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**Quality
Assurance of
Philippine
Education:**

New Issues and Trajectories





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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Quality Assurance of Philippine Education: New Issues and Trajectories

The 17th ALCUCOA National Conference aims to serve as a dynamic platform for higher education institutions, government agencies, and industry leaders to engage in meaningful discussions about the future of Philippine education. With the rapid advancements in technology, globalization, and evolving societal demands, educational institutions face increasing pressure to not only maintain but also enhance the quality of education. This conference addresses these challenges by exploring innovative solutions and emerging trends in quality assurance practices.

One of the key areas of discussion will focus on the internationalization of higher education and its impact on Philippine institutions. As education becomes increasingly global, it is crucial to understand how local institutions can effectively align with international standards while preserving their unique identity. The ethical implications of integrating artificial intelligence in quality assurance processes will also be a major topic, highlighting the balance between technological advancements and maintaining human-centered education principles.

The conference will emphasize the significant role of Local Universities and Colleges (LUCs) in supporting national industries such as IT-BPM, which have become pivotal in the country's economic growth. There will be a focus on how these institutions can bridge the skills gap by aligning their programs with industry requirements, ensuring that graduates are equipped with the necessary competencies. Furthermore, discussions will delve into the impact of big data and emerging technologies on society, underscoring the need for higher education to adapt curricula and research agendas to these transformative forces.

Quality assurance in higher education also extends beyond academic rigor; it encompasses the holistic development of students and professionals. The conference will explore strategies for nurturing lifelong learning, recognizing its role in fostering sustainable personal and professional growth. Managing innovation and maintaining quality in higher education institutions will be another focal point, as stakeholders explore how to create agile and resilient systems that can adapt to the rapidly changing educational landscape.

Finally, the conference will look into how innovation can drive improvements in quality assurance frameworks. By fostering a culture of creativity and forward-thinking, institutions can not only meet but exceed the expectations of their stakeholders, ensuring that Philippine higher education remains relevant and competitive on the global stage.

This year's ALCUCOA National Conference is poised to offer a comprehensive examination of the pressing issues in Philippine education, equipping participants with the insights and strategies needed to navigate the complex and evolving terrain of quality assurance.

MESSAGE FROM THE Chairperson of the House Committee on Higher Education



Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Manila

MESSAGE

My sincerest felicitations to all our esteemed educators, friends, and colleagues from the Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) on its 17th ALCUCOA National Conference. This annual gathering stands as a testament to your unwavering commitment to elevating the standards of Philippine education at a time when we are faced with rapid change and widening global borders.

This year's theme, "Quality Assurance of Philippine Education: New Issues and Trajectories," recognizes the dynamic challenges that our local educational institutions face in an ever-evolving landscape, as continuous developments in artificial intelligence hasten the upending of paradigms in the Fourth Industrial Revolution. This is notwithstanding the many systemic challenges that Philippine education continues to grapple with.

Thus, we are constantly grateful for the long and fruitful partnership we have had with ALCUCOA, taking charge in the quality assurance of higher learning, where our institutions become incubators of innovation and leadership. Through rigorous evaluation and the implementation of best practices, we can empower students to achieve their fullest potential and make meaningful contributions to society.

May this conference strengthen our shared vision of providing quality education for all, ensuring that no learner is left behind in these changing times. God bless and more power!

HON. MARK O. GO

*Chairperson, House Committee on Higher and Technical Education
District Representative
Baguio City, Lone District*



MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Warmest Greetings!

As the country continues its quest for quality in education and manages to compete with the existing requirements of the global world, ALCUCOA pursues to navigate excellence through quality assurance. This has been defined by its fast progress as an association including its unprecedented developments happening among Local Colleges and Universities in the Philippines. This served as a motivation for its entire membership to embrace quality assurance as part of their DNA in their purposes as higher educational institutions. Despite limitations these local colleges and universities were able to demonstrate their uniqueness as institutions, much more on their resiliency, and creative and innovative ways to face adversities and challenges as locally owned Higher educational institutions.

Dynamically, the ALCUCOA sustains its role as a living force in inspiring its growing membership to actively be open to changes and challenges, enlivening its mission of setting the standards for LUCs in the country. With this year's theme "Quality Assurance of Philippine Education: New Issues and Trajectories", it is hope that this would be another source of empowerment in building more competent local higher educational institutions in the national and international arena. A vital ingredient for student success leading to community and country's development. A solid indicator of the genuine purpose of Local Universities and Colleges existence and the thrusts of serving the marginalized and the underprivileged Filipino youth.

With the progressive drive of the association coupled with the burning desire to continuously embrace diverse, inclusive and equitable quality education matched with the thrust of lifelong learning, Local Colleges and Universities will truly be assured of producing global citizens and global workforce in the future.

DR. ELIZABETH A. MONTERO
Vice President, ALCUCOA



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With great pride and honor, I welcome you to the 17th ALCUCOA National Conference, a gathering of some of the most dedicated and forward-thinking leaders in Philippine higher education. This year's theme, "Quality Assurance of Philippine Education: New Issues and Trajectories," could not be more timely as we navigate a period of rapid transformation in our educational landscape.

As the President and Executive Director of ALCUCOA, I am deeply encouraged by the unwavering commitment of our member institutions to uphold the highest standards of quality in their academic programs and institutional processes. This conference provides an invaluable opportunity to reflect on our collective journey, celebrate our milestones, and confront the new challenges that lie ahead.

Today, the demands of the global educational arena call for a more integrated and responsive approach to quality assurance. Internationalization, technological advancements, and the evolving needs of industries require us to rethink our strategies and adapt to emerging realities. At the same time, we must remain steadfast in our mission to develop graduates who are not only competent but also socially responsible and globally competitive.

This conference is designed to inspire and equip us with the knowledge and tools needed to drive innovation in our institutions. From exploring the ethical dimensions of artificial intelligence in education to fostering sustainable development through lifelong learning, the diverse range of topics and speakers will provide fresh perspectives and actionable insights.

To our Local Universities and Colleges (LUCs), your role in shaping regional and national development cannot be overstated. You stand as pillars of accessible and relevant education, contributing significantly to the growth of key industries like IT-BPM and beyond. Your continued efforts in aligning your programs with both local and global standards are vital in ensuring that Philippine education remains robust and competitive.

Let this conference serve as a catalyst for deeper collaboration and stronger partnerships among us. Together, we can pave the way for an educational system that is not only resilient to change but also a model of excellence and innovation.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for your dedication to the cause of quality education. Your presence here signifies your commitment to continuous improvement and your unwavering belief in the transformative power of education.

Let us continue to work together in building a brighter future for Philippine education.

DR. RAYMUNDO P. ARCEGA, CESE
President, ALCUCOA



MESSAGE FROM THE Chairman of the Commission on Higher Education

On behalf of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), I send my warmest greetings to the leaders of local colleges and universities and representatives of accrediting bodies in the country present for the 17th Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) National Conference.

This year's conference theme, "Quality Assurance of Philippine Education: New Issues and Trajectories", encourages us to explore innovative strategies and methodologies to ensure that we deliver education that is relevant to the new needs of society, matches the demands of the globalized labor market, and is internationally competitive.

President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. has given directives to the Commission to ensure that Philippine higher education remains globally competitive. His specific instruction is to compare and match the quality and standard of education and QA systems of the Philippines with international benchmarks.

Hence, we actively conduct education missions in other regions of the world to guarantee that our curriculum and practices in evaluating programs and institutions are at par with their standard QA systems.

Hence, I encourage ALCUCOA and other accredited institutions present to also explore reforms in quality assurance not just in the Philippines but worldwide. We need to globalize the model of quality assurance by looking and matching it with new trends and new ways of functioning because when the same system is being used over and over again, quality becomes questionable.

Let this conference be an opportunity to mentor and learn from each other and work together towards an improved accreditation arm for our HEIs. The CHED remains steadfast with you in our goal to ensure that our students receive quality higher education that is relevant and responsive in our current and future world.

Maraming salamat at mabuhay tayong lahat!

J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III, DPA

Chairman

Commission on Higher Education



HISTORY OF ALCUCOA



The process to assess and raise the standards for quality and excellence in the Philippine education known as "Accreditation" began in 1957 through the establishment of the Philippine Association of Accredited Schools and Universities (PAASCU). This accrediting agency was intentionally created for private educational institutions.

It was only in the 1980's when the idea of accreditation for public Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) was presented to the member-institutions of Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC) by Dr. Bonifacio Sibayan, then President of Philippine Normal University (PNU), and Dr. Abraham I. Felipe, then President of the Fund for Assistance to Private Education (FAPE) and subsequently led to the creation of the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities of the Philippines (AACUP) in 1989. AACUP responded to the challenges of the accreditation of State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) of the country, as well as establishing linkages with other accrediting agencies here and abroad.

CREATION OF ALCU

Local Colleges and Universities (LCUs) are created by their local governments to directly provide and address the intellectual and socio-economic needs of their community, With the increasing number of LCUs, an association was organized known as the Association of Local Colleges and Universities (ALCU) with Dr. Benjamin G. Tayabas as its first President, He is succeeded by Prof. Tomas B. Lopez, Jr, Dr. Dalisay Brawner and Dr. Rene Colocar.

BIRTH OF ALCUCOA

It was envisioned by then Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Chairman, Bro. Rolando R. Dizon, FSC, when he invited the ALCU officers to his office for a consultative meeting on August 12, 2003 highlighting the creation of a Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities.

The ALCUCOA having been formally organized by the ALCU Board of Directors, was registered at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on October 23, 2003 with Dr. Benjamin Tayabas as the interim President, Dr. Ceferina M.P. Taringting, Executive Director and it was finally approved on December 9, 2003. To come up with a federation of accrediting agencies for Government colleges and universities, a joint meeting of the AACUP and ALCU officers was held by then President Rosario Pimentel, Dr. Manuel T. Corpus and President Benjamin Tayabas.

Hence, on November 20-23, 2003, the 2nd ALCU National Conference was held in Olongapo City with the theme "Strengthening LCUs through Accreditation." In this occasion, the National Network of Quality Assurance Agency (NNQAA), a network of accrediting agencies for government colleges and universities was born. On January 8, 2004, NNQAA was registered at the SEC.

This landmark federation of the two accrediting agencies for the public higher educational institutions of the county was witnessed by the national leaders of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), Civil Service Commission (CSC), The League of Cities of the Philippines (LCP) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).

The 1st National Accreditation Seminar-Workshop was held last August 12-15, 2004 at the UCCP Shalom Center in Manila. The keynote speaker, Dr. Catherine Q. Castañeda, who represented then acting CHED Chairman, Hon. Carlito S. Puno, highlighted the recognition of the ALCUCOA and NNQAA as the certifying agency in the public Higher Educational Institutions. This was eventually embodied in CMO No. 01, s. 2005.

The ALCUCOA continues its commitment to pursue the virtue of excellence and intensify efforts to bring academic standards of its member institutions to greater heights through quality higher education validated by a relevant and responsive quality Assurance and accreditation of programs.

ALCUCOA LEADERSHIP THROUGH THE YEARS

Dr. Carolina P. Danao, President of the (Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Pasig, was the Founding President of ALCUCOA who served from 2004 to 2006. As Founding President, she set up the organization and registered it with the Securities and Exchange Commission. It was during her time when the ALCUCOA instrument was first formulated. She invited PAASCU to discuss with them the process of LCU accreditation. Her administration focused on making the LCU's competitive in providing quality education which was at par with private school education, so the ALCUCOA addressed the problem of poverty among low income families. Dr. Ederlinda M. Fiesta, from the University of City of Caloocan served from 2007 to 2008.



When Prof. Tomas B. Lopez, Jr. of the University of Makati took the lead as President of ALCU, another official from Umak Prof. Adelina S. Patriarca was also elected as the President of the ALCUCOA and led the organization from 2008 to May 6, 2014. During her term, the 1st Employment Summit was conducted together with ALCUCOA partners like the ALCU, Philippine Chambers of Commerce and Industry, and the European Chamber of Commerce and Industry. She facilitated the accreditation of academic programs from various LCUs like University of Makati, Urdaneta City College, Gordon College, Taguig City University, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa, Laguna University, City College of Calapan, Mandaue City College, La Carlota College, and Bago City College. Under her term, she also introduced training seminars on "How to Setup Accreditation Centers."



