division to foster international academic cooperations on May 8, 2025 at the Alumni Center, Lucinda

Campus.

TSU and the College of Education agreed to collaborate in terms of faculty scholarships for master's and doctoral degrees, undergraduate student scholarships, collaborative education programs, English Language Proficiency Program

(ELPP), credit-transfer program, laboratory/research facilities sharing, faculty and student exchange, internships, cultural experience programs, and joint seminars, conferences and meetings for education.

"As a public education institution, we

are committed to providing quality, accessible, relevant, and inclusive education. The Tarlac City Schools Division fully embraces this partnership. We are committed to the pursuit of excellence in teaching

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TSU, Moncada LGU formalize town history with book launching

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Former National Historical Commission of the Philippines Commissioner and retired Tarlac State University professor Dr. Lino L. Dizon launched the monograph about Moncada town's history on May 5, 2025 at the Luis Morales Park Auditorium in the municipality of Moncada.

The book titled "San Ramon's Moncada: A Town's History" is a monograph covering the beginnings of Moncada from 1874-1908. It is a product of the Center for Community and Local Governance Studies and Policy

Development's extension project in collaboration with the local government of Moncada.

Moncada Mayor Estelita Aquino thanked TSU for their unwavering support and dedication in pushing through with the project and putting forward Moncada's history, which is backed by Dr. Dizon and the archival team's research.

Moncada Heritage Project Head Asst. Prof. Bryan Jan S. Dizon, in a message delivered by Dr. Ninez B. Tulo, noted that the book marks the formal recognition of Moncada's founding date, emphasizing

the town's 151st founding anniversary last May 1, 2025.

"This book, San Ramon's Moncada: A Town's History, is not only a historical account. It is a symbol — a symbol of Moncada's identity, its resilience, and its rightful place in our nation's historical narrative," Dr. Tulo read.

Meanwhile, CCLGSPD Director Dr. Cynthia G. Quiambao recounted how the project started until its fruition in the form of a monograph.

"This really started from a simple idea, a simple conversation that was conveyed

to us [that we can help in changing the history] (of Moncada) and the celebration of the (town's) 150 years. And now, it has become a reality, and now this reality is a remembrance," Dr. Quiambao said.

She also thanked the people behind the project and some TSU students who served as cultural mappers.

Meanwhile, Moncada LGU formally opened the Moncada Museum, which houses photographs documenting the life of the locals and Moncada's rich culture and traditions.



DR. LINO L. DIZON



MAYOR ESTELITA AQUINO



DR. CYNTHIA G. QUIAMBAO

OIBD Director to student researchers: 'SALIKSILABAN is more than a competition—it is a call to action'

Mary Joy B. Manalo

Tarlac State University's Office of Innovation and Business Development concluded this year's SALIKSIKLABAN V with an awarding ceremony held on May 14, 2025 at the Alumni Center, Lucinda Campus.

Now in its fifth year, the SALIKSIKLABAN, an annual university-wide undergraduate research competition, featured 31 student research groups competing under two categories: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) and ABLESS (Arts, Business, Law, Education, and Social Sciences).

"Your work stands as a testament to the power of young minds to challenge conventions and propose bold, evidence-based solutions... Your inquisitive minds and bold aspirations carry the potential to reshape industries, uplift communities, and inform policies that are not only intelligent, but just and inclusive," OIBD Director Atty. Jayriz D. Dungca said during the closing ceremonies.

"SALIKSILABAN is more than a competition—it is a call to action. It does not end here. It is a challenge to continue probing, discovering, and contributing to the collective knowledge of our nation," he added.

Out of the 17 entries in the STEM category, the first place was awarded to student researchers from the College of Engineering for their study titled "Design and Fabrication of a Semi-Automated Coconut Milk Extractor Machine with Integrated Scraper."

Kristine Kelsey E. Panlilio, a fourth-year mechanical engineering student and research proponent, shared that their machine integrates



coconut kernel grating and milk extraction into a single, compact, and easy-to-operate unit, which was designed to address common issues faced by coconut vendors in local markets.

