

Heroes' contributions to TSU

Heroes are the pillars of our nation's democracy. They sacrificed for the sake of freedom. In the case of Tarlac State University, the heroes lauded for democracy are also the same ones who valued education. Freedom from ignorance is another major change they wanted to see in Tarlac.

This November, two heroes were commemorated due to their immense contributions in the Tarlac Province, particularly in the birth and development of TSU.

The university celebrated the 150th birth anniversary of Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo last November 8, 2019 by holding a National Forum on Tarlac as the Last Capital of the Aguinaldo Republic.

Another hero's birth anniversary is celebrated in Tarlac every November 27th. Benigno "Ninoy" S. Aquino, Jr. is commemorated in the province as a Tarlaqueño with various contributions in the country by virtue of Republic Act No. 8151, also known as Ninoy Aquino Day.

Historical reminders were shared during the commemoration of the birth of the two heroes – wherein both are intertwined in the start and further growth of education in the province.

The Cientifico-Literaria Universidad de Filipinas en Tarlac was the forerunner of TSU. When Aguinaldo transferred the seat of power of the Philippine Revolutionary Government from Malolos, Bulacan to Tarlac Province, the Universidad came along bringing higher education and literacy to the province. Aguinaldo brought with him the establishment of the first

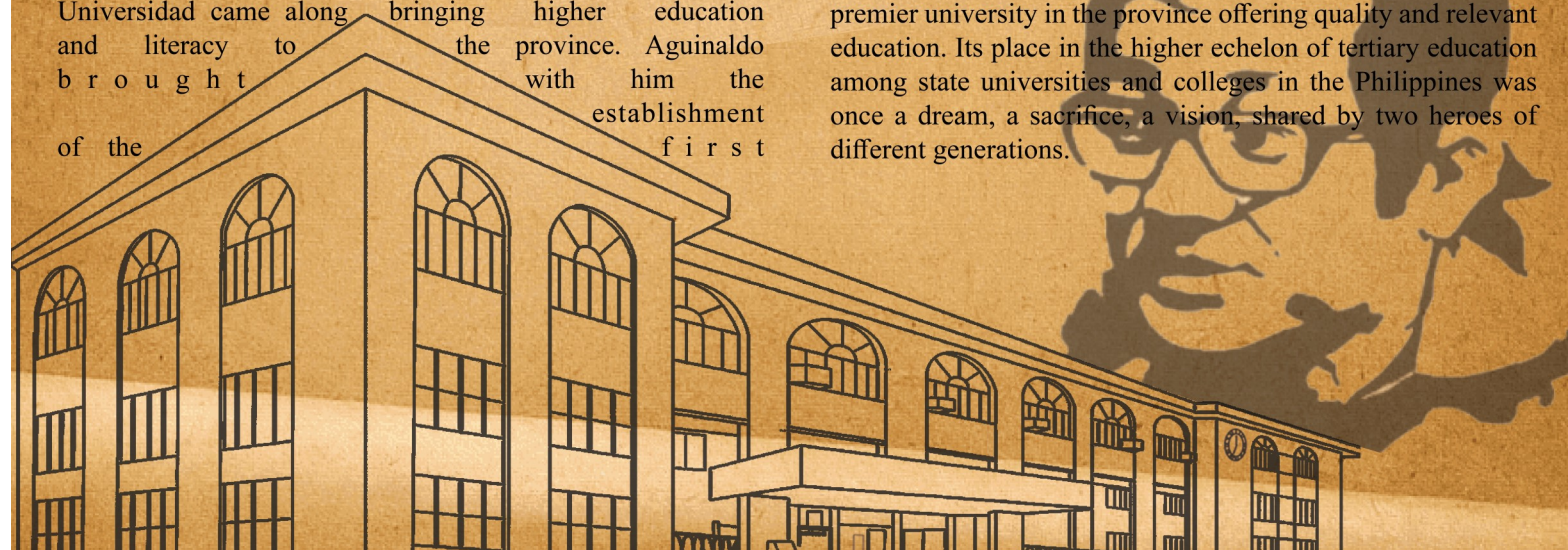
Filipino University in Tarlac.