From Left to Right : DR. BENJAMIN TAYABAS, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila, DR. CAROLINA DANA, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Pasig; DR. EDERLINA FIESTA, PROF. ADELINA PATRIARCA and DR. RAYMUNDO ARCEGA, Executive Vice President, University of Makati

Other achievements of Dr. Patriarca's administration where the formulation of the Code of Ethical Conduct of Accreditation, Manual of Operations of ALCUCOA (version 1) the opening of doors to CHED Grant for LCU'S (2.8 M). for LCU's in Muntinlupa, Pasay, Mandaue, and Marikina. It was during her time when ALCUCOA accreditation instrument was revised with employability as one of the areas. Her engagements with CHED proved to be fruitful when ALCUCOA was allowed to sit with the CHED Coordinating Council. The E.O. 708 was also reviewed during her term, wherein ALCU schools from ALCUCOA were exempted from CHED's Regional Assessment Team (RQAT) visit for their ALCUCOA accredited academic programs. She also managed to receive the 1st grant of Php 2 Million for ALCUCOA from CHED's Higher Education Development Fund (HEDF). The Board of Directors during her time also visited Malaysia for an international benchmarking of its quality assurance processes and best practices.

Since May 7, 2014 up to present, Dr. Raymundo P. Arcega, Executive Vice President of UMak and Dr. Elizabeth Montero, President of Urdaneta City University took the lead as the President and Vice-President respectively of the current ALCUCOA Board of Directors.

ALCUCOA 2014 AND BEYOND

Dr. Arcega's term was marked by his focus on ensuring sustainability of processes and programs of ALCUCOA. This vision of ensuring sustainability could be seen in the following strategies:

FINALIZED OBE ACCREDITATION INSTRUMENT AND MANUAL OF ACCREDITATION.

Continuing the initiatives of the past administration, he organized the finalization of the Outcomes Based Education Instrument and Manual of Accreditation. The 3rd and 4th Regional Consultations in Tagaytay (July 21-22, 2014) and Iloilo (August 27, 2014) were respectively conducted to deliberate and critique ALCUCOA's accreditation instruments. The 1st Integration and Documentation Committee Meeting for the creation of OBE Curriculum was also conducted in August 21-22, 2014.

PROFESSIONALIZED QUALIFICATIONS OF ACCREDITORS.

The requirements for being an accreditor were strengthened with the inclusion of basic and advance accreditation trainings and actual experience on on-site accreditation visits. The classification was changed from just having a junior accreditor and senior accreditor into having an assistant accreditor, associate accreditor, and senior accreditor. The wisdom behind this was that the classification and requirements became transparent to the candidates.

At the onset of Dr. Arcega's administration, he spearheaded the Accreditor's Certification Training last July 5-6, 2014 with AACUP Executive Director Dr. Manuel T. Corpus as Speaker. On January 22, 2015 the Board of Directors of ALCUCOA initiated the implementation of the Second Accreditor's Training which was conducted with a total of forty-one (41) participants.

Consequently, last September 12-13, 2015, the Board of Directors invited Dr. Evelyn Cruzada of AACUP in order to conduct the Advance Training Program for Accreditors with the theme "Defining the Competence, Credibility and Accountability".

SETTING UP OF THE ALCUCOA CORPORATE OFFICE

During the 7th ALCUCOA Annual National Conference last 2014, the temporary ALCUCOA Office was inaugurated in Academic Building 2 of the University of Makati.

Participants from various LCU's graced the occasion with the Board of Directors leading the blessing of the new ALCUCOA Office.

Right now, the ALCUCOA has its two permanent offices, one at Maui Oasis Filinvest Manila and the other one is at No. 9 Biscayne St. Lot 10F South Fairview, Brgy. Fairview Park, Quezon City. The three (3) storey building has a conference room, administrative office and three suite rooms to accommodate our LCU Officials and Presidents who travel to Manila from different parts of the country.

STANDARDIZED FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS.

Pursuant to the vision of sustaining the processes and programs of the ALCUCOA, the Board of Directors standardized financial and administrative processes by establishing standard operating procedures (SOP's) which promote transparency and accountability of the officers and staff of the ALCUCOA to ease up the auditing of administrative and financial processes.

ORGANIZED THE ALCUCOA MANAGEMENT GROUP

In order to better implement the programs, projects and activities of ALCUCOA, the Board of Directors organized the Management Group composed of an Executive Director, Administrative Assistant and Technical Assistants.

SUSTAINED CAPABILITY TRAINING PROGRAMS

The Capability Training Programs was launched by the ALCUCOA since November 2014 up to present. To assist its member institution in the full implementation of Outcomes based Education, the ALCUCOA administered a total 15 Capability trainings in a span of 2 years from 2014 to 2016. They were as follows:

- Transformational Leadership (November 2014, Tagaytay)
- OBE Based Curriculum in the Classroom (January 2015, Baguio);
- Crafting Outcomes Based Curriculum (March 2015, Calapan);
- Proactive Studentry (May 2015, Subic);
- Entrepreneurship and Employability (July 2015, Davao);
- OBE in the Context of Research, Community Service and Learning Resources (November 2016, Boracay);
- Total Quality Management (January 2016, Tagaytay);
- Startegic Management in Governance and administration (March 2017, Baguio);
- Operational OBE Based Curriculum (May 2016, Davao);
- Educational Trends and Technology (August 2016, Subic)

INCREASED ALCUCOA MEMBERSHIP

At the onset of Dr. Arcega's leadership, the 7th ALCUCOA Annual National Conference was successfully held on October 9 and 10, 2014 with the theme "Promoting Creativity and Innovations among LCU's through Outcomes Based Education Quality Assurance" and attended by 159 participants out of 40 LCU's. In preparation to this national conference, active marketing and recruitment activities were initiated. Membership reach expanded to as far as Region I up and Region 11 with majority of members coming from NCR and Region IV-A.

As of the 7th Conference, 28% of the total number of LCUs in the country were active members of the ALCUCOA. New Members included Pamantasan ng Cabuyao (2014), Baco Community College (2014), Iloilo City Community College (2014), Pangantucan College of Arts, Sciences and Technology (2014).

The list expanded the following year with the inclusion of Trece Martires City College (2015), City College of Naga (2015), Maasin City College (2015), and Colegio Delas Navas (2015). Balian Community College (BCC) of Candelaria, Laguna (May 2017.)

As of November 21, 2022, ALCUCOA has a total of 78 Active LCU Members with 27 accredited institutions.

STRENGTHENED ACCREDITATION PROGRAMS

A series of ALCUCOA Accreditation of academic programs of member local colleges and universities were conducted vis-a-vis the Capability Training Programs since December 2014 to present. Around nine (9) member schools of the ALCUCOA have subjected themselves under the Accreditation. First in line for Accreditation, using the old instrument were the Dalubhasaan ng Lungsod ng San Pablo (DLSP) and the Laguna University (LU) last December 11-13, 2014, Likewise, the University of Makati (UMAK) was the first school to try the ALCUCOA OBE Accreditation Instrument last January 26-28, 2015 followed by the Kapalong College of Agriculture, Science and Technology (KCAST). A number of schools joined the call of accreditation in the same year such as the Monkayo College of Arts, Science and Technology (MONCAST); the Governor Generoso College of Arts, Sciences and Technology (GGCAST), the City College of Calapan (CCC), the Pamantasan ng Cabuyao (PnC), and the Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa (PLMun).

In 2016, ALCUCOA was pleased to visit another set of schools and re-visit the previous year's accreditation applicants. They were: Dalubhasaan ng Lungsod ng San Pablo (DLSP), Tagoloan Community College (TCC), Mabalacat City College (MCC). Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Marikina (PLMar), Kapalong College of Agriculture Science and Technology (KCAST), Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa (PLMun), Pamantasan Ng Cabuyao (PNC) and Laguna University (LU).

To keep itself abreast with the changing landscape in Philippine HEIs, the ALCUCOA instrument was reformulated and is continually improved to serve as a vehicle for enhancement of competency and standards for the 21st century education.

PARTNERSHIP WITH CHED AND NNQAA



The new members of the Board of Directors took their oath of office with Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Chairman, Dr. Patricia Licuanan which strengthened the partnership of ALCUCOA with CHED.

CONTINUOUSLY DEFINING THE QUALITY OF ACCREDITATION AND PROFESSIONALIZING PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION QUALITY ASSURANCE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

On October 8-9, 2015, the 8th ALCUCOA Annual National Conference was held with the theme "ALCUCOA Responding to the Challenges of ASEAN Integration through Outcomes-Based Quality Assurance." In the following year, October 10-11, 2016 the 9th Conference took off with the theme "Understanding Quality Assurance in the Context of Local and International Standards and Practices..

ALCUCOA as QA organization has embraced internationalization. It attended the World QS Conferences to engage and immerse with the education leaders all over the world with the same vision and passion to deliver quality education through QA Programs on November 20-24, 2018 in Seoul, Korea and November 25-30, 2019 in Fukouka, Japan.

During the pandemic , the ALCUCOA has defined the SBDL – Seamless, Blended and Digital Learning Framework for use of different LCUs aligned with CHEDs Flexible Learning.

Likewise, ALCUCOA has been an active partner of the National Network of Quality Assurance Agencies (NNQAA) and assumed leadership for years and so with the Philippine Congress House and Senate Committee on Higher, Technical and Basic Education.

ALCUCOA VISION

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities envisions to be the primary accrediting agency of the locally-funded Colleges and Universities committed in uplifting the standards to high quality and excellence, thereby achieving affordable, accessible, employable and globally competitive education.

ALCUCOA MISSION

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities aims to undertake accreditation of all LCUs; encourages them to embrace the culture of excellence; foster an exchange of information and expertise in educational and research programs; undertake cooperative action for the development of programs and finally, assists and protects the members from any inappropriate regulations.

ALCUCOA HYMN

Verse 1:

Kami'y naglalakbay sa landas ng karunungan
Pag asa ng bukas sa edukasyong matibay
Sa bawat hakbang ay handog ay kalidad
Tungo sa tagumpay handang maglingkod

Chorus:

ALCUCOA ! GABAY SA PROGRESO
Tungo sa mataasna antas ng pangarap
Sa pusot isipanhangarin ay malinaw
Sa edukasyon kami'ymagtatagumpay

Verse 2:

Sa pagsusuri kami handang humarap
Pusong tapat sa aming sinumpaang
Magsisilbing liwanag sa bagong henerasyon
ang aming paaralan may kalidad na misyon

Chorus:

ALCUCOA ! GABAY SA PROGRESO
Tungo sa mataasna antas ng pangarap
Sa pusot isipanhangarin ay malinaw
Sa edukasyon kami'ymagtatagumpay

Repeat Verse 1 and Chorus

Kami'y magtatagumpay

DAY 1 PROGRAMME

December 12, 2024 - Thursday

7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Registration	
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Opening Ceremony	
8:00 AM – 8:20 AM	Processional Entrance of Colors Doxology Philippine National Anthem ALCU Hymn ALCUCOA Hymn	PLMun ROTC Cadet PLMun Chorale PLMun Chorale PLMun Chorale DR. REAGAN RICAFORT AND THE ALCUCOA QA AMBASSADORS
8:20 AM – 8:25 AM	Welcome Remarks	DR. ELIZABETH A. MONTERO Vice President, ALCUCOA
8:25 AM – 8:30 AM	Presentation of LCU Presidents, Delegation and Guests	DR. IMELDA SORIANO National Secretary, ALCUCOA
8:30 AM – 8:40 AM	Message from the ALCUCOA Founding President	DR. CAROLINA P. DANA O Past President, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Pasig
8:40 AM – 9:00 AM	Direction Setting	DR. RAYMUNDO P. ARCEGA, CESE ALCUCOA President & Executive Director
	Introduction of the Keynote Speaker	DR. RAYMUNDO P. ARCEGA, CESE ALCUCOA President & Executive Director
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	KEYNOTE MESSAGE I	HON. ALAN PETER S. CAYETANO Chairman, Senate Committee on Higher Education Senator, Republic of the Philippines
9:30 AM – 9:35 AM	Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation	
9:35 AM – 10:30 AM	Conferment of Accreditation to Selected LCUs Presentation of ALCUCOA Certificate of Membership for 2024 Presentation of the ALCUCOA Special QA Citation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 Best Website Design and Management • 2024 Best Corporate Video • ALCUCOA Effective Partner Awards 2024 • ALCUCOA Academic Excellence Award 2024 • ALCUCOA Human Resource Development Award 2024 • ALCUCOA Model Local Chief Executive Award 2024 	
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Morning Snacks Intermission Number	CITY COLLEGE OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	PLENARY SESSION 1	
	Introduction of the Resource Speaker	DR. ELENA E. PRESNEDI National Treasurer, ALCUCOA
	TALK : CHANGING FUTURE OF WORK AND LIFELONG LEARNING: THE ADAPTABILITY OF PHILIPPINE EDUCATION SYSTEM	HON. IRENE ISAAC Former Secretary and Director-General Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
	Open Forum Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation	
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	PLENARY SESSION 2	
	Introduction of the Resource Speaker	DR. RENE M COLOCAR President , Marikina Polytechnic College ALCUCOA National Board Past President. ALCU