According to Panlilio, their machine reduces labor in processing mature coconuts and minimizes exposure to unsanitary environments.

Per their research, the machine's optimum screw press

speed was identified at 50 rpm, yielding 56.70% coconut milk. The machine also achieved a milk extraction efficiency of 96.44%, outperforming both local extractors and figures from previous studies.

The group shared that they have already secured the machine's first buyer and are planning to build another unit for a potential client.

Meanwhile, in the

ABLESS category with 14 entries, the group from the College of Architecture and Fine Arts, composed of fine arts students Ian Keith J. Palarca and Kenneth D. Mendoza, won first place with their research titled "Visual Preservation: Capturing Challenges and Opportunities of Lantern Makers in Gerona, Tarlac."

In an interview, Mendoza, who hails from Gerona, explained that their project seeks to preserve the lantern-making tradition in Brgy. Caturay, Gerona, through a creative non-fiction book titled "Bawat Likha, Bawat Liwanag."

The book, a result of over a year's work, showcases the stories and history of local lantern makers in Gerona, Tarlac, and the Silawan Festival, an event honoring their craft, through photographs and narrative storytelling.

"Mahirap po siya kasi 'Ber' months pa lang, nandoon na kami. Seasonal lang po kasi 'yung mga lantern makers, pati



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NISU learns about TSU Level IV accre

Mary Joy B. Manalo



Tarlac State University welcomed the delegates from Northern Iloilo State University on May 14, 2025 at the Main AVR for a benchmarking activity focused on best practices in the Level IV program accreditation.

Organized by the Office of Quality Assurance, headed by Dr. Niño B. Corpuz, the benchmarking activity centered on the best practices of the College of Education and College of Public Administration and Governance, both of which are accredited Level IV by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines

(AACCUP) for their undergraduate and graduate programs.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Agnes M. Macaraeg formally welcomed the NISU delegates, expressing her hope for a productive knowledge sharing between the two institutions.

During the discussion proper, COEd Dean Dr. Jasper Jay N. Mendoza shared that the college is one of the 38 Centers of Development in Teacher Education across the Philippines.

He attributed this recognition to the active involvement of stakeholders in curriculum enhancement and the institution's commitment to continuous improvement

Furthermore, Dean Mendoza responded to questions regarding faculty research and extension activities during the open forum, emphasizing the importance of developing clear policies and guidelines for integrating

these components into faculty workloads, time allocation, and research publication funding.

Meanwhile, CPAG Dean Dr. Edwin P. Caoleng presented the college's research and extension initiatives, highlighting its flagship program, Project Hiraya, which aims to equip personnel of the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP) with governance knowledge and skills to benefit Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) under the custody of the Tarlac City Jail Female Dormitory.

Dean Caoleng

also discussed CPAG's internationalization efforts, noting the college's active participation in international organizations and mobility programs such as Erasmus+, which supports student and faculty exchanges in European countries.

At present, TSU maintains a 100% Certificate of Program Compliance (COPC) in all of its 35 undergraduate and 14 graduate programs.

The NISU delegation was led by Quality Assurance Director Dr. Rizzamila D. Superio.



TSU 'substantially complies' with criminology graduate program reqs

Mary Joy B. Manalo



Tarlac State University reaffirmed its commitment to advancing criminal justice education in the region as the CHED RQAT "favorably recommends" the proposed graduate program in criminology to be issued a Certificate of Program Compliance.

The Master of Science in Criminal Justice with specialization in Criminology, to be offered by the College of Criminal Justice Education, was reviewed and evaluated by the Commission on Higher Education Regional Quality Assessment Team (CHED RQAT) through an on-site validation last May 29, 2025 at the CCJE Building, Lucinda Campus.

Asian Criminological Society President Dr. Gerry J. Caño, also the Professional Criminologists Association of the Philippines president, stated during the closing program that the university has "substantially complied" with all the requirements under CMO 47, s. 2006 and CMO 15, s. 2019, with only minor recommendations to comply.

