



## CSU'S MED TECH DELIVERS 100% BOARD PERFORMANCE, CLINCHES TOP 1 & 10 NATIONAL TOPNOTCHER SPOTS

The Cagayan State University has consistently marked its place in the national scene for the Medical Technologist Licensure Examination, as the recently concluded board exam results register a 100% passing rate, with two national topnotcher spots.

The Cagayan State University, for its fourth consecutive year, had again marked a 100% passing rate for the March Board Examination, surpassing the 77.03% national passing rate. This paved the name of the University as the number one top performing school for Medical Technology. The College of Allied Health Sciences, under the strong leadership of Dean Julius Capili, produced 127 newly registered Medical Technologists, the highest number of takers that CSU has put forward for the said examination.

The bar is raised further as two were able to clinch national topnotcher spots. John Steward B. Alberto finished at the Top 1 spot with a score of 91.10%, while Ryan Jay L. Lomboy ranked at the Top 10 spot with a score of 88.90%. University President Urdujah A. Tejada and Vice President for Administration and Finance, Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino accorded the two with cash incentives where Steward B. Alberto accepted a cheque amounting to 20,00.00 pesos, while Ryan Jay L. Lomboy accepted his with an amount of 10,000.00 pesos.

One day after the announcement of results, John Steward said that he was still on a state of "cloud nine" after hearing the news. The two national awardees both shared that they did not expect to be part of the topnotchers list. Ryan Jay further

added that it came as a surprise to him as they were only aiming to finish with a 100% mark, thus, being part of the list was just a bonus.

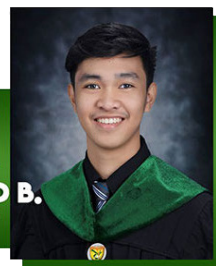
John and Ryan spoke on behalf of their batchmates as they admitted that there was a lot of pressure on their part to follow in the footsteps of the previous batches, especially that they had the largest batch of board takers. That is why they expressed their gratitude for their mentors' overwhelming support and guidance as they successfully journeyed to the finish line.

During the Testimonial Dinner held in honor of the new breed of CSU Medical Technologist, University President Urdujah A. Tejada also thank the members of the faculty of the College of Allied Health Sciences for their dedication in upholding the standards

that brought the name of the University in the national setting.

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**TOP 1**  
**JOHN STEWARD B. ALBERTO, RMT**



**TOP 10**  
**RYAN JAY L. LOMBOY, RMT**



## CSU EXCEEDS NATIONAL PASSING RATES FOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND PHYSICIAN LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS

By: Ian Roger M. Francisco

Cagayan State University continues to cultivate excellence and quality as it continues to generate higher institutional passing rate, in contrast to the national passing percentage, for the April 2019 Electrical Engineering Licensure Examination and the March 2019 Physician Licensure Examination.

Based on the examination results released by the Professional Regulation

Commission (PRC) last April 25, 2019, CSU's COE registered a 100% passing rate where all of the 44 first-time takers passed, with a recorded 95.65% overall rating for first-timers with repeaters. The national passing rate for the April 2019 Electrical Engineering Licensure Examination (EELE) is 62.79%.

Furthermore, PRC declared Cagayan State University – Carig Campus as the top 4

performing school nationwide for its outstanding performance.

The CSU College of Engineering (COE) landed on the fourth place among 182 schools that participated in the national examination which was administered in Manila, Baguio, Cagayan De Oro, Cebu, Davao, Iloilo, Legaspi, Lucena, and Tacloban. University of the Philippines took the first place on list.

On the other hand, the CSU College of Medicine (CM) recorded an 85.11% passing rate in the March 2019 licensure examination for physicians, a figure that is above the 76.47% national percentage. The website of PRC reported that CSU produced 40 new medical doctors out of 47 who took the examination. The 40 new physicians are part of the 1,209 passers out of the 1,579 national takers.



# CSU LASAM FORGES TIES WITH COMMUNITY CACAO ADAPTORS

By: Janilete R. Cortez



With the presence of University President Urdujah A. Tejada, Cagayan State University and the cacao adoptors from the Municipality of Lasam tied up to strengthen linkage and partnership through a MOA signing which was held last April 23, 2019 at CSU-Lasam DARP Hall with the theme “Pannakapatalged iti Panagkaykaysa”.