Aguinaldo is recognized in TSU as its first honorary university president, referring to the Universidad. It is a fact, as shared by historian Michael Charleston B. Chua, that the actual site of the Universidad is not in the present TSU grounds – the original building was located beside the now San Sebastian Cathedral. However, the historical essence still lingers in TSU evidenced by the marker placed by the National Historical Commission at the old building of the College of Computer Studies where the Casa Real de Tarlac once stood.

While the Caviteño Aguinaldo brought education with him, the Tarlaqueño Aquino expressed his vision for the province as the governor when he intended the then Tarlac College of Technology to become a University of Tarlac, the first provincial state university. Dr. Lino L. Dizon posted on Facebook during the Ninoy Aquino Day that Aquino was determined to make education his main plank, which was written by Nick Joaquin.

Six years after Aquino's assassination, TCT was converted to TSU – fulfilling the vision of the late Tarlac governor and further strengthening tertiary education in the province.

113 year later, TSU is standing tall as one premier university in the province offering quality and relevant education. Its place in the higher echelon of tertiary education among state universities and colleges in the Philippines was once a dream, a sacrifice, a vision, shared by two heroes of different generations.



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Aguinaldo's 150th anniversary commemorated by TSU, NHCP



Tarlac State University lauded General Emilio Aguinaldo on his sesquicentennial anniversary for his exceptional contributions in the Tarlac Province, which was named as the last capital of the Aguinaldo Republic, through a national forum held on November 8, 2019 at the Tarlac City Hall.

The event was organized by the TSU Center for Tarlaqueño Studies, headed by Dr. Lino Dizon, and the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, through its chairman Dr. Rene R. Escalante.

The Casa Real de Tarlac, presently the College of Engineering and Technology building, was used by Aguinaldo when Tarlac became the revolutionary capital in 1899. Aguinaldo signed significant decrees in Casa Real like the prohibition of the merchant vessels flying the American flag from territories held by the Philippine Republic; the organization of the Supreme Court and inferior courts; the promulgation of the General Orders of the Army.

"It was also believed that the manuscripts of Aguinaldo were written here [Casa Real]; the booklet entitled *Reseña Veiridica de la Revolucion Filipina* was translated in English by Marciano Rivera and corrected by Mr. Duncan. The

work condemned the atrocities of American expeditionary forces in the Philippines," Michael Charleston "Xiao" Chua, a public historian and Assistant Professor at the De La Salle University, said in his lecture.

A historical marker is erected in the old Casa Real site.

The forum was attended by TSU officials and faculty members and social studies students from the College of Teacher Education.

Prior to the start of the forum, the unveiling and turnover ceremonies of the Rizal Marker was held in front of the Tarlac City Hall near the Tarlac City Plazuela.

Aguinaldo's Legacy in the Philippine Educational System

The Cientifico-Literaria Universidad de Filipinas en Tarlac was the first State University in Asia founded by the Philippine Revolutionary Government in October 18, 1898 in Malolos, Bulacan. It was then transferred to the Tarlac Province together with the whole Aguinaldo government when Malolos fell to the Americans and the schools have to close down.

The Universidad, together with the Burgos Institute (secondary school), was then re-established in Tarlac. The Tarlac

TSU grad ranks 10th in the RPM board exams; Psych Department improves board performance



In 2010, Maria Mei Fatima Simbol-Terania was supposed to graduate from college with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering at the Technological Institute of the Philippines (TIP). Instead, she graduated in 2019 with a degree in Psychology at Tarlac State University and eventually placing 10th in the October 2019 Psychometrician Licensure Examination with a score of 84.60% from the results posted by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC).

Born from a carpenter father and a housewife, Terania managed to become an outstanding student even in high school. She was the Editor-In-Chief of their school paper, a representative in journalism and science competitions, and was even awarded as Cadet of the Year. She even took up a Basic Computer Course in Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA).

With her family's insistence, she took up Civil Engineering in TIP. However due to tuition fee increase, she had to stop and find work in an architectural and engineering firm for two years as a steel detailer. Here, she met her now-husband and they had two daughters. When her daughters were old enough, her husband urged her to go back and continue her studies making her take AB Psychology as it was her favored choice since then.