Dr. Caño also

highlighted the university's reputation and performance in the Criminology Licensure Examination after consistently ranking among the top-performing schools since 2016.

According to the evaluators, TSU will be the first university in the region to offer the program once the COPC is granted.

"You will be of significant service not only to the

people of the Province of Tarlac but also to the entire Region III and neighboring provinces, who may now be given the opportunity to avail of this program at TSU," Dr. Caño said.

Meanwhile, Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Agnes M. Macaraeg thanked the team of evaluators and assured them that the TSU CCJE, led by Dean Dr. Roel R. Alviar and Associate Dean Dr. Lian

Carla C. Luzong, will maintain and continue what the college started as a top caliber school in criminology.

The evaluators include Dr. Caño; Dr. Marilou L. Gregorio, Education Supervisor II of the CHED Central Office's Office of Programs and Standards Development; and Dr. Roel P. Anicas, Education Supervisor III of CHED Region III Graduate School Division. They reviewed the college's documents, including its curriculum, faculty qualifications, research publications, accreditation status, library resources, facilities and laboratories, and industry partnerships.

Office of Governance and Quality Management Director and former CCJE Dean Atty. Theodore M. Timpac also assisted Dr. Caño during the ocular inspection of the college's classrooms and laboratories and the library visit to assess physical and digital resources.

The on-site evaluation was organized by the Office of Quality Assurance.



Zamboanga-based SUC benchmarks TSU's OVPAA

Maria Adelaida D. Calayag



Zamboanga Peninsula Polytechnic State University officials benchmarked Tarlac State University's best practices under the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs on May 21, 2025 at the Main AVR.

Representatives from TSU, spearheaded by Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Agnes M. Macaraeg, shared their techniques and ways of implementing the opt-out mechanism. At the same time, the visiting university learned about the policy framework,

procedures, and the challenges encountered during its execution.

The two universities also tackled achieving high licensure examination performance and the retention policies of the colleges, preparation for board examinations, in-house review, and curriculum enhancements.

ZPPSU delegates also asked about the Office of Gender and Development, particularly on implementing the GAD agenda, the Committee on Decorum and Investigation (CODI), and the performance monitoring of TSU in line with

the Planning Implementation, Monitoring, and Evaluation Performance.

Engr. Rommel Gadia from the Office of University Research Development explained the funding and incentives faculty members may receive after submitting research and the technology transfer policies.

"Hoping that out of this benchmarking, we could share our best practices, and gone are those days that some SUCs are not sharing their best practices; but this time, we always believe [in] the principle of collaboration

and partnership. Who knows that at the end of this benchmarking activity, you will be our partner in research," VP Macaraeg said in her welcoming speech.

The ZPPSU delegation was led by Dr. Maria Christina Wee, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Ms. Josephine Sulasula, Vice President for Administration and Finance; Dr. Rolando Malalay, Vice President for Research Extension and Development; and Dr. Cyril Pil Cadavedo, Vice President for Student Affairs and Services.



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FEATURE

“No holds barred” in tertiary education

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Through the College of Public Administration and Governance, Tarlac State University continually seeks to empower community members through quality education. Believing that education knows no borders, the CPAG administration and faculty extend their reach to Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) in Tarlac.

Fifteen PDLs at the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology Female Dormitory in Tarlac are now enrolled as college students under the Bachelor of Public Administration Program. Their schooling is part of the CPAG's "Project Hiraya: Isang Landas Pasulong (A Path Forward)," a three-year extension project aiming to reshape the lives of PDLs while winding down the rate of PDL re-offenders by 15% after five years of its implementation.

Specifically, the education program, dubbed "Karunungan sa Kulungan para sa Kinabukasan (KKK): Empowering Change through Jail Facility Education Program," follows the BPA curriculum with 131 units overall, is covered by the Free Higher Education law, and is in sync with the university's academic calendar.