The program kicked off with a mass which was also joined

in by Dr. Florentina S. Dumalo, the University Technical Adviser for RDE, who was then in the campus for the Performance Evaluation of CEOs, University Deans, and College Deans along with her fellow evaluators, Dr. Cecilia Reyes and Dr. Gilbert C. Magulod, Jr.

CEO Florante Victor M. Balatico delivered his Welcome Remarks and was followed by Prof. Bernard P. Madarang, the Campus Extension Coordinator

who presented the rationale of the activity.

This was followed by a Message of Commitment from the officers of the Cacao Adoptors and by the president of the Lasam Mango Growers Association who also graced the activity along with fourteen other members who also signified their intentions to become adoptors of cacao.

In her message, President Tejada commended the commitment and dedication of

the adoptors and the growers in working with CSU-Lasam to make a name in the cacao industry. She further emphasized her eagerness to make cacao industry a trademark for Lasam through the joint efforts of Cagayan State University and the adoptors in the community.

Signing of the Memorandum of Agreement highlighted the said program. 🇵🇭

## CSU BRACES FOR SUC LEVELLING 2019

By: Ian Roger M. Francisco

The Cagayan State University is preparing for the State Universities and Colleges (SUC) Leveling assessment that is scheduled this year.

University and campus officials met on April 3, 2019 at CSU Andrews to discuss the preparations that should be done before the actual assessment by the regional evaluation committee. The team of evaluators will include the regional director of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), the regional director of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), and the authorized representative of the Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC).

University Technical Adviser Dr. Florentina Dumlao conducted a priming session with the participants which included the Vice President for Academic Affairs Mariden V. Cauilan, Vice President for Research and Development Extension Junel B. Guzman and

Vice President for Partnership and Resource Mobilization Lina M. Garan. Dr. Dumlao said the on-going preparations are divided into phases. The first phase is the establishment of the university data along the four key result areas (KRA) of assessment: KRA 1 involves the quality and relevance of instruction, KRA 2 is for research capability and output, KRA 3 provides services to the community, and KRA 4 is on management of resources.

The other phases of preparation, according to her, are raw data form entry, validation and field inspection, and preparation of the final scorecard.

Done every after three years, the SUC Levelling, based on the Joint Circular No. 1 of CHED and DBM, “seeks to allow the categorization of the different types of institutions from Level I to Level V with the latter as the highest in terms of institutional performance indexed to the four

(4) key result areas.”

The technical adviser said the goal of the present administration, led by the University President Urdujah A. Tejada, is to attain Level IV status which would esteem CSU as a national university, with an eventual Level V status which would warrant the institution as an international university.

CSU underwent the same process in 2016, and based on the final results reviewed by the Commission en banc, the university reached the SUC Level III threshold.

Vice President Guzman, in her opening statement, said that CSU failed to get the Level IV status in the latest assessment due to some lacking documents. She, therefore, urged all concerned personnel to submit to the central administration the complete and accurate documents needed for the undertaking. 🇵🇭



## CSU OFFICIALS GRACE THE 4TH NATIONAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

CSU officials attended the 4th National Research and Development Conference which aims to promote multidisciplinary, joint and cross-collaboration in research, to coordinate and rationalize the R&D agenda, and to harmonize all R&D agenda and priorities. Here, they listen to presentations bringing to the public the products and results of R&D funded by Government Funding Agencies such as CHED, DA, DENR, and DOST, among others. The importance of

technology transfer is to ensure that R&D results truly contribute to economic development.

President Tejada hopes that the Campus Executive Officers in attendance to the conference accelerate their efforts towards amplifying the research and development exercises in their campuses and coexisting with other campuses in strengthening their niches through R&D in support to national development.

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# DENR AND DOST PROVIDE FINANCIAL GRANTS FOR NIPA STANDS FOR BIOETHANOL PROJECT

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and Department of Science and Technology (DOST), as the main benefactors of the “Planting, Restoration, Maintenance, and Preservation of Nipa Stands for Bioethanol Production and Climate Change Mitigation”, transferred their share of financial assistance to Cagayan State University for the utilization of the project.

University President Urdujah A. Tejada together with Josie Y. Bas-ong, the Director for Extension personally appeared at the office of DOST’s Regional Director, Engr. Sancho A. Maborrang to accept a financial grant last April 26, 2019.