Terania enrolled in TSU taking up AB Psychology in 2014 at the age of 27. However, she had to rest for a year for carrying and giving birth to her third daughter. Nevertheless, she graduated with high marks while serving in various organizations such as being the Development Communication Editor of *The Oracle*, the official student publication of the College of Arts and Social Sciences, a member of TSU-Philippine Science Consortium, and a member of COESSE-The Psychological Society.

"Isa siya dun sa mga masisipag na estudyante. Dahil naging OJT ko din siya, pagdating sa mga trabaho, talagang masinop siya - conscientious. At the same time, gano'n din siya sa pagre-review. Tapos sa mga exams niya naman, isa 'to sa mga nagha-highscore noon eh. Sa mga subjects na hawak ko, it's either nasa top five or top one siya. Despite na meron siyang mga anak, tina-try niya pa ring makapag review at makapagbasa," said Mr. Jersey Pangilinan, Chairperson of the Psychology Department, in an interview.

When asked about her exams, she mentioned that she didn't expect to be included in the top 10. She also felt a bit guilty because she's never been good at reading books. Thus, she relied on her notes and listened extensively during discussions. Therefore, she's extra thankful for the TSU Psychology Department.

"Lahat ng alam ko nanggaling dito eh [from TSU]. Kasi, hindi nga ako nakakapag-review talaga ng sarili ko. Kaya lahat ng tinuro, yun lang din yung alam ko. Ibig sabihin kaya na nating makipag-compete sa other schools when it comes to the department's curriculum," she added.

Meanwhile, TSU significantly improved with an overall passing rate of 72% and 76.79% for its first-time takers against the 63.73% national passing rate.

Since the board examinations for Psychologists and Psychometricians just started in 2014, the department struggled to surpass the national passing rate. There was a need to adjust as to what the expectations during examinations. Also, the number of previous batches are more than the number of the current graduates who are both taking the board exam which is a challenge, according to Pangilinan.

However, the department continues to improve by setting a higher retention policy from 2.50 to 2.0 as well as training their students in answering and analyzing tests starting from their second year until they reach their fourth year standing.

"Ang fino-forecast namin ngayon is iyong for batch 2022, kasi sila yung mga 2nd year ngayon. Ito yung mga mas tinuturuan na kung paano mag-take ng exams, kung paano mag-analyze. We are following the trend, kung ano ba 'yung dapat basahin kasi maraming books- 'yung mga kadalasang books na ginagamit sa board exam na iyong ginagamit namin," he added.

Currently, the Psychology Department has no third- and fourth-year students due to the implementation of K-12 program. [Jodie Andrea G. Pangilinan]

Comm Students win 2nd place in Cine Juana Digital Shorts Competition



BA Communication students from Tarlac State University won 2nd place in the #JuanParaKayJuana category of the Cine Juana Digital Shorts Competition by the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) on November 25, 2019 at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC).

The sophomore students, who call their group MAJARLIKA Productions, is led by Jenna Marie Perciano as the director, Lance Harvey Berber as the cinematographer and editor, together with their other classmates from BA COMM 2-1 namely Agatha Faye Lingat, Angelica Victoria Lagman, Lyra Sophia Rivera, Raizen Bantula, Ivan Fabian, Kyle Cedric Ocampo, and John Reynald Quintero.

Their short film entitled "Blager" depicts a young male student "vlogging" about women in different scenarios such as sexual harassment inside a jeepney, body-shaming, and domestic violence. The 3-minute short ends with the "vlogger" helping these women and sends a message to his "viewers" that men should also stand up for women.

In an interview, the group did not have any expectations on winning.

Their passion for filmmaking gave them the motivation to enter the competition.

"Sumali lang po kami para sa experience," Berber said.

They are also thankful to their family, friends, as well as their professors who showed support for their group despite the troubles they encountered during their film shoot.

The Cine Juana Digital Shorts Competition recognizes film as a powerful tool in raising awareness on violence and inspiring action to prevent it. The competition has three categories: #JuanParaKayJuana, #LabanJuana, and #LigtasSiJuana which was open to all senior high school and college students nationwide.