Moreover, this program seeks to make the PDLs feel valuable in the community after incarceration and allow them to secure good and decent jobs.

The academic year at the BJMP Tarlac Female Dormitory opened in August 2024, after the memorandum of agreement was signed on July 24, 2024.

Initially, there were 27 enrolled PDLs during the first semester. The student population was then trimmed to 15 since some had already



finished serving their sentence. However, they are still welcome to continue their studies at the Main Campus.

How it started

Before this long-term extension program, the college had successfully conducted various short-term extension activities with the BJMP Tarlac, such as rehabilitation programs, technical assistance to BJMP personnel, livelihood training, psychological and paralegal interventions, and other motivational activities helpful to the PDLs.

City Jail Warden JSINSP Jessica M. Corpuz reached out to CPAG Dean Dr. Edwing T. Caoleng to develop and offer a college education program for the PDLs. The warden targets continuous education and envisions all PDLs under her care to go through their elementary, junior high, and senior high school levels with the DepEd Alternative Learning System.

The schooling is a chance for the PDLs to reform and upskill while inside the facility's confines.

As to the newly opened tertiary schooling, the facility will continue accepting first-year students for the next semester. It will be available soon for male PDLs.

PDLs participating in educational and rehabilitative programs are eligible for the Time Allowance for Studying, Teaching, and Mentoring (TASTM) benefit, wherein 15 days each month are deducted from their sentence or possible maximum imprisonment. This is in addition to the regular Good Conduct Time Allowance (GCTA), allowing for a reduction in their jail or prison term as a reward for good conduct and exemplary behavior.

Top PDL student dreaming of marching along with her daughter

One of the top PDL

students is Fairy (not her real name), 39, who hails from Mindoro. She has been incarcerated for eight years. In an interview, she shared how she juggles class, scheduled court hearings, religious activities, and the chores inside the jail, given her designation as PDL program coordinator on a livelihood project, bonsai beads making, which is an income-generating project of the PDLs in the Tarlac City Jail Female Dormitory.

Like other students, Fairy took the admission test to enter the university. She felt motivated to study PA 1 or Introduction to Public Administration. Apart from PA 1, she also enjoyed the Purposive Communication course. Moreover, she obtained three "flat ones" (1.0 grade) during her first semester, showing her deep interest to learn. Reading and reviewing whenever she can is her way to earn remarkable grades.

"Basa po talaga kada gabi. Babalansehin mo talaga

'yung oras mo. Minsan nga po 'yung biruan na mahirap pala 'yung maging working student kasi nga po kapag may order kami ng bonsai beads, habang nagbo-bonsai kami, nandoon 'yung notes namin," Fairy said.

Against all odds, her children remain as her inspiration to strive even more.

"Actually po, nung una, takot ako. Hindi dahil ayaw kong matuto kundi dahil wala akong requirements. Tapos sabi ko kung kukunin nila 'yung requirements doon sa school ko dati sa Mindoro pa, kasi po 'yung transcript ko nung college 'di ko pa nakukuha. So, 'yung kukunin nila 'yung high school. Kaso po doon nag-aaral 'yung anak ko that time. Gumraduate siya ng junior high at senior high doon with high honors tapos kukuhanan ako doon ng ganon, tapos malalaman nila (that she is a PDL)," Fairy told OPA.

She disclosed that no one in their hometown knows she is in jail except for her family. Hence, she is apprehensive about the reactions of people in the said school and even the community, which

might affect her child.

"For eight years, mas naging matatag siya (her child) kaysa sa akin. Wala akong karapatang magreklamo, wala akong karapatang hindi lumaban at ipagpatuloy 'yung buhay kahit nandito ako, kasi siya pinipilit niya," Fairy said.

The top student wants to graduate and march along with her daughter, a dean's lister in Mindoro. She said, if time permits, she also would like to attend her daughter's graduation.