Previously, University President Urdujah A. Tejada was accompanied by CSU Gonzaga’s Campus Executive Officer Froilan A. Pacris, Jr. and University Information Officer Ana Marie C. Cauilan to receive a cheque amounting to 8M pesos from DENR’s regional office last March 19, 2019.


The financial grants were accorded to CSU Gonzaga for the optimization of the research project entitled: “Planting, Restoration, Maintenance, and Preservation of Nipa Stands for Bioethanol Production and Climate Change Mitigation” which is a component of the Community Empowerment Thru Science, Technology, Education, Environmental Protection, and

Health (CESTEPPH) Program.

The project strives to aid in the shortage of locally produced bioethanol in the country by establishing 50 hectares of new nipa plantation and 60 hectares of nipa enhancement planting, which is identified as a good alternative for bioethanol production.

The project seeks to support the attainment of Republic Act No. 9367 or otherwise known as the Biofuels Act of 2006 that mandates gasoline stations to incorporate 10% of bioethanol to gasoline, and to double the blend to 20% by 2020. The Republic Act endeavors to minimize the effects of climate change through the reduction of greenhouse gas emission.

The 2-year project will be in close collaboration with various peoples organizations from the municipalities of Gonzaga, Buguey, Santa Ana, Santa Teresita, Aparri, Abulug, Sanchez Mira, and Pamplona.

Aside from DENR, the project is in partnership with Ilocos Norte’s Mariano Marcos State University–National Bio-Energy Research and Innovation Center (MMSU–NBERIC) which will provide the equipment for Bio-Ethanol Production, and Goodfellow Pharma Corporation who also accorded 800,000 pesos for the actualization of the project. -UIO



## COLLABORATORS CONVERGE FOR NIPA STANDS FOR BIOETHANOL PROJECT

CSU Gonzaga hosted an Inception Meeting on the project entitled, the “Establishment, Restoration, Maintenance, and Protection of Nipa Stands for Bio-ethanol Production and Climate Change Mitigation” with CSU Gonzaga CEO Froilan A. Pacris, Jr., as the Program Leader on April 11, 2019 at CSU Andrews’ Conference Hall.


The meeting was attended by the different partners and collaborators of the project. This comprised of delegates from Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU), the partner agency of

CSU-G in the implementation of the project, and Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the main benefactor of the initiative. The delegates from the participating local government units where the nipa stands are expected to be planted were likewise present during the event.

The meeting formally introduced the nature and particulars of the project to each of the concerned organization unit. CEO Froilan A. Pacris, Jr. for his part gave a brief overview of the Nipa Stands for Bio-ethanol

Production project. In line with this, Engr. Thomas Urbina of MMSU also presented the National Bio-Energy Research and Innovation Center Roadmap and Bio-ethanol Program. Meanwhile, Assistant Division Chief for Technical Services, Forester Q. Agatep of Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office – Cagayan National Greening Program in Coastal Areas discussed to the group the current Expanding National Greening Program (eNGP) initiatives of the organization and the location of the present Nipa Plantation in the

region’s Coastal Areas. Dr. Vincent Jim P. Palor, on the other hand, presented the Google Map visuals on the validated potential areas for nipa plantation on each of the partner municipalities.

To conclude the inception meeting, Prof. Romar Banadero introduced the Roles and Responsibilities designated for each of the project partners and acquainted them of the expected activities that are needed to be accomplished for the next months. -UIO





# CSU SM & GONZAGA HOST ORGANIC GARDENING SEMINAR FOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS

**C**hampioning the activity of gardening as a therapy to relieve stress, Cagayan State University's Sanchez Mira and Gonzaga campuses hosted the Organic Gardening for Health and Wellness Seminar with a theme, "Cultivate A Whole New You!"

The participants of the event included members of the workforce who seek to momentarily escape city life, Overseas Filipino Workers who are looking for a hobby, and gardening enthusiasts who are interested in advancing their proficiency in planting.

Campus Executive Officer of CSU Sanchez Mira, Dr. Narcitas B. Ouano, in her welcome remarks, forewarned that stress can be a silent killer as it can lead to chronic diseases. That is why the conduct of the event was timely since it brought awareness to the fact that a simple activity such as tending to a garden can be an excellent way to improve our mental well-being.