The awarding of the competition is part of the kick-off ceremony for PCW's 18-Day Campaign to End Violence Against Women (VAW). This campaign supports the protection of human rights of women and girls by addressing all forms of gender-based violence.

The campaign annually starts on November 25 which is the National Consciousness Day for the Elimination of VAWC by virtue of R.A. No. 10398 and the International



Day to Eliminate VAW. Initially, the campaign ends on December 10, which is the International Human Rights Day, to emphasize that VAW is a human rights violation and to ensure better protection for survivors and victims of violence. However, former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo signed Proclamation No. 1172 which extends the campaign to December 12 commemorating the historic signing of the United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and Children, to supplement the UN Convention Against Transnational Organized Crimes.

Meanwhile, the TSU Gender and Development Office led the simultaneous kick-off of the 2019 18-Day Campaign to End Violence Against Women themed "VAW-Free Community Starts with Me" during the flag raising ceremonies held at the three campuses of Tarlac State University on November 26, 2019.

The program at the Main Campus was spearheaded by Dr. Rita E. Pulmano, GAD Director, while the launching at the Lucinda and San Isidro Extension Campuses were manned by the GAD college coordinators.

₱5M CHED grant awarded to TSU CET Training Hub



Photo from CET

Tarlac State University received five million pesos from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for the upgrading of the Advanced Manufacturing Training Hub through the Memorandum of Agreement signing last November 19, 2019 held at the CHED Main Office in Quezon City.

The project named “Upgrading of TSU Advanced Technology Training Laboratory” will benefit the Engineering students as another station and one apparatus will be added to their present laboratory.

The laboratory which opened in the first semester of A.Y. 2019-2020 currently has seven equipment. The Servo Robot Assembly Station and the apparatus, Portable AC/DC Electrical

Learning System, will be added which are expected to be purchased in September 2020.

The Advanced Manufacturing Training Hub features equipment from renowned companies in the world. Six came from Amatrol, a US based company, namely, Mechatronics Learning System (Advanced Modular Production System); AC/DC Electrical Learning System; Sensor Technology; Basic Pneumatics; Basic Hydraulics; and Electro-Fluid Power while the miniature Mechanical Ice Plant is from K and H company in Taiwan.

The miniature Mechanical Ice Plant provides learning platforms for students to understand various freezing methods under Industry 4.0 practice. Students can add commands

and monitor its system through their laptop via WiFi.

Equipment/hardware from Amatrol comes with e-learning subscription modules that the students can access through their smartphones or laptops. It also has e-assessment, e-books, multimedia, and certifications.

The university will opt to procure additional equipment and apparatus that comes with e-books, certifications, and e-assessment.

TSU continues to adapt with the Industry 4.0 revolution like the strengthening of the engineering course by equipping the students with the proper knowledge, skills, and trainings they can acquire inside the university.

[Maria Adelaida Calayag]

TSU, TOG 3 collaborates for Pushing Peace and Development



With the intention of informing the public of the plans and objectives of the government to continuously improve the lives of communities, the Tactical Operation Group 3 (TOG 3) in partnership with Tarlac State University conducted a Campus Peace and Development Forum on November 7, 2019 at the TSU Gymnasium

This initiative was made in support of the Executive Order No. 70 or the “Institutionalizing the Whole-of-Nation Approach to End Local Communist Armed Conflict and Directing the Adoption of a National Peace Framework.”

This also serves as the central theme of the said forum wherein the resource speakers coming from different fields and organizations, such as National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and People’s Advocacy for Collaboration and Empowerment (PeACE), provided in-depth information on how the youth can be a part of the nation’s development toward peace.

Among the highlights of the event include the discussion on Preventing and Countering Violence Extremism and Communist-Terrorist Groups (CTG) Campus Infiltration which was elaborated

by the national president of PeACE, Ms. Agnes Lopez Reaño.

More than 200 students coming from different colleges of TSU participated and engaged in the open forum which served as an avenue for them to increase their knowledge on the scope of E.O. No. 70.

The event ended with the Signing of Wall of Commitment together with the Dean of Student Affairs and Services Prof. Fabian P. Seguirra and all the organizations and media partners of the said event.