DAY 1

PROGRAMME

December 12, 2024 - Thursday

TALK : FILLING THE GAP: DESIGNING HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE INDUSTRY

MS. GRACE ABELLA-ZATA
2019 Past President, People Management Association of the Philippines (PMAP)
Chief Executive Officer, IRC Institute

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

1:00 PM – 1:15 PM

Intermission Number

1:15 PM – 1:45 PM

PLENARY SESSION 3

CITY UNIVERSITY OF PASAY

Introduction of the Resource Speaker

DR CHRISTIE JEAN V. GANIERA
President, Northern Bukidnon State College

TALK : PURSUING TRUTH AND JUSTICE THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION

ATTY. JOSE MANUEL “CHEL” DIOKNO
Founding Dean, De la Salle University Tanada-Diokno School of Law
Chairman, Free Legal Assistance Group (FLAG)

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

1:45 PM – 2:15 PM

PLENARY SESSION 4

Introduction of the Resource Speaker

DR. RONALD GONZALES
President, City College of Calamba

TALK : COORDINATING PHILIPPINE HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM TOWARD A COMMON NARRATIVE ON PHILIPPINE TERRITORIES IN THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA

HON. ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Retired Justice and Acting Chief Justice Supreme Court of the Philippines

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

2:15 PM – 2:45 PM

PLENARY SESSION 5

Introduction of the Resource Speaker

DR. MONETTE BATO
President, Laguna University

TALK : Advancing Filipinovation in Higher Education

DR. RIA LIZA C. CANLAS
Former Director of Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, National University
Executive Member, National Innovation Council
President, Filipino Women Inventors and Innovators

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

2:45 PM – 3:15 PM

PLENARY SESSION 6

Introduction of the Resource Speaker

DR. LORNA GAPPI
President, Colegio ng Batangas

TALK : Artificial Intelligence and the Transformation of the 21st Century University

DR. NEIL P. BALBA
Executive Director for Technology And Data Protection Officer
Lyceum of the Philippines University-Laguna

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

DAY 1

PROGRAMME

December 12, 2024 - Thursday

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM

Afternoon Snacks
Intermission Number

PARAÑAQUE CITY COLLEGE

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

PLENARY SESSION 7

Introduction of the Resource Speaker

DR. GARY LAGATIERA

President, MONKAYO College of Arts, Sciences and Technology

TALK :The Growing Importance of Micro-Credentials in Higher Education

FR. JUN INOCENCIO

Superintendent of Schools – Salesians of Don Bosco

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation
PLENARY SESSION 8

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Introduction of the Resource Speaker

DR. ANALIZA F. ARCEGA

President, Pateros Technological College

TALK: THE EVOLVING LANDSCAPE OF DATA PRIVACY IN HIGHER EDUCATION

DR. ROLANDO R. LANSIGAN

1st Chief, Compliance and Monitoring Division
National Privacy Commission
President and CEO, RRL Data Privacy and Management Consultancy

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

ALCUCOA GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT : SHARING OF INSIGHTS
MODERATOR :

DR. FELMA CARLOS TRIA

President, Universidad De Manila

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT 1: SHIFTING LANDSCAPES, COLLABORATIVE SOLUTIONS : PIONEERING INNOVATION IN ASIA PACIFIC HIGHER EDUCATION

ATTY. GLORIA VICTORIA BANAS

President, College of San Fernando

Macau University of Science and Technology (MUST) China

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT 2: WORLD RANKING SYSTEMS AND ENHANCING GLOBAL REPUTATION THROUGH VISIBILITY

DR. ELIZABETH MONTERO

National Board, National Network of Quality Assurance Agencies
Vice President, ALCUCOA

Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember ITS Surabaya, Indonesia

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT 3: UNDERSTANDING FORENSIC SCIENCE AND CRIMINOLOGY IN INDIA

DR. MARICELLE NUEVA

President , Tanguib City Global College

Rashtriya Raksha University, Gandhinagar Gujarat, India

DR. KHAREN UNGAB

Vice President, Tagoloan Community College

CLOSING REMARKS

DR. RENE COLOCAR

Past ALCU President
ALCUCOA National Board

DAY 2 PROGRAMME

December 13, 2024 – Friday

7:30 AM – 7:40 AM	Opening Intermission	QUEZON CITY UNIVERSITY
7:40 AM – 7:50 AM	Recap of the 1st Day Session	DR. ROGER AMBIDA President, City College of San Jose Del Monte
7:50 AM – 8:00 AM	Message from the ALCUCOA Founding Executive Director	DR. CEFERINA TARINGTING Former President, City College of Manila (now UDM)
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Message from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED)	ATTY. CINDERELLA FILIPINA S. BENITEZ JARO Executive Director Commission on Higher Education
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	PLENARY SESSION 9	
	Introduction of the Resource Speaker	DR. LARNIE SAM A. TABUENA President, La Carlota City College
	TALK : INTERNATIONALIZATION AND TRANSNATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION IN PHILIPPINE CONTEXT	HON. RON P. SALO KABAYAN Partylist Member, House of Representatives
	Open Forum	
	Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation	
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Introduction of the Keynote Speaker	DR. RAYMUNDO P. ARCEGA ALCUCOA President and Executive Director
	KEYNOTE MESSAGE 2: THE ROLE OF PHILIPPINE LCUs IN THE GLOBAL COMPELLING FUTURE	HON. MA. NIEVES R. CONFESOR Former Secretary Department of Labor and Employment Associate Professor, Leadership and People Management, Asian Institute of Management
	Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation	
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	PLENARY SESSION 10	
	Introduction of the Resource Speaker	DR. DESIREE GUIRALDO President, Taguig City University
	TALK : ENGENDERING HIGHER EDUCATION CURRICULUM	DR. BERT J. TUGA President, Philippine Normal University
	Open Forum	
	Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation	
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Morning Snacks	
	Intermission Number	UNIVERSIDAD DE MANILA
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	PLENARY SESSION 11	
	Introduction of the Resource Speaker	DR. IMELDA SORIANO President, Gordon College
	TALK : REIMAGINING THE NARRATIVE AND PRACTICE AROUND MENTAL WELLBEING IN HIGHER EDUCATION	DR. TONY LEACHON Outstanding Filipino in Medicine 2010
	Open Forum	
	Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation	
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	PLENARY SESSION 12	
	Introduction of the Resource Speaker	DR. NITCHELL A. ACEDILLO President, Kolehiyo ng Pantukan

DAY 2

PROGRAMME

December 13, 2024 – Friday

<p>11:30 AM – 12:00 PM</p>	<p>TALK : THE GREEN TRENDS IN THE HIGHER EDUCATION ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Open Forum Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation</p> <p>PANEL DISCUSSION Future Directions in Inclusive Education Systems : Curriculum, Cognition and Context MODERATOR :</p> <p>DISCUSSANTS:</p>	<p>MS. BILLIE DUMALIANG Director for Advocacy and Board of Trustee MASUNGI GEORESERVE</p> <p>DR. TERESITA ATIENZA University President, Quezon City University</p> <p>DR. ISAGANI TRISTE Head, Curriculum Unit Center for Faculty Advancement De La Salle–College of Saint Benilde</p> <p>PROF. JOHN ISRAEL U. CUNANAN Senior Administrative Assistant Office of Curriculum Development and Instructions University of the East</p>
<p>12:00 PM – 1:00 PM</p>	<p>Open Forum Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation</p> <p>FELLOWSHIP LUNCH Presentation of Election Rules and Candidates</p> <p>Intermission Number</p>	<p>DR. SHEILA I. VILLANUEVA Chairman, ELECOM</p> <p>LAGUNA UNIVERSITY</p>
<p>1:00 PM – 1:30 PM</p>	<p>Introduction of the Keynote Speaker</p> <p>KEYNOTE MESSAGE 3 Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation</p>	<p>DR. RAYMUNDO P. ARCEGA ALCUCOA President and Executive Director</p> <p>HON. EMMANUEL JOSE JOEL VILLANUEVA Senator, Republic of the Philippines</p>
<p>1:30 PM – 2:00 PM</p>	<p>PLENARY SESSION 13 Introduction of the Resource Speaker</p> <p>TALK : TRANSDICIPLINARITY IN RESEARCH</p> <p>Open Forum Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation</p>	<p>MS. EMILY ACERO ALCUCOA Technical Assistant and Training Head</p> <p>DR. AIMEE LYNN BARRION-DUPO President, National Research Council of the Philippines</p>
<p>2:00 PM – 2:30 PM</p>	<p>PLENARY SESSION 14 Introduction of the Resource Speaker</p> <p>TALK : AMPLIFYING STUDENT LEARNING THROUGH VOLUNTEERISM : THE PRESPECTIVE OF PHILIPPINE REDCROSS</p>	<p>DR. ELIZABETH MONTERO ALCUCOA Vice President NNQAA National Board</p> <p>DR. GWENDOLYN PANG Secretary General , Philippine Redcross Head, Country Cluster Support Team International Federation of the Red Cross</p>

DAY 2

PROGRAMME

December 13, 2024 – Friday

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH PRC

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

QA TESTIMONIALS 2024
MODERATOR :

DR. SHEILA VILLANUEVA
ALCU Executive Director
ALCUCOA Technical Assistant

DISCUSSANTS:

DR. TERESITA FORTUNA
President
Colegio De Muntinlupa
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

DR. ROGER AMBIDA
President
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LUZON

DR. JOHANNA BAYONETA
President
Bacolod City College
VISAYAS

HON. ATTY. NADYA EMANO ELIPE
Chairman, Board of Regents,
Tagoloan Community College
City Mayor, LGU Tagoloan
MINDANAO

Open Forum
Presentation of Plaque of Appreciation

4:00 PM – 4:15 PM

AFTERNOON SNACKS
Intermission Number

PAMANTASAN NG LUNGSOD NG SAN PABLO

4:15 PM – 4:20 PM

2nd DAY CLOSING REMARKS

DR. ELENA PRESNEDI
ALCUCOA National Treasurer

4:20 PM – 5:30 PM

2024 ALCUCOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

DR. RAYMUNDO P. ARCEGA, CESE
Presiding Officer

DR. IMELDA SORIANO
ALCUCOA National Secretary

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Approval of the Agenda
- IV. Reading and Ratification of the Minutes of the Previous General Assembly
- V. Business Arising from the Minutes
- VI. Presentation of Reports
 - a. President's Report
 - b. Treasurer's Report
- VII. New Business
 - a. Proposed 2025 Operating Budget
 - b. 2025 Proposed Capability Trainings
 - c. Other Matters
- VIII. Adjournment

EXIT OF COLORS

PLMun ROTC CADETS

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Election and Proclamation of the New Board of Directors for three (3) Vacant Positions from 2024–2027



ALCUCOA CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



HON. ALAN PETER S. CAYETANO
Senator, Republic of the Philippines



HON. JOEL VILLANUEVA
Senator, Republic of the Philippines



ATTY. CINDERELLA FILIPINA S. BENITEZ JARO
Executive Director
Commission on Higher Education



HON. MA. NIEVES R. CONFESOR
Former Secretary, DOLE
Former Dean and Executive Director, AIM