Inspired to be one with nature right at the heart of their homes, the activity featured CSU's notable professors in the field of Agriculture as enablers in guiding the participants on how to properly grow their home gardens. Dr. Froilan A. Pacris, Jr. established the basics as he shared a thorough overview on Organic Agriculture. This was followed

by Dr. Ricardo B. Casauauy who provided the participants with a step-by-step process on the creation of vermicast and vermicompost, which are organic fertilizers that are produced by worms known as African Night Crawlers (ANC). Meanwhile, Dr. Angelina T. Gonzales emphasized the importance of insects in improving the soil's nutrients, as she introduced examples of insects that are beneficial in gardening.

The seminar also featured a hands-on activity that was led by Dr. Susan Matipo, Dean of the College of Agriculture at CSU-SM. In her lecture, Dr. Matipo gave ideas on how to use plant holders that are made out of plastic containers as a remedy for Small Space Gardening. The participants also got the chance to put what they learned to the test as they experienced mixing the soil components and planting their own choice of herbs. This was complemented by a walk with nature activity at the Urdujah Tropicale Nature Village. This allowed the participants to immerse with the environment.

To further reiterate and put what they learned to good use, Dr. Abby E. Balagan expounded on the close connection of Gardening as a useful therapy to relieve stress. Ms. Rachel Miguel capped off the seminar at CSU SM, by leading the participants to


refocus and redirect their connection with the environment through a nature-inspired meditation.

In the second installment of the seminar, the "Cultivate A Whole New You!" found its way to CSU Gonzaga which boasts of its niche in Bamboo-based Agroforestry. This was greatly integrated in the conduct of the seminar as the activity gave focus on bamboo as an innovative way to embellish the garden. Aside from the core lectures delivered by Dr. Pacris, Dr. Casauauy, Dr. Gonzales, and Dr. Matipo; bamboo's propagating techniques and its viable product development ideas were also presented by Mr. Jayrome Butay to the participants.

The most awaited hands-on activity was held at the newly positioned, Urdujah Tejada Health and Wellness Nature Park. Each of the participants were given the tools they needed to curate and design their own bamboo planter. The unique plants that were made available varies from bamboo propagules, lowland variety of strawberry, and cacti among others. The freedom to set up their own Do-It-Yourself planters was evident that not even the rain stopped the outdoor activity.

The participants went home happy with their loot of bamboo propagules, strawberry seedlings, and

succulents in bamboo planters.

With the vision to refocus the way gardening can be seen and done, the Organic Gardening for Health and Wellness Seminar provided an avenue to learn proper ways and new techniques in growing your own home garden. It succeeded in "Cultivate A Whole New You!" among its participants as it redefined Organic Gardening as a fun and valuable activity to relieve stress while helping make the world a greener and cleaner place to live in.  -UIO



## CSU - SANCHEZ MIRA




## CSU - GONZAGA



## CSU SM OFFERS "COCOPEAT" PRODUCT TO THE MARKET

**C**SU Sanchez Mira Campus is now ready to market its coconut based non-food diversified product called the COCOPEAT. This product is a growing medium that provides an alternative to potting soil featuring high water retention, suitable aeration and antifungal benefits. Through the initiative

of the CSU Sanchez Mira College of Agriculture led by Dean Susan Matipo, the Diversified Coconut Production Project is now in full swing providing research opportunities to faculty and students as well as delivering a more sustainable livelihood for coconut farmers in the area.  -UIO





## PEACE CORPS RESPONSE VOLUNTEERS CONCLUDE STAY IN CSU

An Exit Conference was conducted to conclude the six months stay of the three Peace Corps Response Volunteers designated in Cagayan State University. The Conference was held on April 15, 2019, at CSU Andrews' Conference Hall.

The peace corps response volunteers shared to the group of Campus Executive Officers and Campus Officials their major accomplishments and outputs during the duration of their stay. The volunteers include Dr. Abby Lynn Winkler Crowley who used her work experience in education, as she collaborated with the College of Teacher Education (CTED) to help teachers implement assessment strategies and alternative to lecture

strategies. This is by spearheading the assessment and trainings of CTED faculty members in the area.