[Daniel C. De Guzman]



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TSU remains among top five in the 3rd CAASUC III

Tarlac State University is named as 4th runner up in the 3rd Culture and the Arts Association of State Universities and Colleges – Region III (CAASUC) Festival held at Don Honorio Ventura State University in Bacolor, Pampanga on November 12 to 15, 2019.

The university garnered 73 points trailing behind Central Luzon State University with 77 points, Bataan Peninsula State University with 87 points, Nueva Ecija University of Science and Technology with 92 points,

and the Bulacan State University with 164 points.

The Mixed Choir and Vocal Duet participants gave the university 15 points while the Solo Kundiman earned 10 points which were all declared champions.

Meanwhile, only the Folk Dance group placed among the dance categories participated by TSU. The said group chipped in 12 points by winning 1st runner up.

The Short and Sweet Play-Musical,

Show Choir, and Poster Making entries of the university claimed the 3rd runner up spot giving a total of 15 points while the Radio Drama and Short and Sweet Play-Dialogue teams were named 4th runner up with three points each.

TSU still secured its place in the top five among the 13 participating Region III SUCs in the competition despite stepping down from last year's overall rank as 2nd runner up to 4th runner up.



TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY

Vision

Tarlac State University is envisioned to be a premier University in the Asia Pacific Region.

Mission

Tarlac State University commits to promote and sustain the offering of quality and relevant programs in higher and advanced education ensuring equitable access to education for people empowerment, professional development, and global competitiveness.

Towards this end, TSU shall:

- 1.) Provide high quality instruction through qualified, competent and adequately trained faculty members and support staff.
- 2.) Be a premier research institution by enhancing research undertakings in the fields of technology and sciences and strengthening collaboration with local and international institutions.
- 3.) Be a champion in community development by strengthening partnership with public and private organizations and individuals

Quality, Environment, and Health and Safety (QEHS)

Tarlac State University is committed to improve continually for:

- Global competitiveness and excellence in the delivery of education, research, extension, training and consultancy services, hotel operation and administrative support services;
- safe and healthy working conditions to prevent injury and ill health of its employees, students, guests, visitors, suppliers and contractors;
- management of environmental aspects towards the prevention of pollution;
- compliant to regulatory and statutory requirements for the utmost satisfaction of its valued customers.

1st Runner Up Ultimate Group	Ramos, Mark
	Salas, Aubrey
2. Certified Accounting Technician	
1st Runner Up	Manayang, Gianne
2nd Runner Up	Maquidang, Tyrone
10th Runner Up	Dalu, Kia Vanna
Special Award:	
Certified Cost Accountant	Manayang, Gianne
3. All Boards Cup	
1st Runner Up	Iniego, Justin Miguel
2nd Runner Up	Tabios, Ranel Tabios
3rd Runner Up	Garcellano, Marjorie
4th Runner Up	Bate, Isaac O'neal
4. General Info Quiz bee	
7th Runner Up	Hiba, Jomari
	Ramos, Mark
	Salas, Aubrey
10. Academic Combat	
Champion	Bate, Isaac O'neal
	Hiba, Jomari
	Maquidang, Tyrone
	Tabios, Ranel Clark
	Tolentino, Zaire Marie
Special Award:	
FAR Acer	Bate, Isaac O'neal
MAS Acer	Tolentino, Zaire Marie
TAX Acer	Maquidang, Tyrone
All Boards Acer	Tabios, Ranel Clark
Best Team Captain	Tabios, Ranel Clark
1. MAS Case Study	
1st Runner Up	Cunanan, Renmark
	David, Melvyn John
	Dizon, Mikaela
2nd Runner Up	Banta, Seanlyn
	Paez, Ina Rei
	Tolentino, Zaire Marie
Special Award:	
Best Dress	David, Melvyn John
	Dizon, Mikaela
Best Presenter	Tolentino, Zaire Marie
2. TAX Case Study	
2nd Runner Up	Castaneda, Marielle
	Gigantoca, Jessa
	Pagarigan, Kathleene Mae
3rd Runner Up	Calma, Patricio
	Danao, Mariannle Kristel