PLENARY SPEAKERS



HON. RON P. SALO
KABAYAN Partylist
Member, House of Representatives



HON. ANTONIO T. CARPIO
Retired Justice
Supreme Court of the Philippines



HON. IRENE ISAAC
Former Secretary & Director General,
TESDA



ATTY. JOSE MANUEL "CHEL" DIOKNO

Founding Dean, De La Salle University
Tanada-Diokno School of Law
Chairman, Free Legal Assistance Group
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MS. GRACE ABELLA-ZATA

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DR. RIA LIZA C. CANLAS

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CITY COLLEGE OF ANGELES



**CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FERNANDO
PAMPANGA**



**CITY COLLEGE OF SAN JOSE
DEL MONTE**



GORDON COLLEGE



MABALACAT CITY COLLEGE



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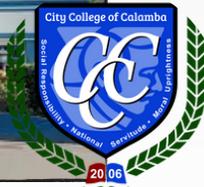
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REGION IV-A



CITY COLLEGE OF CALAMBA



**COLEGIO NG LUNGSOD NG
BATANGAS**



LAGUNA UNIVERSITY



PAMANTASAN NG CABUYAO



**PAMANTASAN NG LUNGSOD NG
SAN PABLO**



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REGION VI



BACOLOD CITY COLLEGE



LA CARLOTA CITY COLLEGE



REGION X



TAGOLOAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE



TANGUB CITY GLOBAL COLLEGE



REGION XI



GOVERNOR GENEROSO COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY



KAPALONG COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY



KOLEHIYO NG PANTUKAN



MONKAYO COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY



**ALCUCOA
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2024**

ALCUCOA EFFECTIVE PARTNERS AWARD 2024

This award is given to institutions and individuals who have been supportive of LCUs and have made remarkable contribution in ALCUCOA's drive to promote quality assurance and advance education reforms among its member institutions.

Awardees may rise among the ranks of government agencies, such as CHED, TESDA, DepEd, Civil Service Commission, Department of Interior and Local Government, etc., or from Non-Government Organizations and industry partners.



ATTY. CINDERELLA FILIPINA S. BENITEZ-JARO

Executive Director
Commission on Higher Education

ALCUCOA ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD 2024

The Academic Excellence Award is a recognition given to ALCUCOA Members which significantly demonstrate Excellence in Education by their outstanding performance for gaining 100% Passing Rate or produced Topnotcher/s in the National Board Examinations from October 1 of the previous year to November 30 of the current year. A Certificate of Recognition shall be awarded during ALCUCOA Annual National Conference.



CITY COLLEGE OF CALAMBA

LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS (ELEMENTARY LEVEL)
MARCH 2024
96.55% PASSING RATE (TOP 5 PERFORMING SCHOOL)



UNIVERSIDAD DE MANILA

LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR SOCIAL WORKERS
SEPTEMBER 2024
100.00% PASSING RATE

PHILIPPINE NURSES LICENSURE EXAMINATION
MAY 2024
100.00% PASSING RATE



CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FERNANDO

BACHELOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
MARCH 2024
100% PASSING RATE



TAGOLOAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MIDWIFERY LICENSURE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2023
90.48% PASSING RATE (TOP 1 PERFORMING SCHOOL)

MIDWIFERY LICENSURE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2024
95.12% PASSING RATE (TOP 1 PERFORMING SCHOOL)



TAGUIG CITY UNIVERSITY

CERTIFIED HUMAN RESOURCE ASSOCIATE EXAMINATIONS
NOVEMBER 2024
TOP 1 - KAREN TUYAY
TOP 2 - WENALENE FUENTES



KAPALONG COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY

CRIMINOLOGISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION
JULY 2024
TOP 1 PERFORMING SCHOOL

ALCUCOA ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD 2024



GORDON COLLEGE

PHILIPPINE NURSES LICENSURE EXAMINATION
MAY 2024

98.99% PASSING RATE
(TOP 2 PERFORMING SCHOOL)
TOP 8 – BITOON, MA. BEA CAMILLE R.
TOP 10 – LAXA, CHRISTIAN GLENN B.

LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR PROFESSIONAL
TEACHERS
(BACHELOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION)
MAY 2024

98.99% PASSING RATE
(TOP 2 PERFORMING SCHOOL)
TOP 8 – BITOON, MA. BEA CAMILLE R.
TOP 10 – LAXA, CHRISTIAN GLENN B.

CUSTOMS BROKER LICENSE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2023

TOP 2 – TAN, IVY CLAIRE D.
TOP 3 – ALVIOR, LESTER A.
TOP 4 – ABANADOR, MARIDETH LOUISE L.
TOP 6 – ERANDIO, KIM R.
TOP 8 – PANGILINAN, JAZZVER L.
TOP 9 – AMPLOGIO, RICHELLE M.
TOP 10 – REYES, ERICK S.



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LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS, BACHELOR
OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
MARCH 2024

TOP 8 – BLAISY JANE A. ARGETE

MIDWIFERY LICENSURE EXAMINATION
NOVEMBER 2023

100.00% PASSING RATE

MIDWIFERY LICENSURE EXAMINATION
APRIL 2024

91.18% PASSING RATE
(TOP 3 PERFORMING SCHOOL)

ALCUCOA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AWARD 2024

The HR Development Award is a recognition given to ALCUCOA Members which significantly advocate HR Development by consistently sending their School Officials and Employees to all ALCUCOA Capability Training facilitated during the year. A Certificate of Recognition shall be awarded during the ALCUCOA Annual National Conference.



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SAN JOSE DEL
MONTE**



**QUEZON CITY
UNIVERSITY**



**CITY COLLEGE OF
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**LAGUNA
UNIVERSITY**



**TANGUB CITY
GLOBAL COLLEGE**



**CITY UNIVERSITY
OF PASAY**



**TIWI COMMUNITY
COLLEGE**



INITAO COLLEGE

ALCUCOA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL CITATION 2024

The Special HR Development Citation Award is a recognition given to a member LCU which has the highest delegation in Capability Trainings. A Certificate of Recognition shall be given during the ALCUCOA Annual National Conference.



**TAGUIG CITY
UNIVERSITY**



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AGUILAR
MEMORIAL
COLLEGE OF LAS
PINAS**



**PATEROS
TECHNOLOGICAL
COLLEGE**



**ABUYOG
COMMUNITY
COLLEGE**

ALCUCOA MODEL LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE AWARD 2024

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities commends local chief executives in the country who puts premium to education as a key to social mobility. It could be gleaned from the LCUs vision and strategic direction clearly articulated in terms of employee development, support to learning environment, research and extension and other key areas of effectively managing the LCUs.

It is also essential that LCU is an active member of ALCUCOA and has paid an Annual Membership Fee from January 1 to November 30 of the current year, undertaken accreditation and a recipient of HR Development Award for actively participating in ALCUCOA Capability Training. A Certificate of Recognition shall be awarded during the ALCUCOA Annual National Conference.



HON. RAMIL L. HERNANDEZ

Governor
Provincial Government of Laguna



HON. VILMA B. CALUAG

City Mayor
San Fernando City, Pampanga



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City Mayor
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HON. MARIA LAARNI L. CAYETANO

City Mayor
Taguig City, Metro Manila

ALCUCOA

2024 BEST WEBSITE DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT

In today's digital age, a well-designed and effectively managed website serves as the cornerstone of institutional communication and reputation. The 2024 Best Website Design and Management Awards aim to recognize Local Colleges and Universities (LCUs) that excel in creating impactful online platforms. This initiative not only celebrates digital excellence but also sets benchmarks for transparency, accessibility, and community engagement.

The awards aim to inspire LCUs to elevate their website functionality, design, and content quality, adopting cutting-edge practices to create engaging and user-friendly platforms that resonate with stakeholders. Transparency plays a crucial role, ensuring each website accurately reflects the institution's programs, services, and values, fostering trust and credibility among students, parents, and partners. Moreover, inclusive design is emphasized as an essential component, encouraging adherence to accessibility standards to make websites more user-friendly for individuals with diverse needs. Beyond functionality, these awards highlight the role of websites as platforms for connection, urging LCUs to strengthen ties with students, faculty, alumni, and the local community through thoughtful and engaging online content.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- 1. User Interface and Design (20%)** - Recognizing aesthetic appeal, navigation, and mobile responsiveness.
- 2. Content Quality and Relevance (20%)** - Evaluating the accuracy, clarity, and timeliness of information.
- 3. Functionality and Performance (20%)** - Measuring technical reliability, load speed, and cross-browser compatibility.
- 4. Information Depth and Breadth (15%)** - Assessing the comprehensiveness of the institution's offerings and updates.
- 5. Interactivity and Engagement (15%)** - Judging the website's ability to involve its audience through interactive features.
- 6. Community Engagement and Outreach (10%)** - Highlighting initiatives that connect with the broader community.

ALCUCOA 2023 BEST WEBSITE DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT WINNERS



**PAMANTASAN NG
LUNGSOD NG
MUNTINLUPA
CHAMPION**



**LAGUNA
UNIVERSITY
2nd PLACE**



**QUEZON CITY
UNIVERSITY
3rd PLACE**

ALCUCOA

2024 BEST LCU

CORPORATE VIDEO

The 2024 Best LCU Corporate Video competition celebrates excellence in storytelling, creativity, and communication, recognizing Local Colleges and Universities (LCUs) that use multimedia to showcase their identity, values, and achievements. Corporate videos are powerful tools to highlight academic programs, community impact, and institutional culture, creating narratives that resonate with students, parents, alumni, and partners. This initiative encourages LCUs to embrace creativity, technical proficiency, and authenticity, setting benchmarks for quality and inspiring institutions to strengthen their brand and community connections through impactful audiovisual storytelling.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- 1. Content Quality (30%)** - Clarity, relevance, and impact in delivering the institution's message.
- 2. Visual and Production Quality (20%)** - Professional execution, including cinematography, editing, and overall polish.
- 3. Creativity and Engagement (20%)** - Originality and ability to captivate and connect with viewers emotionally.
- 4. Branding and Identity (15%)** - Reflection of the institution's unique character and values.
- 5. Call-to-Action (10%)** - Effectiveness in motivating viewers to take specific actions (e.g., enrolling, visiting, engaging).
- 6. Accessibility and Reach (5%)** - Inclusivity and connection with diverse audiences across multiple platforms.



ALCUCOA ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

CDM

COLEGIO DE MUNTINLUPA UNDERGOES ACCREDITATION EVALUATION FOR ENGINEERING PROGRAMS



Colegio de Muntinlupa underwent initial accreditation for its Engineering Programs from November 28 to 30, 2023. This process marks an important step toward ensuring high standards in its academic offerings and strengthening the institution's reputation in the field of engineering education. Programs evaluated and granted Candidate Status were BS in Mechanical Engineering, BS in Electronics Engineering, BS in Electrical Engineering, BS in Computer Engineering and BS in Civil Engineering.

The Accreditation Team for this preliminary visit included Dr. Conrado V. Bergantinos for Mechanical Engineering, Engr. Meldanette S. Bayani for Electronics Engineering, Dr. Selfa J. Briones for Electrical Engineering, Dr. Erlinda S. Abarintos for Computer Engineering, Dr. Francis Aldrine A. Uy for Civil Engineering and Prof. Lourdes David for the Library. Dr. Elizabeth Montero served as the Supervising Accreditor.

In November 25-27, 2024, the same programs were submitted for formal visit and were granted Level 1. The Accreditation team for this second visit was led by Dr. Rene Colocar as Supervising Accreditor with Prof. Roilingel Calilung as Library Accreditor, Dr. Marmelo Abante as accreditor for Computer Engineering, Engr. Nestor Competente for Civil Engineering and Electrical Engineering, Engr. Paul Bryan Amagon for Mechanical Engineering, and Engr. Pablo Asi for Electronics Engineering. Prof. Kristin Joy Mendoza as Supervising Technical Assistant for these two visits.

TCCGC

TANGUB CITY GLOBAL COLLEGE COMPLETES MULTI-PROGRAM ACCREDITATION EVALUATION



Tangub City Global College was visited for a comprehensive multi-program accreditation evaluation from December 4-6, 2023. This significant event saw various academic programs rigorously assessed to ensure high standards of education and institutional quality.