Mr. George Thomas Williams who has a 20-year experience as Marine Biologist with a specialty on plankton studies under his belt, advanced the aquaculture and marine fisheries research in the Aparri Campus through glass eel and plankton investigation.

Mr. Charles James Reilly, III, with a background in Computer Sciences and Agriculture, used his expertise in data visualization to survey and plot the lands of each campuses to create comprehensive Land Use Maps that included total land mass areas and elevation shape

among its many other features.

The three peace corps response volunteers agreed that more than the accomplishments that they were able to successfully attain, their encounter with the people made it more fulfilling as they have experienced the Filipino hospitality first hand.

Mr. Williams commented that the "friendliness, warmth, hospitality, willingness to go out of their way to make a stranger feel comfortable and feel like part of the CSU family", will be some of the traits he will surely remember when he looks back at his time in the university.

For Mr. Reilly he acknowledged that everyone he has worked with was "smart, easy-going, and flexible", which made

the job of collecting data for the project a breeze. What I'm really proud of is we work together as a team", he states as he reminisces about the friendships he was able to forge during the duration of his stay.

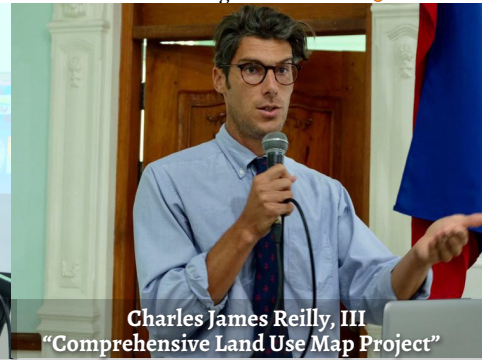
"It changed my life. I've learned so much here." Dr. Crowley attested to this as she remarked that the exchange of culture by seeing things in a new perspective has made a lot of impact on her. She further added that she was inspired by the performance that the students have exude despite their limited means. "With resources that this university has and what it was able to accomplish, it's unbelievable, it's so incredibly impressive you can't argue with that." -UIO



Abby Lynn Winkler Crowley  
"Educational Assessment Program"



George Thomas Williams  
"Species Biodiversity of Philippine Eel"



Charles James Reilly, III  
"Comprehensive Land Use Map Project"

## CSU APARRI PRODUCES 82 NCII AQUACULTURISTS

By: Arlene D. Talosa

Eighty-two (82) candidates from the Santa Ana Fishery National High School who were Grade 10 students were subjected to an Assessment for the Qualification on Aquaculture NC-II TVET program of the College of Fisheries and Marine Science at Cagayan State University - Aparri Campus.

The assessment took place on separate dates starting from February 22 to March 6, 2019. The 82 students prior to the actual assessment were oriented on the context and purpose of the said assessment. The 82 candidates, proving their prowess to the evaluated competencies, successfully hurdled the assessment after the rigorous evaluation of Competency

Assessor for Aquaculture II.

The competencies asked from the NC II candidates includes setting up the puddle wheel, taking the different water parameters in the core competency- marine aquaculture facilities, throwing the cast net-harvesting method, and getting water parameters using the Pen type dissolved Oxygen meter. TESDA representative, Ms. Josie Cabrera graced the assessment during the actual demonstration on Harvesting of Farm produced Tilapia. Having showcased quality skill on the competencies asked, full qualifications were given to the candidates and are now in the accredited and certified registry of workers. 🇵🇭



## PUBLIC PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST PROGRAM IS NOW OFFERED IN CSU

Cagayan State University's Graduate School is one among the 14 SUCs in the Philippines that was chosen as the partner institution of the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) to offer the certification course entitled, "Certified Public Procurement Specialist".

The certificate program is geared towards providing proper implementation of public procurement by government procuring entities. This is by professionalizing and establishing a sustainable training program

for developing the capacity of procurement practitioners.

The target beneficiaries of the program includes the members of the Bids and Awards Committees (BACs), the BAC Secretariats, and members of the Technical Working Groups (TWGs) for infrastructures, equipment, goods, and services that is procured by the agency for its operations.

Graduate School Dean Lilia M. Tamayao, the lead initiator of the program, described the work of the BAC as very critical. She

states that "the implementation of RA 9184 law is so strict. If you don't know how to deal with it, as a member or as a chair of the BAC, ikaw ang ma-oombudsman."