List of Winners - Non-Academic:

JPIAcapella Champion	House of Fashionista Champion
Mark Angelo Ramos	Reden Libnao
Renjorie Facun	Shiella Mae Yalung
Juan Miguel Arceo	Kristel Yien Corpuz
Gianne Marco Manayang	Lorna Viscarra
Mikaela Gale Catabay	Kia Vanna Dalu
Angelica Cayabyab	Jenny Damasco
Jovilyn Primero	Shienna Faye Pamintuan
Jade Lopez	
Ms Ambassador of Goodwill (Ms. JPIA) 2019	Mr. Ambassador of Goodwill 1st Runner-up
Marriane Nicole Lenon	Jan Marco Pineda
Dubmashaya 1st Runner-up	Calligraffiti 2nd Runner-up
Cyrelle Puno	Jena Clyde Garcia
John Michael Salto	John John Patrick Llaguno
Mhaeve Gigante	
John Patrick Llaguno	
Black out Poetry 1st Runner-up	Kwentong Pambata 3rd Runner-up
Gianne Marco Manayang	Cyrelle Puno
	Ariel Christopher Jaime
	John Michael Salto
	Mhaeve Gigante
	John Patrick Llaguno

Meanwhile, TSU-JPIA also competed in the 22nd National Midyear Convention last November 23-25, 2019 at the Iloilo Grand Hotel. The delegation won two trophies and six medals (one gold, three silver, and two bronze).

Out of 76 participating schools, TSU was declared as the Most Awarded Local Chapter in Academics.

The TSU-JPIA winners in the NMYC are as follows:

1.	Audit Champion - Kamille Maliwat
2.	TAX 12th placer - Tracy Bognot
3.	CFAS 2nd placer - Frankiel Jerom Lindo
4.	FAR 9th placer - Justin Miguel Iniego
5.	MAS 6th placer - Ranel Clark Tabios
6.	AFAR 6th placer - Juan Miguel Arceo
7.	Far- 15th placer - Jomari Hiba
8.	Audit 15th placer - Kristel Vitug
9.	Audit 6th placer - Daneen Gastar
10.	TAX 2nd placer & FAR 3rd placer - Marjorie Garcellano
11.	MAS 4th placer - Isaac O'neal Bate
12.	RFBT 9th placer - Melanie Gutierrez
13.	AFAR- 15th placer - Miakela Catabay
14.	RFBT 11th placer - Patricia Ramos

[Maria Adelaida D. Calayag]

TSU-JPIA hailed as overall champion in the 23rd Regional Midyear Convention

The Tarlac State University - Junior Philippine Institute of Accountants bagged the overall championship in the 23rd Regional Midyear Convention held at Chateau Royale Hotel and Spa in Nasugbu, Batangas on October 19 to 23, 2019.

TSU-JPIA won as overall champion in the Academics Category and 2nd runner up in the Non-Academic Category.

The group garnered 10 trophies and 37 medals (16 Gold, 7 silver, and 14 bronze) making the university stand out among the 14 participating schools in Central Luzon.

The Academic Category is a board-up type of competition which consists of eliminations and finals divided into easy, average, and difficult rounds. Questions served are centered on theory and problem solving.

Before the competition, the group held their trainings every Friday at the Academic Building of the TSU Lucinda Extension Campus.

Prof. Henry D. Rufino, Mr. Lawrence D. Sempio, Mr. Derick S. Figueroa, Mr. Jasper A. Yauder, Ms. Janna Rosita Paragas, Mr. Resmar F. David, Ms. Hannah Tadena, and Atty. Iris Ann Valencia served as coaches of the student-participants.

In 2018, TSU – JPIA was also the overall champion in Academics which was held in Baguio City.