Several programs achieved Level 2 accreditation including BSED Filipino, assessed by Dr. Imelda P. Soriano who also served as the Supervising Accreditor, AB Communication assessed by Dr. Gerby R. Muya, BS Computer Science program under Dr. Marmelo V. Abante, BSBA Human Resource Development Management program under Dr. Daniel E. Hebron, BS Office Administration accredited by Dr. Bernie E. Balmeo and BS Criminology program under Dr. Yolanda S. Lira.

Other programs obtained Level 1 accreditation status namely AB English Language, under Dr. Evelyn D. Cruzada and BS Midwifery assessed by Dr. Ma. Cecilia O. Martinez.

Prof. Angelee S. Domingo and Prof. Alni Gavyamin Casacop served as Library Accreditor and Supervising Technical Assistant respectively.

This multi-program accreditation evaluation highlights Tangub City Global College's commitment to maintaining and enhancing the quality of its academic offerings. The successful accreditation of these programs is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the faculty, staff, and students.

CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FERNANDO PURSUES LEVEL 1 ACCREDITATION FOR MULTIPLE PROGRAMS



The City College of San Fernando submitted its academic programs for a comprehensive accreditation assessment from December 5 – 7, 2023. This initiative underscored the college's dedication to upholding educational standards and enhancing the academic experiences it offers.



The programs that were successfully evaluated for Level 1 accreditation included Bachelor of Secondary Education in English, Bachelor of Secondary Education in General Science, Bachelor of Secondary Education in Mathematics, Bachelor of Elementary Education, BS in Information Technology, BS in Business Administration Major in Financial Management, BS in Business Administration Major in Marketing Management and BS in Accounting Information System.



Dr. Rene Colocar served as the Supervising Accreditor, with individual program evaluations conducted by the following accreditors - Dr. Ma. Carmen D. Solayao, Dr. Mel Greg O. Concepcion, Dr. Aileen Aviles Diansuy, Dr. Carolina R. Duka, Dr. Rejan L. Tadeo, Dr. Amado L. Magsino and Dr. Doringer P. Cabrera.

Prof. Angelee S. Domingo served as Library accreditor while Dr. Arnel Leonardo provided technical assistance.

The Level 1 status achieved by each program represented the foundational stage of the accreditation process, involving the establishment of basic quality benchmarks for the institution's academic offerings. The successful Level 1 accreditation affirmed the City College of San Fernando's commitment to quality education and paved the way for further improvements and advancements in each program.

LAGUNA UNIVERSITY PURSUES ACCREDITATION FOR KEY ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



Laguna University submitted its programs for accreditation and was visited last December 11 to 13, 2023 and November 27-29, 2024. The accreditation process provided an opportunity for the university to validate the quality and effectiveness of its programs and improve areas where needed.



The five programs visited in December 2023 and the corresponding accreditors were BS in Computer Science, under Dr. Maricelle M. Nueva, BS in Mechanical Engineering, under Engr. Paul Bryan C. Amagon, BS in Tourism, under Prof. Ma. Christina G. Aquino, Bachelor of Secondary Education (BSED) Major in Science, under Dr. Leticia V. Catris, and BS in Accounting Information System under Prof. Nonalyn V. Gesalan.

BS Mechanical Engineering, BS Tourism, and BSE in Science were granted Level 1 Status while BS Computer Science was given deferred Level 1 status, and BS Accounting Information System passed the Candidate level. The team was joined by Prof. Angelee S. Domingo, Area Accreditor for Library and Prof. Kristin Joy Mendoza, Supervising Technical Assistant. Dr. Armando Laguimun was the Supervising Accreditor.



In the November visit, Dr. Imelda Soriano, led the team as Supervising Accreditor and accreditor for Bachelor of Elementary Education. With her was Prof. Alni Gavjaymin Casacop as Supervising Technical Assistant and Prof. Venus Oruga as Library Accreditor. Education Programs were evaluated by Dr. Rebecca Tolentino (BSED – Math), Dr. Dolores Borrás (BSED – English) while Dr. Ryan Arago accredited BS Information Technology, Dr. Felma Carlos-Tria for BA Communication, Dr. Doringer Cabrera for BS Accountancy, Dr. Melissa Grace-Oreta for BS Entrepreneurship, and Dr. Rejan Tadeo for BS Computer Science (Revisit).



All Education Programs were granted Level 3 status, while other programs were granted Level 2 except for BS Computer Science and BA Communication which were retained at Level 1.

This accreditation process highlights Laguna University's commitment to providing quality education and enhancing its academic programs to better serve its students and the broader community. The university's efforts to achieve these accreditations will strengthen its reputation as a quality institution of higher learning in the region.

CCA

CITY COLLEGE OF ANGELES EMBARKS ON ACCREDITATION PROCESS FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



The City College of Angeles submitted four of its academic programs for Preliminary Visit on December 13-15, 2023. The accreditation team was led by Dr. Elena E. Presnedi who was also the accreditor for Bachelor of Science in Accounting Information System. Among the team were Prof. Lourdes David for Library, Prof. Anselmo C. Giron for BS in Accountancy, Dr. Rosenda Agustin De Gracia for BS in Psychology, and Dr. Nelia G. Prieto for Bachelor of Arts in English Language Studies. All programs were granted Candidate Status. Asst. Prof. Alain Anuevo acted as Supervising Technical Assistant.



UDM

UNIVERSIDAD DE MANILA EMBARKS ON MULTI-LEVEL ACCREDITATION FOR DIVERSE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS



Universidad de Manila pursued multiple accreditation levels for eighteen (18) programs showcasing its dedication to aligning with national educational standards and continuously improving its offerings. The formal visit was held in December 18-20, 2023.

Seven (7) programs were granted Level 2 accreditation namely Bachelor in Public Administration, BS in Social Work, BS in Business Administration Major in Human Resource Management, BS in Business Administration Major in Economics, BS in Business Administration Major in Marketing Management, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, and Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in English.



On the other hand, eleven (11) programs were granted Level 1 accreditation, to wit, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Social Studies, BS in Entrepreneurship, BS in Physical Therapy, BS in Psychology, BS in Nursing, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics, Bachelor of Physical Education, School PE, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in General Science, BS in Criminology, Bachelor of Arts in Communication and BS in Information Technology.

The Accreditation Team was led by Dr. Rene M. Colocar, Supervising Accreditor and Accreditor for BSE Social Studies, and Dr. Ricky Dimaapi, Supervising Technical Assistant. Accreditors include Dr. Elizabeth A. Montero and Dr. Mideth Abisado, Dr. Amalia C. Rosales, Prof. Lorna C. Gabad, Dr. Bradford Antonio C. Martinez, Dr. Julio O. Castillo Jr., Dr. Melissa Grace S. Oreta, Dr. Francis K. Ashipaoloye, Dr. Lorena C. Valerio, Dr. Mona Lisa N. Valencia, Dr. Gilmore G Solidum, Prof. Maria Cherry G. Tanodra, Dr. Danilo B. Solayao, Dr. Isagani G. Triste, Prof. Wendell A. Delos Reyes, Dr. Neil H. Tan Gana, and Dr. Raymunda R. Moreno. Prof. Venus Oruga accredited the area of Library.



The annual accreditation of Universidad de Manila's academic programs manifests its commitment to quality education and continuous improvement. Through these efforts, Universidad de Manila is strengthening its position as a leading institution committed to delivering high-quality education, ensuring that graduates are well-prepared for professional success and societal contributions.

LCCC

LA CARLOTA CITY COLLEGE ADVANCES ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE WITH PROGRAM ACCREDITATION



La Carlota City College is making significant strides in enhancing the quality of its academic programs through a recent accreditation process held in February 5-7, 2024.

Four (4) programs achieved Level 2 accreditation after the assessment made by esteemed accreditors including, Bachelor in Early Childhood under Dr. Imelda Soriano who is also the Supervising Accrerator, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics under Dr. Rebecca Tolentino, Bachelor of Elementary Education - General Education under Dr. Rosemarie Sabado, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in English under Dr. Ronald Gonzales.



The College also achieved Level 1 accreditation status for the following programs Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Filipino under Dr. Dolores Borrás, Bachelor of Arts in English Language Studies under Dr. Ronald Gonzales, Bachelor of Public Administration under Dr. Valentino Baac, BS in Business Administration Major in Financial Management under Prof. Earl Borgoña and BS in Management Accounting under Atty. Gloria Bañas.

Prof. Roilingel Calilung served as Library Accrerator while Ms. Kristin Joy Mendoza as Supervising Technical Assistant.

This accreditation journey underscores La Carlota City College's unwavering commitment to academic excellence and to preparing its students to excel in their respective fields.

GC

GORDON COLLEGE ACHIEVES ACADEMIC MILESTONES WITH NEW PROGRAM ACCREDITATION



Gordon College with its dedication to providing high-quality education across a range of disciplines submitted its programs for accreditation in April 3-5, 2024. The college's efforts resulted to Level 1, Level 2, and even Level 3 accreditation for several programs.

The BS in Nursing Program was granted Level 3 accreditation after the assessment made by Dr. Gilmore Solidum. In addition, Level 2 accreditation was obtained in several programs, namely, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in English, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Social Studies, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics, BSBA Major in Financial Management, BSBA Major in Human Resource Development Management, BS Computer Science, BS Information Technology and BS Customs Administration. Accrereators for the said programs were Dr. Danilo Solayao, Dr. Rosanni Delmundo, Dr. Evelyn Cruzada, Dr. Elena Presnedi, Dr. Bernie Balmeo, Dr. Rolando Lansigan and Dr. Nenette Dagondon respectively.



Level 1, on the other hand, was granted to BS Hospitality Management, BS Tourism Management, BS Midwifery and BA Communication. Accrereators of these programs Prof. Ma. Cristina Aquino, Dr. Cecilia Martinez, and Dr. Danilo Solayao.

Also part of the team were Dr. Augusta Rosario A. Villamater, Library Accrerator and Asst. Prof. Alain J. Anuevo, Supervising Technical Assistant. The team was led by Dr. Elena E. Presnedi, Supervising Accrerator.



As Gordon College continues to grow and develop, its commitment to quality and innovation remains steadfast. The college's efforts in securing these accreditations mark an important milestone in its journey to becoming a leader in higher education, dedicated to shaping the futures of its students and contributing to community development.

PLSP



PAMANTASAN NG LUNGSOD NG SAN PABLO ACHIEVES NEW MILESTONES IN ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng San Pablo (PLSP) continues to strengthen its academic standing through a recent accreditation drive held from April 17-19, 2024. Aiming to ensure the highest standards of quality education, the university has garnered various levels of accreditation for several of its programs.



Programs that attained Level 2 accreditation were Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in English, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Filipino, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in General Science, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Social Studies, Bachelor in Elementary Education, BS in Information Technology, BS in Hospitality Management, BSBA Major in Financial Management, BSBA Major in Marketing Management and BSBA Major in Human Resource Development. Accreditors assigned in these programs were Dr. Nelia Prieto, Dr. Neil Tan Gana, Dr. Arnel Leonardo, Dr. Dalisay Brawner, Prof. Catherine Catamora, Prof. Ma. Cristina Aquino, Dr. Libertad Garcia, Dr. Daniel Hebron and Dr. Julio Castillo, Jr. respectively.



In addition to its Level 2 programs, PLSP has achieved Level 1 accreditation for BS in Psychology, BS Accountancy, BS Computer Engineering and BS Public Administration. Hon. Hector Perez, Dr. Elena Presnedi, Prof. Reagan Ricafort and Dr. Dan Jefferson Lopez served as the accreditors for the said programs.

The university's commitment to advancing the quality of its programs demonstrates its mission to provide an education that meets both local and global standards.

Dr. Presnedi led the team as Supervising Accreditor together with Dr. Augusta Rosario A. Villamater, Library Accreditor and Dr. Ricky Dimaapi, Supervising Technical Assistant.

KNP



KOLEHIYO NG PANTUKAN COMPLETES MULTI-PROGRAM ACCREDITATION EVALUATION

Kolehiyo ng Pantukan successfully underwent a comprehensive multi-program accreditation evaluation held from May 8 to 10, 2024 highlighting its unwavering commitment to academic excellence and program quality.