Dr. Tamayao further emphasized that the course is not limited to the procurement officials as he emphasized that "anybody can enroll in the program if they are interested because this is everybody's concern anyway." She further added that the main goal of the program is to produce professional staff who uphold excellent and quality

operations for a transparent and accountable procurement system of government agencies.

The creation of the program was in response to Republic Act 9184 or the Government Procurement Reform Act (GPRA) that aims to increase substantial transparency and accountability in public procurement. The Memorandum of Agreement between the GPPB-TSO and CSU was signed last 2017 and the beginning of classes is set to start on May 11, 2019. 🇵🇭 -UIO



## CSU OPENS TEACHERS' CERTIFICATE IN MUSIC PROGRAM




Cagayan State University opens the Teachers' Certificate in Music Program, the first professional music program in the region.

The music certification program features a 36-unit course that aims to equip teachers with an in-depth knowledge in the art of music. The goal is to certify teachers so they can become more effective and efficient in the conduct of teaching music subjects to Senior High School students.

Mr. Joel A. Daquioag Jr., University Director for Culture and the Arts, revealed that as an extension program of the College of Teacher Education (CTED), the teachers' certification program also aims to capacitate music teachers

in order to motivate senior high students to take up music related programs in college. This is in preparation for diversifying the undergraduate programs of the University as a possible opening of a Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Music Education degree is on the works.


Aside from Mr. Daquioag the enrollees of the program will also be under the hands of Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino, the Musical Director of Coro De San Jacinto and CSU Choir and Dr. Magnolia Factora, a Master of Music Major in Choral Conducting degree holder. The classes began last April 6, 2019 and requires a 50 pesos per unit fee.  -UIO

## CSU PIAT CELEBRATES WOMEN'S MONTH, LAUNCHES AAAC

Cagayan State University - Piat Campus joins in the 2019 National Women's Month Celebration with the theme, "We Make Change Work for Women". Campus Officials, faculty members, administrative staff, and students gathered to participate in the celebration of womanhood that was held at Piat's Nature Farm last March 28, 2019.

President Urdujah A. Tejada, in her inspirational message, underscored the important role of women in giving a new perspective to any organization. While Carlos R. De Dios, LGU Piat's Public Health Nurse, educated the audience on the rights of women towards

proper health care.

Furthermore, the Anti-Abuse Advocacy Committee (AAAC) was launched in the campus. This was ratified by the transfer of a communication gadget that will be used for AAAC purposes to CSU Piat's GAD personnel. The hotline for sexual or any form of abuse was also formally introduced to the CSU Piat community. Atty. Anastasha T. Lasam, the University Secretary, encouraged the victims to not be afraid to speak up and seek for help as the University is willing to lend a hand and protect those who experience any form of harassment.  -UIO



## PRESIDENT TEJADA JOINS DOST RO2 AND CHED RO2'S WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION

In honor of the National Women's Month, President Urdujah A. Tejada talked about Women Empowerment and Gender Equality in the Department of Science and Technology Ro2 and Commission on Higher Education Ro2's Women's Month Celebrations last March 25, 2019.

DOST welcomed their former Regional Director with open arms as she inspired the agency's employees to make change Work for Women by engaging both sexes in promoting Gender Equality. "We cannot move forward without recognizing the role of both sexes in eradicating the line that divides what a man and what a woman can do", said the president as he encouraged everyone to work towards creating a space where men and women enjoy equal rights

and opportunities in education, employment, and policy making.


She also led the opening of the Directors Corner that features all the past Regional Directors of DOST Region 02, and was serenaded with the song "If We Hold On Together" as the DOST personnel pay tribute to their former boss and colleague in the organization.

On the same day, President Tejada delivered a speech on the "Role of Women towards Innovation and Technology" as part of CHED's advocacy to instill their localized theme, "Think Equal, Build Smart, [and] Innovate for Change", to the Gender and Development Focal Persons from the different educational institutions in Region 2. The president shared the stage with Dr. Wilma R. Guzman,

the Executive Vice President of Medical Colleges of Northern Philippines and International School of Asia and the Pacific, who spoke about her experiences on "Women as an Entrepreneur and Innovator".