"Kung magkakaroon po sana ng pagkatataon, gugustuhin ko po talagang makatapos kasi sayang naman po, kasi mahirap po na paglabas (ko), 'di ko pa alam 'yung gagawin ko. Kasi po syempre nanay, priority mga bata. Pero kung may pagkakaton po, itutuloy ko sa labas kasi pangako ko po 'yan kanila mama at papa ko eh. Kaso hindi ko po nagawa hanggang sa namatay sila. 'Di ko naman nabigay 'yung pangako ko, so baka po ito na yung chance," Fairy shared.

Continuing her studies after release

According to the

warden, Rahima (not her real name), 26, a recently released PDL, opted to continue her studies inside the jail along with other PDLs. She rented a room near the jail facility and sought permission from the warden to enter the facility during classroom instruction.

Her request was granted relative to her academic standing and the after-care activity program of the Tarlac City Jail.

"Pinayagan ko si Rahima kasi nasa top 10 siya tapos nakita ko 'yung interes niya na makapagtapos ng pag-aaral. Siguro ako na muna ang bahala magpaliwanag sa higher office kaysa masayang (ang oportunidad). Ang usapan namin ng CPAG na tapusin niya muna itong semester na ito, then pwede na siya sa Main Campus," Warden Corpuz said.

On PDLs' exceptional academic performance

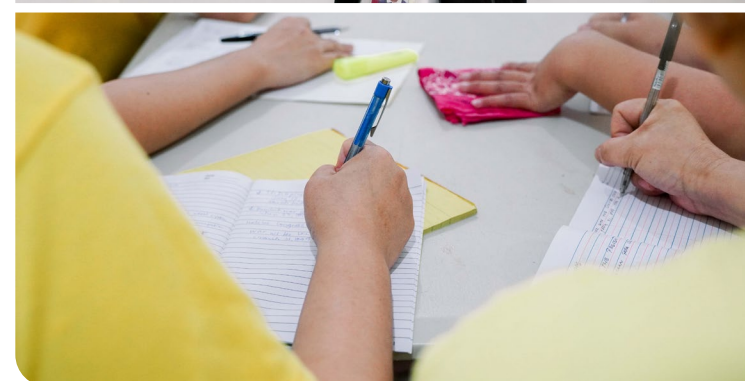
Warden Corpuz did not have expectations for the PDLs to become dean's listers. She simply wanted them to learn and earn a bachelor's degree.

"Hindi ko inexpect

na magiging dean's listers sila pero nakausap ko 'yung mga professors nila na magagaling raw sila at willing silang lahat matuto," Warden Corpuz said in an interview.

According to Mr. Niel Kharl Acosta, CPAG faculty member, most PDLs are attentive and eventually became dean's listers. Surprisingly, the PDL students garnered high marks in almost every examination and quiz. This gave him contentment and satisfaction in light of his struggles going to and from the facility while riding a motorcycle.

"Medyo malayo ito kaya nagmo-motor na lang ako papunta. Pero pag nandito ako, nag-e-enjoy ako sa kanila kasi willing silang matuto. Matiyaga din silang magsulat. Dagdag na din siguro 'yung comprehensive discussions at active na palitan ng opinion at views sa mga topics namin. Ma-cha-challenge ka din talagang mag-isip at mag-prepare kapag magtuturo na sa kanila. Despite their age, mabilis pa tin talaga ang pick up sa lessons at memorization," Acosta said in an interview.



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na rin po 'yung Silawan Festival na once a year lang,” Mendoza said, recalling the challenges they faced during the composition of the book.

“Mula bata pa po kami, na-a-amaze na po kami sa mga parol na gawa nila, kaya po we dedicate this to our younger selves na nakatingala lang sa mga parol—hindi namin akalaing makakagawa kami ng libro tungkol sa mga parol makers,” he added.

During the judges' sharing of general impressions, Dr. Philip P. Ermita, Polytechnic University of the Philippines Business Incubation and Development Office director, commended the student researchers for their hard work and dedication.