Several programs were thoroughly assessed and achieved Level 1 accreditation to wit: BSBA Major in Marketing Management, BSED Major in Mathematics, BS Agricultural Business, BSED Major in Technology and Livelihood Education. Dr. Glenda Rebutas, Dr. Amalfi B. Tabin, Jr., Engr. Conrado V. Bergantinos, and Dr. Mark Christian Catapang were in charge of accrediting said programs.



In addition to this, the following programs were awarded Candidate Status, BSED English, BSBA Financial Management and BS Tourism and were accredited by Dr. Elizabeth Montero, Dr. Glenda Rebutas and Dr. Joy Sheelah Era respectively.

BS Criminology, assessed by Dr. Yolanda S. Lira, was awarded Level 2.

Dr. Montero supervised the team along with Asst. Prof. John De Lima who served as Supervising Technical Assistant. Prof. Roilingel Calilung was assigned as Library accreditor.

The outcomes of this evaluation are expected to pave the way for further advancements and enhancements in each of the accredited programs.



TAGUIG CITY UNIVERSITY SUCCESSFULLY UNDERGOES ACCREDITATION FOR VARIOUS ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

From May 15th to 17th, 2024, Taguig City University underwent a comprehensive multi-program accreditation evaluation.

Programs awarded Candidate Status, and the assigned accreditors are Bachelor of Secondary Education (BSE) Major in Science under Dr. Leticia V. Catris, BS in Tourism Management and BS in Hospitality Management under Dr. Rowena P. Sagaysay, BS in Business Administration (BSBA) Major in Human Resource Development Management under Dr. Jocelyn R. Pick, Bachelor of Public Administration under Dr. Lorena C. Valerio, and Bachelor of Social Work under Dr. Lorna C. Gabad.



Graduate programs submitted for accreditation were also awarded Candidate Status namely Master of Science in Criminal Justice by Dr. Yolanda S. Lira, Master in Business Administration (MBA) by Dr. Victor C. Manabat, Master in Public Administration by Dr. Norlito G. Gicana and Master in Education Management by Dr. Enrico Iñigo Xavier C. Quodala.



Other programs were granted Level 1 as follows: Bachelor of Elementary Education, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in English, Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics, BS in Psychology, BS in Office Administration, BS in Computer Science, BS in Business Administration Major in Marketing Management, BS in Entrepreneurial Management. Accreditors for these programs are Dr. Carmelita L. Palabay, Dr. Carolina R. Duka, Dr. Evelyn D. Cruzada, Dr. Aurora B. Fulgencio, Dr. Jocelyn R. Pick, Dr. Rolando R. Lansigan, Dr. Ferdinand L. Martinez, and Dr. Melissa Grace S. Oreta.



Level 2 accreditation was granted to BS in Criminology assessed by Dr. Yolanda S. Lira.

The team was led by Dr. Elizabeth Montero, as Supervising Accreditor and Prof. Alni Gavjaymin Casacop, and Prof. Emily Acero as Supervising Technical Assistants. Prof. Venus Oruga joined the team as Library Accreditor.

The outcomes of this accreditation evaluation are expected to pave the way for further advancements and enhancements in each of the accredited programs, solidifying Taguig City University's reputation as a premier institution for higher learning.



CITY COLLEGE OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE UNDERGOES ACCREDITATION EVALUATION

The City College of San Jose Del Monte submitted its programs for preliminary visit on May 22 to 24, 2024. This evaluation is a significant step for the City College of San Jose Del Monte, reflecting its dedication to academic excellence and continuous improvement.

The following programs were awarded Candidate Status - Bachelor in Physical Education, BS Entertainment and Multimedia Computing, BS Criminology, and Bachelor in Public Administration.



The accreditation team was led by Dr. Rene Colocar, Supervising Accreditor and Dr. Marilou Tayao, Supervising Technical Assistant. Accreditors assigned include Prof. Angelee S. Domingo, Library Accreditor, Prof. Wendell A. Delos Reyes, Prof. Reagan B. Ricafort, Dr. Rosenda A. De Gracia and Dr. Amalia C. Rosales.

KCAST

KAPALONG COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY ACHIEVES MULTI-PROGRAM ACCREDITATION



Kapalong College of Agriculture Sciences and Technology successfully underwent a rigorous multi-program accreditation evaluation. This milestone underscored the institution's dedication to maintaining high educational standards and enhancing its academic programs. The formal visit was held on May 29 to 31, 2024.

Dr. Imelda Soriano led the accreditation team as Supervising Accreditor together with Dr. Ricky Dimaapi, Supervising Technical Assistant. Other members of the accreditation team are, Prof. Angelee S. Domingo, Library Accreditor, Dr. Analiza F. Arcega, Dr. Doringer P. Cabrera, Dr. Bernie E. Balmeo, Dr. Valentino G. Baac, Dr. Yolanda S. Lira, Dr. Bradford Antonio C. Martinez, Dr. Ma. Carmen D. Solayao, and Dr. Selfa J. Briones.



Programs granted Level 2 were Bachelor of Elementary Education – Generalist, BSBA Financial Management, BSOA Office Management, Bachelor of Public Administration, and BS Criminology. Other programs accredited were granted Candidate Status including BSBA Marketing Management, BSED in Filipino and BSED in Mathematics.

This accreditation process marked a significant step for Kapalong College of Agriculture Sciences and Technology, reflecting its ongoing commitment to academic excellence and continuous improvement.

BCC

BACOLOD CITY COLLEGE AIMS FOR NEW ACCREDITATIONS



Bacolod City College (BCC) underwent a rigorous accreditation process for several programs from September 11 to 13, 2024.

The following programs were assessed and passed the Candidate Status: BS in Office Administration and BSBA major in Marketing Management accredited by Dr. Glenda A. Rebutas, Bachelor of Secondary Education major in English and Bachelor of Secondary Education major in Filipino assessed by Dr. Danilo B. Solayao, Bachelor of Secondary Education major in Mathematics assessed by Dr. Darwin P. Paguio, Bachelor of Elementary Education handled by Dr. Nelia G. Prieto, Bachelor in Industrial Technology, major in Construction Technology under Dr. Ria Liza C. Canlas, Bachelor in Industrial Technology, major in Electronics Technology under Dr. Danilo S. Hilario, BS in Information Systems accredited by Dr. Danny G. Umoso and BS in Entrepreneurship handled by Dr. Elena E. Presnedi who also served as Supervising Accreditor.



Prof. Venus B. Oruga joined the team as Library Accreditor and Prof. Kristin Joy A. Mendoza as Supervising Technical Assistant.

TCC



TAGOLOAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE PURSUES ACCREDITATION TO STRENGTHEN ACADEMIC STANDARDS

September 18-20, 2024 – Tagoloan Community College (TCC) was subjected to a significant accreditation process, enhancing its commitment to high-quality education and institutional excellence. A range of TCC programs were evaluated for either candidate status or Level 1 accreditation, reinforcing the institution's dedication to meeting stringent academic standards.

The following TCC programs were granted Level 1 accreditation Bachelor of Arts Major in Sociology, Bachelor in Elementary Education, and BSBA Financial Management. These programs were assessed by Dr. Diony V. Varela, Dr. Analiza F. Arcega and Dr./Atty. Gloria J. Bañas.

Programs granted Candidate Status are Bachelor in Secondary Education Major in English, Bachelor in Secondary Education Major in Filipino, BS Criminal Justice and Public Safety, BS in Hotel and Restaurant Management, BS Community Development, Bachelor in Secondary Education Major in Physical Education, Bachelor in Secondary Education Major in Social Studies, BS Information Technology, Bachelor of Library and Information Science and BS Midwifery. Accreditors of these programs include Dr. Carolina R. Duka, Prof. Antonio D. Flores, Jr., Dr. Irene R. De Villa, Dr. Diony V. Varela, Dr. Priscilla L. Miñas, Prof. Arlida M. Pame, Dr. Khatalyn E. Mata, Prof. Angelee S. Domingo and Dr. Ma. Cecilia O. Martinez.

Prof. Angelee S. Domingo also accredited the Library Area. The team was led by Dr./Atty. Gloria J. Bañas, Supervising Accreditor, assisted by Dr. Ricky Dimaapi, Supervising Technical Assistant.

CLB



COLEGIO NG LUNGSOD NG BATANGAS CELEBRATES LEVEL 2 ACCREDITATION FOR KEY PROGRAMS

Colegio ng Lungsod ng Batangas (CLB) submitted two (2) programs, Bachelor of Elementary Education and Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BSBA) Major in Marketing, for accreditation on October 21-23, 2024.

Bachelor of Elementary Education was assessed by Dr. Elizabeth Montero who was also the Supervising Accreditor while BSBA Marketing was handled by Dr. Victor Manabat. The Library Area, on the other hand, was handled by Dr. Augusta Rosario Villamater. Prof. Emily Acero assisted the team as Supervising Technical Assistant.

The successful accreditation of these programs for Level 2 status marks a significant milestone for Colegio ng Lungsod ng Batangas.

MONCAST

ACCREDITATION ENHANCES ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AT MONCAST



From November 13 to 15, 2024, Monkayo College of Arts and Sciences (MONCAST) underwent a comprehensive accreditation process, further solidifying its commitment to academic excellence and quality education.

Business Administration Programs were accredited by Dr. Libertad Garcia (Financial Management), Dr. Daniel Hebron (Marketing Management), and Bernie Balmeo (Human Resource Management). These programs achieved Level 1 accreditation.



Education Programs, on the other hand, were evaluated by Dr. Ma. Carmen D. Solayao (BSED English), Dr. Rosanni Del Mundo (BSED Social Studies) and Dr. Rosemarie Sabado (BEED). Both Secondary Education programs achieved Level 1 accreditation while the Elementary Education program was recommended for Level 2 accredited Status.

The Accreditation Team was joined by Dr. Elizabeth Montero, Supervising Accreditor, Prof. Angelee S. Domingo, Library Accreditor and Asst. Prof. Alain J. Anuevo, Supervising Technical Assistant.



QCU

QUEZON CITY UNIVERSITY UNDERGOES ACCREDITATION ANEW



Quezon City University submitted anew its academic programs for accreditation from December 4 to 6, 2024. This rigorous evaluation was overseen by Dr. Elena Presnedi Supervising Accreditor and Dr. Ricky Dimaapi, Supervising Technical Assistant.

The Accreditation Team included a distinguished group of program accreditors who brought their extensive expertise and insights to the assessment namely Prof. Catherine Catamora, for BS in Information Technology, Engr. Lourdes Lasian for BS in Industrial Engineering, Dr. Frances Thea De Mesa for BS in Electronics Engineering. Dr. Presnedi evaluated the program BS in Entrepreneurship. Prof. Roilingel Calilung evaluated the Library Area.



This successful accreditation process not only brings recognition but also strengthens the institution's reputation for providing top-tier education. It paves the way for future endeavors and collaborations, furthering the mission of delivering quality education to students.





ALCUCOA CAPABILITY TRAININGS

32nd CAPABILITY TRAINING

The Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) held its 32nd Capability Training Program from April 29 to May 1, 2024, at La Carmela de Boracay, Boracay Island, with the theme "Relearning Outcomes-Based Education (OBE)." The event brought together 70 academic leaders and professionals to discuss strategies for enhancing quality assurance and innovation in higher education.

Renowned speakers, Dr. Rene Colocar and Dr. Lucila Calairo, shared insights on topics including Design Thinking, Constructive Alignment, and OBE Implementation in ASEAN, focusing on aligning curricular programs with OBE standards, monitoring learning outcomes, and adapting to the evolving educational landscape.

This training program inspired collaboration among participants and encouraged the integration of transformative practices in local colleges and universities. ALCUCOA's initiative reaffirms its dedication to advancing quality education and global competitiveness across the country.



33rd CAPABILITY TRAINING

The Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) successfully hosted its 33rd Capability Training Program from June 26 to 28, 2024, at Grand Menseng Hotel, Davao City, under the theme "Internalization of Accreditation." The event welcomed 55 academic leaders and professionals eager to explore international accreditation practices and smart accreditation strategies.