In her speech, President Tejada highlighted the benefits of diversifying the field of research by recognizing the capability of both sexes to innovate and contribute to Science and Technology. Thus, creating a more inclusive community for learning. This is further expounded by President Tejada as she said, "the more perspective we have, the more progress that we expect from the field."

The different focal persons appreciated

the talks as it boosts their understanding of the undeniable fact that women have the capacity to make a difference. This is the same sentiment for Ernesto T. Alonzo the GAD Focal Point Person from John Wesley College who was present during the event, as he expressed his appreciation to the speakers. Mr. Alonzo said the activity didn't bring down the morale of men, but instead, it served as an encouragement to support women and treat them as partners.  -UIO







# IM DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP PROVIDES AVENUE FOR MODULE CRITIQUING

In line with the University's mandate to promote excellence and quality along instruction, the Instructional Materials Development Workshop was held at CSU Andrews' Conference Hall last March 13, 2019.

The workshop is the fourth in a series of workshops aimed to capacitate faculty members to develop instructional materials, particularly modules, for the nine new General Education Curriculum (GEC) core courses and the General Chemistry course.

Each of the GEC course

module had an assigned team of faculty members from the different campuses who worked towards the crafting of the IM. To help sustain the IM writing endeavors of the faculty members, this workshop was conducted to provide additional mentoring and coaching on module content and writing style. A representative from each team presented the output to which a panel of evaluators provided their suggestions and recommendations on the IMs.

The panel included Dr. Anna Marie Hernandez, a book author and the Program

Chair of BS Psychology at St. Paul University Philippines, Dr. Abby Winkler-Crowley, the CSU Andrews' US Peace Corps Response Volunteer on Evaluation and Assessment Methods, Dr. Antonio Tamayo CSU Professor and a book author, and Dr. Mariden Ventura-Cauilan, Vice President for Academic Affairs.

This event provided a more focused effort and more detailed means of empowering faculty members to produce appropriate, relevant, and learner-friendly materials. At the end of the workshop, the module writers

left with new ideas to ponder on as they develop their designated modules. The event also paved the way to standardizing a module template, which is expected to be used across all campuses.

This IM Development Workshop was initiated by the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and implemented by the Office of the Director for Instruction, in coordination with the University Training Office. -UIO



## CSU-APARRI HOSTS UNIVERSITY CIT SEMINAR ON INSTRUCTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

By: Arlene D. Talosa



As a continuous adherence to the quality instruction thrust of the University, a two-day seminar-workshop on the development of Instructional Materials for Industrial Technology was conducted at the Cagayan State University – Aparri Campus on March 21-22, 2019. The said seminar-workshop was initiated by the University Dean of the College of Industrial Technology (CIT), Dr. Eva N. Flores.

Faculty members of the College of Industrial Technology from the CSU-Sanchez Mira campus, Carig Campus, Lasam

Campus and Aparri Campus attended the seminar-workshop with Mr. Ferdinand Bulusan, a proud alumnus of the University. A total of 23 CIT faculty members from the different participating campuses partook in the said seminar-workshop.

In her message, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Mariden V. Cauilan emphasized the significance of the seminar-workshop to the university as a stable commitment for the improvement of the quality of instruction for Cagayan State University as a whole. The VPAA further emphasized that "CSU

is on its verge of working for quality instructional material development. In fact, we are now on the fourth leg of Instructional Material development across the different disciplines in the General Education course. Seldom do we see an Instructional Material in CIT that is readily made available. Hence, you are chosen to be participants of this seminar-workshop because the University believes in your competence."

During the first day, the participants were given lectures on Instructional Material as a field of study and as an Undertaking and its Macro Context, which are to

be highly considered in Textbook writing. Meanwhile, during the 2nd day, the speaker equipped the participants with the micro-context that is worth considering in Instructional Material development. Outputs during the workshop were critiqued and will go through the process of the College, Campus, and University Instructional Material approval. When quality standard is assured after going through the process of college, campus and university experts, the IMs developed will be considered for publication under Wiseman's Books Trading Inc. -UIO

## CSU ADMINISTERS CAT FOR S.Y. 2019-2020

In search for a new breed of CSUans, the Cagayan State University administered the annual College Admission Test which took place in all of the eight campuses and the island of Batanes.