“Nakikita ko na you are actually addressing the needs of

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communities. Kasi sa generation ngayon, we want a simple life – 'yung complicated things, we want to make it simpler, and that is the direction towards Industry 4.0. Ituloy lang ninyo, I have seen a lot of potential in all your research,” Dr. Ermita said.

In a separate message, Engr. Maria Concepcion S. Zabala, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines Intellectual Property Rights Specialist III, underscored the importance of intellectual property registration and commercialization of research.

Joining Dr. Ermita and Engr. Zabala in the STEM category panel of judges is Mr. Arvin E. Guiruela from the Department of Science and Technology–Philippine Council

for Industry, Energy, and Emerging Technology Research and Development (DOST-PCIEERD).

STEM first placers received 20,000 pesos; second place, 15,000 pesos; and third place, 10,000 pesos.

Meanwhile, the 14 ABLESS entries, which were presented on the first day, were evaluated by Dr. Erwin P. Lacanlale, TSU vice president for Research, Innovation, and Extension; Mr. Matt Rodnie T. Matias, Wadhwani Foundation senior consultant; and Dr. Lino L. Dizon, former commissioner of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines.

ABLESS winners received 15,000 pesos for the first placers, 10,000 pesos for the

second placers, and 7,000 pesos for the third placers.

Best Poster awards for both categories received 3,000 pesos each.

Additionally, the Most Gender-Sensitive Research winners received 5,000 pesos for the first place, 4,000 pesos for the second, and 3,000 pesos for the third place.

All research groups also received 1,000 pesos from the Office of Gender and Development.

This year's SALIKSIKLABAN V was organized by the OIBD, in partnership with the OGAD, the Office of University Research Development, and the Office of Public Affairs.