Esteemed speakers Dr. Elizabeth Montero, Vice President of ALCUCOA and Chancellor of ALCU Academy, and Dr. Marjorie S. Tangog, Executive Vice President of the University of Perpetual Help, shared their expertise on vital topics. Discussions included Responding and Building Champions for Change Through Internationalization, Engaging LUCs to Smart Accreditation, Understanding International Accreditation, Looking Through the AQAF Lens, and Benchmarks: International Accreditation Practices.

This training program equipped attendees with insights into aligning their institutions with international accreditation standards, emphasizing innovation, adaptability, and excellence. ALCUCOA continues to empower local colleges and universities by fostering collaboration and preparing them for the demands of global education.



34th CAPABILITY TRAINING

The Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) held its 34th Capability Training Program from August 21 to 23, 2024, at Hotel del Rio, Iloilo City, focusing on the theme "Corporate Good Governance for LCUs." The event brought together 86 academic leaders and professionals to discuss the principles and practices of good governance in higher education institutions.

The keynote speaker, Dr. Evelyn D. Cruzada, a highly regarded technical consultant for the National Educators Academy of the Philippines and former Assistant Cabinet Secretary in the Office of the President, led the discussions. Key topics included What is Good Governance?, Good Corporate Governance, Navigating Corporate Governance in Higher Education, Leading in Work Teams, and Developing High-Performing Work Teams. Participants also explored practical strategies, such as Ten Simple Strategies for Leveraging Power and Communicating Company Core Values, to enhance leadership and organizational efficiency.

This program highlighted the critical role of governance in fostering accountability, transparency, and excellence in local colleges and universities. ALCUCOA's commitment to empowering LCUs through capacity-building initiatives ensures the continuous development of high-performing institutions ready to meet the demands of a dynamic educational landscape.



35th CAPABILITY TRAINING

The Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) hosted its 35th Capability Training Program from October 2 to 4, 2024, at the Bohol Bee Farm Hotel, Tagbilaran, Bohol, under the theme "Corporate Good Governance for LCUs." The event gathered 62 academic leaders and professionals to focus on strategic governance and employee engagement.

Speakers Dir. Arthur Luis P. Florentin, former Executive Director of the Civil Service Institute, and Dr. Elizabeth A. Montero, ALCUCOA Vice President, led sessions on topics including The Balanced Scorecard Concepts and Applications, Driving Employee Engagement and Change, and Collaboration and Collective Engagement.

The program highlighted the importance of strategic alignment, responsive governance, and fostering dynamic workplace engagement. ALCUCOA continues to empower LCUs with practical tools to enhance academic and organizational excellence.

ALCUCOA CAPABILITY TRAININGS 2025

The 2025 ALCUCOA Capability Trainings bring together a dynamic array of topics to empower Local Colleges and Universities in fostering excellence and innovation. Anchored in lifelong learning and community education, the program addresses the evolving landscape of artificial intelligence, emphasizing data privacy and microcredentials as pathways to productivity and sustainability. Participants will explore engendered curricula, promoting employee and student engagement, and delve into transformative education through research and extension initiatives.

SERIES	TITLE	DATE	VENUE
36th	Lifelong Learning and Community Education	March 12-14, 2025	Noble Hotel, Cebu
37th	Understanding the Evolving Landscape of Artificial Intelligence: Data Privacy and Microcredentials towards Productivity & Sustainability	May 7-9, 2025	Boracay Tropics Resort Hotel
38th	Pursuing Engendered Curriculum: Employee and Students Engagement	July 9-11, 2025	Fleuris Hotel, Palawan
39th	Transformative Education through Research and Extension	September 10-12, 2025	Hotel Salcedo de Vigan
40th	LCU: Leading Strategic Change	November 15-17, 2025	City of Baguio
National Conference	18th ALCUCOA National Conference	December 9-10, 2025	The Manila Hotel

ALCUCOA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

EVENT	DATE	VENUE
Accreditors Certification and Advanced Training	February 8-9, 2025	ALCUCOA Corporate Building
2025 Summer Camp	June 21-22, 2025	Lago de Oro Calatagan, Batangas
Year-End Convocation	December 27, 2025	Luxent Hotel



ALCUCOA GLOBAL ENGAGEMENTS 2024

ALCUCOA 1st Global Engagement

Spain

ALCUCOA FLIES TO BARCELONA FOR THE QS HIGHER ED SUMMIT: EUROPE 2024

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities (ALCUCOA) participated in the prestigious QS Higher Ed Summit: Europe 2024, held on July 11-12, 2024, at Meliá Sitges in Barcelona, Spain. The summit, hosted by the EU Business School, brought together leading voices in higher education to discuss pressing issues in the global academic landscape. ALCUCOA was represented by a delegation led by Dr. Raymundo Arcega, who actively engaged with participants from across Europe and beyond.

The summit's theme, "Change Makers in Sustainability: New Visions of Europe Higher Ed by Empowering Young Minds," focused on how universities can contribute to sustainable development and empower future generations. Dr. Arcega and the ALCUCOA team learned from discussions that addressed the evolving role of higher education in fostering sustainability, both in terms of curriculum and institutional practices.

The program covered several compelling topics, including the "Importance of Sustainability and Environmental Topics" as part of higher education curricula in European universities, and "Uniting Educational Frontiers between Latin America and Spain". One particularly engaging session, "The Trouble with Tech", explored the challenges and opportunities posed by rapidly advancing technology in higher education.

Renowned speakers from prominent European institutions, such as the European University of Technology, the University of Andorra, and the Open University of Catalonia, shared their insights on how universities can adapt to the changing demands of global education. These sessions offered ALCUCOA valuable perspectives on sustainability, technological innovation, and international collaborations, which are key to enhancing the quality of education in the Philippines.

ALCUCOA's participation in the summit highlighted the importance of staying at the forefront of global educational trends and empowering local colleges and universities to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing world.



ALCUCOA 2nd Global Engagement

Bangladesh

ALCUCOA CEMENTS PARTNERSHIP WITH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BANGLADESH

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities (ALCUCOA) held its 1st Local Colleges and Universities Global Engagement Forum last July 23, 2024, at the Colegio de Muntinlupa in Muntinlupa City. The event marked a significant milestone in fostering international partnerships, featuring a collaboration between ALCUCOA and 19 of its member institutions with the American International University Bangladesh (AIUB).

In his special message, Muntinlupa City Mayor Hon. Rozanno Rufino B. Biazon commended ALCUCOA and the participating local colleges and universities for their commitment to internationalization and strengthening academic ties with global institutions. He highlighted the importance of global collaboration in expanding opportunities for students and faculty, enhancing the educational landscape in the Philippines.

The forum featured presentations by Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna and Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman from AIUB, who shared details of the new partnership aimed at encouraging international exchange programs, collaborative research, and other academic opportunities. The collaboration will provide pathways for local universities and colleges to connect with international peers, facilitating growth in academic exchanges and global learning.

A highlight of the event was the formal signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between AIUB and ALCUCOA, along with 19 member institutions. These universities and colleges committed to the partnership, paving the way for joint academic initiatives and research opportunities. The institutions that signed the MOU with AIUB include: 1) Calaca City Global College, 2) City College of Calamba, 3) City College of San Fernando Pampanga, 4) City College of San Jose Del Monte, 5) City University of Pasay, 6) Colegio de Muntinlupa, 7) Gordon College, 8) La Carlota City College, 9) Laguna University, 10) Marikina Polytechnic College, 11) Navotas Polytechnic College, 12) Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa, 13) Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng San Pablo, 14) Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Pasig, 15) Parañaque City College, 16) Pateros Technological College, 17) Quezon City University, 18) Taguig City University, and 19) Universidad de Manila.

This forum marks a significant step toward enhancing the global engagement of Philippine higher education institutions, positioning them for greater international collaboration and academic excellence.



ALCUCOA 3rd Global Engagement

Indonesia

ALCUCOA PARTICIPATES IN GLOBAL INTERNATIONALIZATION TRAINING IN SURABAYA, INDONESIA

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities (ALCUCOA) participated in the Global Internationalization Training held from July 9-11, 2024, at Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS Surabaya) in Surabaya, Indonesia. The event brought together higher education leaders and experts from the Philippines, China, Indonesia, and other parts of the globe to share insights and strategies on advancing internationalization in universities.

Representing ALCUCOA at the seminar, Vice President Dr. Elizabeth Montero engaged in a comprehensive program covering a range of critical topics related to global higher education. These included the internationalization journey of ITS Surabaya, an exploration of the varied contexts in which universities operate internationally, and the complex systems of world university rankings. Dr. Montero and other participants also examined strategies for improving global reputations, managing international partnerships, and developing internationalization programs that are aligned with institutional goals.

The seminar highlighted the importance of involving faculty and staff in internationalization efforts, ensuring they are equipped to engage with global academic networks. A key session was dedicated to the role of internationalization in achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), emphasizing the interconnectedness of education and global sustainability.

In addition to formal presentations, the training featured networking sessions where attendees could exchange ideas and collaborate on future international initiatives. This offered an invaluable opportunity for ALCUCOA to gain new perspectives on how Philippine higher education institutions can strengthen their international presence and contribute to global academic development.

Through its participation in this seminar, ALCUCOA demonstrated its commitment to enhancing the global engagement of local colleges and universities, fostering collaborations that will ultimately elevate the quality and impact of education in the Philippines and beyond.



ALCUCOA 4th Global Engagement

India

LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT FORUM: ALCUCOA EXPLORES ACADEMIC COLLABORATION IN INDIA

From October 13 to 19, 2024, a delegation representing the Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities (ALCUCOA) participated in the 2nd Local Colleges and Universities Global Engagement Forum in India. The group, representing Tagoloan Community College and Tangub City Global College, embarked on a significant academic exchange aimed at exploring international collaboration opportunities for local higher education institutions. Diliman College, led by Former Senator Anna Dominique Coseteng also participated.

The delegation visited several Indian institutions to deepen their understanding of global educational trends and share insights into strengthening academic partnerships. Among the notable institutions were Rashtriya Raksha University, specializing in criminology studies, and the National Forensic Science University, renowned for its forensic education programs. Other key visits included Mount Litera Zee School, a leader in modern educational practices, and Gujarat Technological University, a hub for engineering and technology. BZ Global Education, which emphasizes global learning opportunities, also hosted the delegation.

The group's leadership was composed of key figures from the participating colleges, including Dr. Maricelle Nueva, College President of Tangub City Global College; Dr. Kharen Jane Ungab, Vice President for Academic Affairs of Tagoloan Community College; and Ms. Marilyn Tangon, Vice President for Administration of Tagoloan Community College. The delegation also included Dr. Yolanda Lira, a Criminology Program Accreditor of ALCUCOA, and her husband, Atty. Fortunato Lira, a Senior Law Practitioner. Prof. Wendell Delos Reyes, Vice President of Diliman College, also contributed his expertise to the trip.

This international forum not only broadened the participating institutions' perspectives on global education but also laid the groundwork for potential collaborations in research, faculty exchanges, and student mobility. Through these engagements, the delegation hopes to elevate the global presence of Philippine higher education, creating new avenues for growth and innovation in academic programs.



ALCUCOA 5th Global Engagement

Macau

ALCUCOA OFFICIALS ATTEND PRESTIGIOUS QS APAC SUMMIT IN MACAU

The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities (ALCUCOA) represented by Dr. Raymundo Arcega, Dr. Imelda Soriano, Dr./Atty. Gloria V. Banas, Dr. Maricelle Nueva, Dr. Analiza Arcega and Ms. Kristin Joy Mendoza joined global education leaders at the QS Asia Pacific Summit in Macau. Held at the Macau University of Science and Technology (MUST), the summit aimed to foster international collaboration in higher education and featured an agenda packed with thought-provoking panel discussions, keynote addresses, cultural showcases, and networking opportunities.

A cultural performance featuring Portuguese folklore dancing, symbolizing Macau's rich cultural heritage welcomed the more than 1000 participants from all over the world. The opening ceremony saw remarks from Kong Chi Meng, Director of the Education and Youth Development Bureau of Macau SAR, and Joseph Hun-wei Lee, President, and Vice-Chancellor of MUST.