The list of winners for both categories are as follows:

List of Winners - Academics:

1. Financial Accounting and Reporting

1st Runner Up	Garcellano, Marjorie
2nd Runner Up	Iniego, Justin Miguel
6th Runner Up	Hiba, Jomari

2. Management Accounting Service

1st Runner Up	Bate, Isaac O'neal
5th Runner Up	Tabios, Ranel Clark
9th Runner Up	Tolentino, Zaire Marie

3. Auditing Cup

Champion	Maliwat, Kamille
3rd Runner Up	Gastar, Daneen Michelle
6th Runner Up	Garcia, Jena Clyde

4. Advanced Financial Acctg & Reporting

Champion	Catabay, Mikaela Gale
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1st Runner Up	Arceo, Juan Miguel
6th Runner Up	Dela Cruz, Jolina
1. LAW Quizbee	
Champion	Castro, Robilyn
	Gutierrez, Melanie
	Ramos, Patricia
	Vitug, Kristel
1. Tax Tussle	
Champion	Garcellano, Marjorie
3rd Runner Up	Manayang, Gianne
6th Runner Up	Ramos, Mark
	Salas, Aubrey
Special Award:	
Champion Ultimate Group	Garcellano, Marjorie
	Manayang, Gianne



President Mallari attends CDIO Forum 2019 in Singapore; meets with TSU Alumni in SG

Tarlac State University President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari was invited, together with 19 other presidents of State Universities and Colleges (SUC) in the Philippines, to attend the Tamasek Foundation's Conceive-Design-Implement and Operate (CDIO) Forum 2019 held in partnership with Singapore Polytechnic (SP) on November 13 to 15.

Around 100 leaders, specialist educators, and staff developers from Institutions for Higher Learning in Asia attended the event.

In an interview, President Mallari shared that the CDIO is a methodological concept that focuses on technology.

“It is an approach, meaning, you lessen lecture. It’s about enabling them [students] to think for themselves – something that they can produce. Based on your discussion, they [will] be able to conceive something, develop it, and then make it run,” President Mallari said.

The CDIO™ INITIATIVE is an innovative educational framework for producing the next generation of engineers. The framework provides students with an education that stresses engineering fundamentals set in the context of Conceiving — Designing — Implementing — Operating (CDIO) real-world systems and products. The CDIO network therefore welcomes members in a diverse range of institutions ranging from research-led internationally acclaimed universities to local colleges dedicated to providing students with their initial grounding in engineering.

“As a result of that, we are inviting Andrew Tan to come here [TSU] and discuss a partnership. CDIO is a foundation, and they are financing activities that will develop CDIO concepts. He will also lecture the CDIO concept among our faculty,” Dr. Mallari added.

Andrew Tan is currently the Deputy General Manager



of SP International that engages the industry actively through collaborations in Singapore and overseas.

The Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC) launched the Platform for Innovating SUCs for Industry 4.0 (PISI) in partnership with the USAID-Science, Technology, Research and Innovation for Development (STRIDE) Program, Philippine Development Foundation (PhilDev), and Singapore Polytechnic (SP) last February 12, 2019.

Meanwhile, the TSU Alumni Organization – Singapore Chapter, headed by Engr. Jerone C. Jimenez, grabbed the opportunity for a short get together with Dr. Mallari during her short stay in the country.

The SG Chapter, composed of TSU graduates residing and working in Singapore, was formally established on March 3, 2018 at Maysprings, Singapore.

[Jodie Andrea G. Pangilinan]

Dr. Niño Corpuz wins 1st best paper in the National Gender & Development Research Congress

Tarlac State University's Dr. Niño B. Corpuz won the 1st Best Paper award during the National Gender and Development Research Congress hosted by Central Luzon State University (CLSU) on November 13 to 15, 2019 at the Research, Extension, and Training (RET) Amphitheater, Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija.

His paper entitled "Exploring the Experiences of Men as Early Childhood Educators" analyzes the experiences of ten male public kindergarten teachers from the Province of Tarlac that focuses on four areas: classroom management, teaching strategies, colleagues' relationship, and parental involvement. It is a qualitative research that recognizes the involvement of male teachers in the field of Early Childhood Education (ECE) as well as showcasing their struggles from the male stereotype on

nurturing behavior.

"I got interested kasi understudied ang mga male teachers, that's the rationale behind my study. Hindi kasi recognized ang male teachers sa early childhood, sa pre-school dahil sa stigma. Parang ikaw, kung may anak kang pre-schooler, kanino mo i-entrust sa babae or lalaking teacher? I would like to challenge the idea na merong ginagawang maganda ang mga male teachers. I highlighted their best practices, that these male teachers are also nurturers," Dr. Corpuz said in an interview.