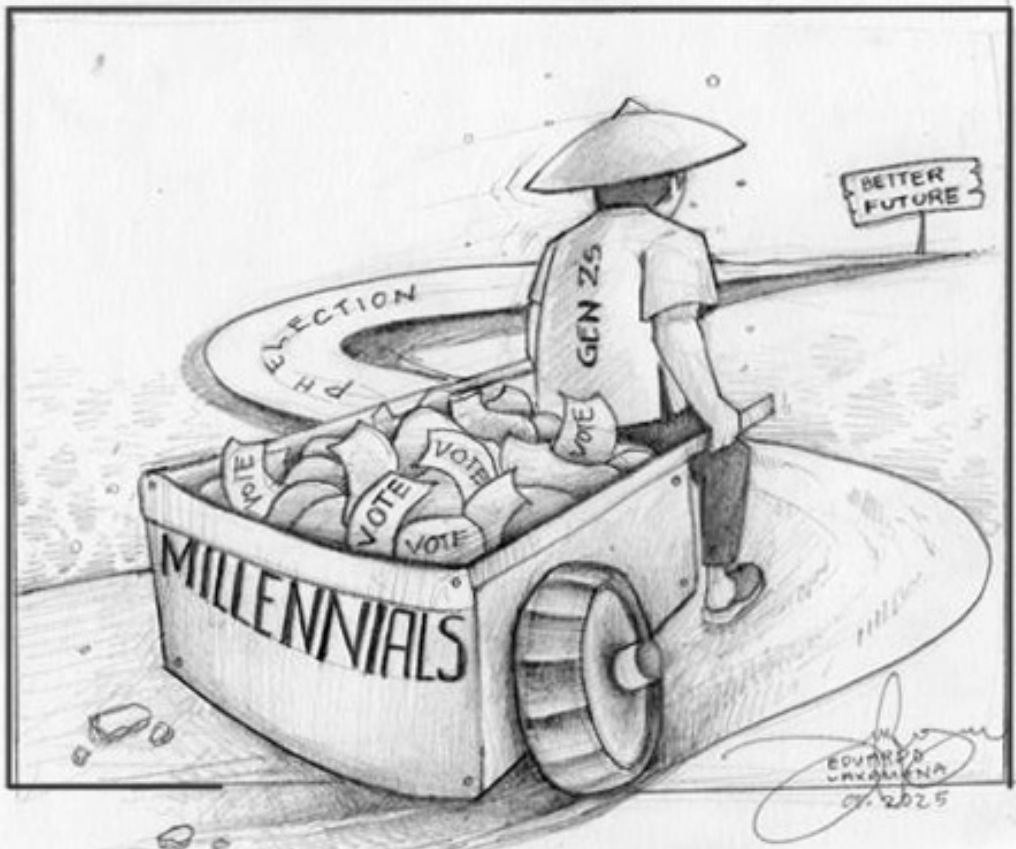
LIST OF WINNERS

	ABLESS Category	STEM Category
1st Place	<i>Visual Preservation: Capturing Challenges and Opportunities of Lantern Makers in Gerona, Tarlac</i> Ian Keith J. Palarca, Kenneth D. Mendoza College of Architecture and Fine Arts, Fine Arts Department	<i>Design and Fabrication of Semi-automated Coconut Milk Extractor Machine with Integrated Scraper</i> Kristine Kelsey F. Panlilio, Andrea Mae P. Bulatao, Marck Joseph Mapalo, John Carlos C. Soldevilla, Shan Kerby S. Torno College of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Department
2nd Place	<i>Exploring the Educational Journey of Indigenous People (IP) Parent Learners</i> Romelyn T. Bacala, Erika L. Balilo, Mario E. Sumaya College of Public Administration and Governance	<i>SunTerra: Development and Evaluation of a Solar-Powered Internet of Things (IoT) Device for Remote Monitoring of Soil Quality</i> Jericho James Ambrocio, Paul Joseph De Jesus, Mary Grace Gapasin, Chineer Lulu, John Lloyd Marimla, Precilla Proledo, Claire Tangalin, Kimberly Torres College of Education
3rd Most Gender-Sensitive Research	<i>Unveiling Hidden Realities: A Glimpse of the Life of Sex Workers</i> Jeny Rose S. Balilo, Joyce A. Gana, Bien Ivan V. Bernado College of Public Administration and Governance	<i>Utilization Of Mahogany (Swietenia Macrophylla) Fruit Husks and Water Hyacinth (Eichhornia Crassipes) Mixture as Raw Material in Producing Fuel Briquette</i> Clarence Antalan, Janille Esmorion, Mary Joy Lopez, Christine Joy Panlilio, Helen Grace Antonio College of Science, Environmental Science Department
Best Poster	<i>Visual Preservation: Capturing Challenges and Opportunities of Lantern Makers in Gerona, Tarlac</i> Ian Keith J. Palarca, Kenneth D. Mendoza College of Architecture and Fine Arts, Fine Arts Department	<i>Design and Fabrication of Semi-automated Coconut Milk Extractor Machine with Integrated Scraper</i> Kristine Kelsey F. Panlilio, Andrea Mae P. Bulatao, Marck Joseph Mapalo, John Carlos C. Soldevilla, Shan Kerby S. Torno College of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Department



EDITORIAL

Game changer: Gen Zs helping Millennials make things work



Esquire Philippines and the Philippine Information Agency-NCR reported this month that Generation Z voters now hold an influential spot among the Filipino electorate, especially in the recently concluded midterm election 2025. With the progressive mindset of most Millennials, coupled with the more idealistic outlook of the Gen Zs, yesterday's election heartaches are becoming a thing of the past, and a new breed of mindful voters is now in play.

Generation Z comprises individuals aged 18 to 28, making up 20 million of the 68 million registered voters in the Philippines. Some of these are the same youngsters who passionately joined rallies

and campaigns in 2022 but were ineligible to vote due to the age requirement. With their participation in the midterm elections 2025, their passion was translated to increased votes for political candidates like Bam Aquino and Kiko Pangilinan, who recently ranked 2nd and 5th, respectively, in the senatorial race. It must also be noted that these candidates did not even top the pre-election surveys of Pulse Asia, SWS, and the like. Hence, the Gen Zs may not have been part of these big-shot surveys.