A major highlight was the "Asia Pacific Leadership Dialogue," where prominent speakers, including Dr. Shirley Agrupis, Commissioner of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Philippines, addressed the transformative role of partnerships in tackling pressing global challenges like climate change and social inequality. This session underscored the importance of bridging cultural and institutional gaps to drive meaningful collaborations.

Engaging panel discussions like "Rise of the Reskillers" explored the role of higher education in building lifelong learning ecosystems. With rapid technological advancements reshaping job markets, participants emphasized cultivating adaptable mindsets and integrating technology into education to meet the demands of lifelong learners. The summit also had focused discussions on the following topics: "Open door, Open Minds: Embracing Collaboration with External Partners & Society", "Rise of the Reskillers: Building lifelong learning ecosystems", "Micro-Mastery: Equipping learners with bite-sized skills for a changing job market", "The Virtual Exchange: Collaborative research without borders", "Student at Helm: Empowering learners as co-creators of knowledge", "Global Connections Student Recruitment in Asia Pacific", "Diversifying Minds in Higher Ed" and "AI architects: Designing the future of learning AI".

The summit also delved into the future of education with sessions like "Aligning Curriculum/Programme Strategy with the Global Skills Map," led by Patrick Brothers of QS Quacquarelli Symonds. Discussions revolved around preparing students for emerging industries by aligning curricula with global labor market demands and fostering industry-academic collaborations. The first day of the summit concluded with a Gala Dinner at the Galaxy International Convention Centre which featured the QS Stars Awards Ceremony where qualified HEIs all over the world, including Philippine HEIs, were recognized.

The attendance of ALCUCOA officials at the summit underscores the association's commitment to advancing higher education standards and fostering international collaboration. Their participation not only highlighted local efforts in education reform but also provided an avenue for sharing best practices and exploring partnerships with institutions across the Asia-Pacific region.



**ALCUCOA
IN THE SENATE &
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ALCUCOA Actively Participates in EDCOM2 Discussions on Quality Assurance



The Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) has demonstrated its commitment to advancing quality assurance in higher education by actively participating in the meetings and discussions of the Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM2). These meetings, which aimed to address critical issues such as harmonization and typologies, served as vital platforms for shaping the future of education in the Philippines. ALCUCOA's involvement in these discussions underscored its dedication to improving educational standards across local universities and colleges.

Harmonization was a key topic of the workshops held throughout the year. Harmonization refers to the process of standardizing quality assurance methods and approaches used by accrediting agencies, ensuring that institutions across the country adhere to consistent criteria and practices. The workshops focused on aligning accreditation standards to improve transparency and enhance the credibility of academic programs. ALCUCOA, led by its president and executive director, Dr. Raymundo Arcega, took a proactive role in these discussions, emphasizing the association's commitment to ensuring that local colleges and universities uphold high academic standards.

The first harmonization workshop took place on March 24 at Diliman College in Quezon City. This event gathered representatives from various higher education institutions to discuss challenges and solutions related to the standardization of quality assurance processes. ALCUCOA contributed valuable insights, advocating for the inclusion of local perspectives in the development of these standards. On June 22, the second harmonization workshop at the Quezon City Sports Club continued these discussions, where ALCUCOA's representatives further explored how these standards could be adapted to meet the unique needs of local institutions.

The third workshop on September 19 at the University of Makati focused on refining the proposed harmonization frameworks, with ALCUCOA once again taking an active role. Dr. Arcega and his team underscored the importance of collaboration between accreditation bodies and higher education institutions to ensure that the harmonization process is both inclusive and effective.

In addition to the harmonization workshops, ALCUCOA also participated in a roundtable discussion on typologies held on November 15 at the University of the Philippines BGC Taguig. Typologies refer to the categorization of higher education institutions based on various characteristics, such as program offerings and institutional capacities. The discussion was critical for understanding how different types of institutions could best align with national education goals while maintaining their unique identities. ALCUCOA's input was instrumental in ensuring that local colleges and universities were adequately represented in these discussions.

Through these engagements, ALCUCOA continues to advocate for the importance of quality assurance and the need for a unified approach in Philippine higher education. Its active participation in EDCOM2 discussions reaffirms its mission to ensure that local institutions not only meet but exceed national and international standards of excellence.

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An Active Partner of the Philippine Congress in Shaping the Future of Higher Education



The Commission on Accreditation for Local Colleges and Universities (ALCUCOA) has been at the forefront of advocating for measures that shape and enhance the Philippine higher education system. Through active engagement with the Philippine House of Representatives and Senate Committee on Higher and Technical Education, ALCUCOA has consistently presented critical insights and position papers that reflect its deep understanding of the challenges and opportunities within the sector.

One of ALCUCOA's key contributions was its presentation on “Achieving Complementarity in Philippine Higher Education: The LCU Perspective” on January 29, 2024. In this position paper, ALCUCOA called for a more integrated and complementary approach to higher education in the country. Acknowledging the diverse needs of learners and the varying capabilities of educational institutions, the paper emphasized the importance of fostering collaboration between public and private universities, technical-vocational institutions, and other stakeholders. The goal was to ensure that every Filipino student has access to a relevant and high-quality education, while avoiding redundancy and inefficiencies within the system. ALCUCOA's insights underscored how this complementarity could lead to greater academic and industry alignment, ultimately contributing to the national workforce's readiness and competitiveness.



In another pivotal engagement, ALCUCOA presented a “Position Statement on Resolution of Both Houses No. 7” on March 4, 2024. This resolution, proposing amendments to certain economic provisions of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, specifically targeted Articles XII, XIV, and XVI, which address economic policies, education, and the professional regulation of industries. ALCUCOA's stance on the matter was that these constitutional amendments should consider the broader context of educational and professional development in the country. By advocating for measures that would enhance the flexibility and sustainability of the higher education system, ALCUCOA urged lawmakers to ensure that any amendments aligned with the long-term vision for Philippine education and its role in the global economy.



Furthermore, ALCUCOA's position paper on the “Modernization of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC),” presented on March 9, 2024, highlighted the importance of modernizing and adapting the PRC to the demands of an evolving professional landscape. The paper underscored the need for efficient regulatory mechanisms to ensure that professionals across various sectors are equipped with the necessary credentials and skills, while also fostering global competitiveness.



Through these engagements, ALCUCOA continues to play a crucial role in influencing legislation that impacts the Philippine higher education system. By offering thoughtful perspectives on complementarity, constitutional amendments, and professional regulation, ALCUCOA is paving the way for a more robust, responsive, and future-ready education sector.



ALCUCOA RESEARCH INITIATIVES



HYBRID ALCUCOA NATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2024 TACKLES GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT TOPICS

The ALCUCOA National Research Conference, held on July 18-19, 2024, at the City College of Angeles in Pampanga, brought together researchers, educators, and experts to tackle the theme, “Pursuing Global Development through Local Multidisciplinary Education.” Organized by the Association of Local Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (ALCUCOA) in collaboration with the City College of Angeles and Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa, this event served as a significant platform for addressing global development challenges through a local, multidisciplinary approach.



The conference aimed to explore how research from various disciplines—spanning business, education, health, social sciences, and more—can offer solutions to pressing global issues. It emphasized the importance of local contexts and perspectives in contributing to broader development goals. With 65 papers from different academic institutions, the event underscored the role of higher education institutions in addressing challenges that transcend borders.



The first day of the conference was marked by a thought-provoking plenary session delivered by Dr. Ethelbert Dapiton, Chairman of the Pampanga Research Educators Organization. Dr. Dapiton’s talk focused on qualitative research and its philosophical underpinnings. He highlighted how local research, grounded in context and community needs, can serve as a springboard for global solutions, especially when connected to interdisciplinary collaborations. His presentation set the stage for the series of discussions that followed, emphasizing the necessity of bringing diverse perspectives together to tackle multifaceted global challenges. On the second day, Prof. Johnny Amora, Director for Institutional Effectiveness and Research at De La Salle-College of Saint Benilde, delivered the second plenary address. Prof. Amora’s talk centered on quantitative research. He elaborated on how educational institutions can leverage their research capabilities to design impactful solutions that address both local and global needs.



Throughout the two-day event, the conference featured a variety of breakout sessions designed to delve deeper into specific subthemes. The sessions offered a platform for in-depth discussions, each one exploring how different disciplines can collaborate to drive change. The subthemes of the conference were: 1) Integrating Business, Leadership, and Educational Technology for Innovation, 2) Embracing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity, 3) Interdisciplinary Solutions to Complex Social, Economic, and Cultural Issues, 4) Local Higher Education, Public Policy, and Sustainable Development, and 5) Promoting Health and Wellbeing through Education.



The ALCUCOA National Research Conference not only served as an academic gathering but also as a call to action for integrating research across disciplines to address global challenges. By focusing on local solutions with global impact, the conference highlighted the importance of fostering collaborative, interdisciplinary research that empowers communities and drives long-term development. With such initiatives, the event proved that local higher education institutions can play a key role in shaping a better, more sustainable future for all.



LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES RESEARCH NETWORK

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES RESEARCH NETWORK: A NEW ERA FOR RESEARCH COLLABORATION

On July 19, 2024, a significant milestone for academic research in the Philippines was achieved with the establishment of the Local Colleges and Universities Research Network (LRN). This groundbreaking initiative was launched as part of the ALCUCOA National Research Conference, held at the City College of Angeles in Pampanga. The LRN aims to foster a dynamic and collaborative platform that advances multidisciplinary research and academic excellence, primarily among local colleges and universities in the Philippines, while also engaging with institutions of learning and spheres of scholarship both locally and globally.

The LRN is driven by a commitment to create opportunities for collaboration and networking between higher education institutions. Recognizing the challenges that local colleges and universities face in securing resources and visibility for research initiatives, the network's core objectives include facilitating partnerships, securing research funding and support, and promoting the dissemination of research outputs. By working together, member institutions aim to enhance the quality and impact of research in various fields, ensuring that local scholars can contribute meaningfully to global academic discussions and innovations.

In addition to networking and research funding, the LRN places a strong emphasis on professional development for researchers. By organizing workshops, training sessions, and seminars, the network seeks to equip academics with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their research endeavors. Another key aspect of the LRN's mission is advocacy and policy influence, ensuring that the needs and interests of local colleges and universities are represented in national and international discussions on research and higher education.

One of the primary activities of the LRN will be the organization of annual research conferences. These events will serve as platforms for presenting research findings, fostering interdisciplinary dialogues, and creating new avenues for collaboration across different institutions. Furthermore, the LRN plans to produce publications that highlight the scholarly work being done within local colleges and universities, contributing to the broader academic community and ensuring that these institutions' research achievements are recognized.

During the launch event on July 19, the officers of the LRN were also elected, marking the formalization of the network's leadership. These officers will play a pivotal role in guiding the network's activities and ensuring that its objectives are successfully implemented.

With its establishment, the Local Colleges and Universities Research Network is poised to play a vital role in strengthening the research capabilities of local academic institutions, contributing to the development of a more inclusive, innovative, and globally competitive higher education landscape in the Philippines.

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AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT AUGUST 31, 2024 AND 2023
(Amounts in Philippine Peso)

	2024	2023
	Pesos	Pesos
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalent	13,902,308	10,462,850
Cash Advances from Officers	-	490,129
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	13,902,308	10,952,979
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
Property and Equipment-net	9,315,240	9,315,240
Office Equipment	865,577	865,577
Intangible Asset	-	22,500
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	10,180,817	10,203,317
TOTAL ASSETS	24,083,125	21,156,296
LIABILITIES		
Withholding tax payable	125,806	125,806
TOTAL LIABILITIES	125,806	125,806

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	2024	2023
RECEIPTS		
Accreditation Fees	6,882,000	1,721,000
Capability Training Revenue	1,539,000	2,041,700
Conference fee	888,250	1,482,195
Annual Dues	473,400	270,000
Refunds	32,558	-
Interest Income - Net	4,589	-
TOTAL RECEIPTS	9,819,797	5,514,895
EXPENSES		
Administrative Expenses	1,995,413	1,021,155
Program Accreditation Expenses	1,650,536	863,949
Annual Conference Costs	1,566,563	1,412,119
Capability Training Expenses	1,423,139	1,673,838
Certification Fees & Annual Dues	212,500	278,500
Other Expenses	104,500	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	6,952,651	5,249,561
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER EXPENDITURES	2,867,146	265,334



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