The first batch of examination was administered

last March 1, 2019 in all eight campuses. This brought about a total of 11,645 takers. Among the campuses, Andrews Campus, Carig Campus, and Aparri Campus have the highest number of takers with a total of 4,860, 1,882, and 1,493 takers respectively. Moreover, the

University, with a mission to make the services of the school accessible to all Cagayanos, also brought the CSU-CAT to Batanes as administrators flew to the island to administer the test to 63 takers.

Due to demand, a second batch of examination also

took place at the Andrews campus last May 1, 2019. The 2nd batch of examination was participated by 1,641 takers.

In summary, the Office of Admission has recorded a total of 13,349 takers for the school year 2019-2020. -UIO






# PRESIDENT TEJADA OFFICIATES NEWLY PROMOTED FACULTY MEMBERS



University President **Urdujah A. Tejada** administered the oath-taking of fifty-eight faculty members from different campuses last March 15, 2019. The educators were permanently promoted through Institutional Promotion.

The faculty positions that were filled included Professor

I, Professor II, Professor III, Associate Professor I, Associate Professor II, Associate Professor III, Associate Professor IV, Associate Professor V, Assistant Professor I, Assistant Professor III, and Assistant Professor IV.

The promotion of the faculty members were made effective last March 1, 2019.  -UIO

## VPAF AQUINO CALLS FOR STATUS UPDATE MEETING



Vice President for Administration and Finance, **Fr. Ranhilio C. Aquino** convened the presence of the University Directors, University Deans, and College Deans from the different campuses to streamline information regarding administrative and financial matters. The meeting was held last March 11, 2019 at the CSU Andrews' Conference Room.

The first item on the agenda was the presentation on the policies regarding Comprehensive Review, On-the-Job Training, Internship, and Affiliation. The VPAF reiterated the strict implementation of the

"No Collection Policy", following the passage of the Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act. No dean or employee is allowed to meddle on any money transactions.


The meeting also tackled the creation of the Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP) for the fiscal year 2020, where he discussed the guidelines in the preparation of a PPMP, with attention to quality assurance and in consideration of their campus' niches. VPAF instructed the college deans to synergize with university officials in crafting their PPMPs. This is to sync the schedule of expenditures and

plan for the development of each campus accordingly.

He also gave out sample charts for performance monitoring and coaching by showing a Sample Tracking Tool for Monitoring Targets and Assignments. This is to properly document the progress and efforts in capacitating the faculty members and staff of the University, which is also one of the requirements for CSC Prime.

In order to harmonize the correspondence between the University Deans and College Deans, VPAF introduced a flow chart that shows the process flow on the relation between the

University officials. Fr. Aquino clarified that College Deans are under the supervision of the CEOs in Managerial, Property, Assets, and Attendance/Discipline concerns. While they are under the University Deans in so far as curriculum review, faculty enrichment, and promotion of faculty members are concerned. Moreover, the college deans have direct supervision over the Instructors and Professors.

The meeting also served as an avenue for the College Deans to raise concerns and issues that they experience from their own campuses.  -UIO

## 2 COE STUDENT - RESEARCHERS SHINE AT PUP ARAW 2019

By: **Ian Roger M. Francisco**

Two student-researchers of the College of Engineering (COE) snatched awards at Polytechnic University of the Philippines' 12th Annual Research Awards (ARAW) held on March 6-8, 2019 at PUP's Bulwagang Balagtas in Sta. Mesa, Manila.


**Bill John B. Florida** and **Patrick Kenneth G. Martinez**, 5th year electrical engineering students, made waves when their research entitled: "Development and Fabrication of Fill-flush Controlled Barrel as an Alternative Pico Hydro Power Harvesting System" reaped two major awards namely "Outstanding Research of the Year" and "Innovation Research of the Year."

Their researches stood out from the rest of the

entries from other universities and colleges nationwide like Technological Institute of the Philippines, Mapua University, and De La Salle University.

**Mark Anthony S. Ibanez** and **Cyrus Kelly A. Macabangon** coached the two in the competition, which was organized in cooperation with the Department of Science and Technology.

**Florida** and **Martinez** received P15,000 cash prize for each award.

In a text message, COE Dean **Audy Quebral** congratulated the two and their advisers for the outstanding research. "You make CSU Engineering proud," the college dean said. 



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