Considering surveys, it is also noticeable that Aquino and Pangilinan had consistently topped the surveys of students from various colleges and universities, whether private

or public. Gen Zs are mostly found in these colleges and universities. Therefore, it is somehow apparent that the Gen Zs exhibited a significant influence in making that change in the list of senators who entered the so-called "Magic 12."

Some Millennials are also part of this "change maker" equation. This portion of the voting population, 29 to 44 years old, is said to cover 33.7%. These "young ones" were the earlier advocates of change, but their votes are not solid to a particular preference. The entry of the Gen Zs made it "make sense" because, at one point, these two generations align in terms of political choices and stances. Once upon a time, Millennials were clamoring for a better

Philippines; now, the Gen Zs are helping make that "magic."

This election month, there were still a handful of heartaches, but this is just the start of making the needed change. Like in Tarlac Province, it was oddly surprising that Aquino, dubbed the "gentleman from Tarlac" back in his days at the senate, would emerge as the top 1 senatorial candidate given the 2022 Marcos victory in the area. Aquino was one of the candidates who was the Millennials' and Gen Zs' TOTGA (The One That Got Away) back in the 2016 midterm elections.

It seems hearts are being healed in 2025. And it sparks hope in the near future, the 2028 elections.

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and learning, research and innovation, cultural exchange and professional development," Dr. Ruth D. Jimenez, Chief Education Program Supervisor from DepEd Tarlac City Schools Division, said.

In a separate MOU, UHamka and TSU signed the partnership to empower faculty and staff through mobility, ELPP, research collaboration (conduct of international research conference), extension program, and cultural exchange.

The university will assign competent faculty members to provide basic English language lessons to foreign students. Moreover, foreign staff and students will also be immersed in the Filipino culture through a cultural exchange program.

"We would like to encourage our esteemed partners to have dedication, collaboration, and that we will have mutual publication in reputable journals," Dr. Mulonyo from UHamka said.



Meanwhile, Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Agnes M. Macaraeg shared the '3Bs,' believing in what TSU can do, believing in others, and believing in faith,

as foundations of the local and international cooperation.

"In TSU, we value collaboration and partnership, and in valuing collaboration and partnership, [it is] simply

because of our traits of '3Bs:' We believe that we could do our best for our students, who are our primary clientele. We believe in partnership, believing in others, because if we don't have partners, we cannot attain [the] SDGs," VP Macaraeg said.

TSU President Dr. Arnold E. Velasco expressed the university's commitment to uphold the partnership and share knowledge, expertise, and resources for academic enhancements and research.

Said partnerships are under the initiative of the College of Education's Master of Arts in Education major in English program.



In the afternoon, an international seminar on thesis and dissertation writing for graduate researchers was conducted with speakers from the partner institutions and Central Luzon State University.





PHOTOS DURING VISIT OF THE OUR LADY OF PEÑAFRANCIA TO
TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY ON MAY 8, 2025










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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY LICENSED TSUIAN NURSES!

MAY 2025 PHILIPPINE NURSES LICENSURE EXAMINATION



FIRST-TIME TAKERS	100%
INSTITUTIONAL PASSING RATE	71.43%
NATIONAL PASSING RATE	64.40%




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APRIL 2025 CIVIL ENGINEERS LICENSURE EXAMINATION


FIRST-TIME TAKERS	100%
INSTITUTIONAL PASSING RATE	40%
NATIONAL PASSING RATE	29.21%



TOP 10 (90.90%)
GERALD DELA PEÑA NICOLAS




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MARCH 2025 Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers

FIRST-TIME TAKERS

ELEMENTARY 92.66% SECONDARY 90.34%

INSTITUTIONAL PASSING RATE

74.10% 81.32%

NATIONAL PASSING RATE

46.79% 62.31%



TOP 10 (92.60%)
ELEMENTARY LEVEL
CHASTENE MAMUCOD PARAZO

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T-ruth in words, action and character
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U-nity in diversity

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