He wishes that his research will be a challenge to educational institutions and concerned government agencies like the Department of Education to further increase male enrollees in the ECE program.

"My study would not stop the stigma, but I believe my study would contribute [to] the existing literature that there are male teachers who are doing their best in nurturing young children," he added.

His paper prevailed in the Professional Category: Gender in Education, Database, and ICT Studies among seven (7) other researchers/groups including TSU's Dr. Daisy T. Inalvez, Dr. Jessica Dela Peña, and Ms. Juvy V. Galamay's research entitled "Integrasyon ng Edukasyong Gender sa Pagtuturo ng Filipino".

Dr. Corpuz expressed his thanks to the TSU administration



especially President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari as well as the Gender and Development Office under the leadership of Dr. Rita E. Pulmano.

The National Gender and Development Research Congress is a collaboration of CLSU's Gender and Development Office, Central Luzon Agriculture, Aquatic and Resources Research and Development Consortium (CLAARRDEC) and Research Office which aims to showcase research papers focusing on gender issues, gender inclusion, gender mainstreaming strategies, and gender concerns in agriculture, social and education settings, communication, and economic sector.

It has 2 categories, student and professional, wherein the professional is subdivided into six sub-categories with 37 competing research presentations in total.

[Jodie Andrea G. Pangilinan]

CE students declared champs in DOST RICE



Photo from The Work

A group of Civil Engineering student-researchers from Tarlac State University was hailed as champion in the Student Creative Research Category of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Regional Invention Contest and Exhibits (RICE) held at Central Luzon State University, Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija last November 18 to 21.

The proponents, Pauline Grace Manzano, Arnel Jude Calma, Gemmark Sicat, Kristel Miranda, and Kaiser Aguilar, are the 2019 SALIKSIKLABAN STEM winners last May 16 and 17 at the TSU Lucinda Extension Campus. As winners, they were sent to represent the university in the DOST RICE.

Their research entitled "Development and Fabrication of a Digital Apparatus for Sieve Analysis and Soil Classifications" aims to make the testing and process of sieve analysis and soil classification easier.

"Yung thesis po namin is about sa soil, pag-aanalyze ng particles at classification ng lupa. Ayun po bali ang goal po kasi nung new apparatus na ininvent namin is mapadali na yung testing and process sa sieve analysis at soil classification. Kasi ang meron pa lang sa market is yung sieve shaker. Eh yung shaking kasi part lang po yun nung process," Manzano said in an online interview.

Their apparatus can also print the

results and findings.

"Sa apparatus po namin nandoon na lahat pati computation and interpolation. Tapos pwede rin po i-print ang results. Basically, for field of civil engineering po talaga 'yung study lalo na ang foundation ang mahalaga sa structure," Manzano further said.

During the awarding ceremony, the students were accompanied by their thesis adviser, Engr. Yoshio Otsuka. They received certificates and 20,000 pesos cash prize.

The group are being readied to represent Central Luzon in the upcoming National Invention Contest and Exhibits. [Maria Adelaida D. Calayag]

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Aguinaldo's 150th anniversary commemorated by TSU, NHCP

Convent beside the San Sebastian Roman Catholic Cathedral Convent, now the San Sebastian Cathedral, was used as the school building.

Its first and last graduation was held at the Cathedral in September 29, 1899. The diplomas of the graduates were personally signed by Aguinaldo who was the university president back then.

In Dr. Dizon's lecture, he shared that Aguinaldo was conferred with a posthumous Doctor of Public

Administration, Honoris Causa, by Tarlac State University on September 29, 2004 for being the President of Cientifico-Literaria Universidad de Filipinas and first honorary president of TSU. He was represented by his granddaughter, Justice Ameurфина Melencio Herrera.

"During the centennial of the establishment of the Cientifico-Literaria Universidad de Filipinas, the first SUC in the Philippines and Asia which President Aguinaldo established

on October 19, 1899, The Tarlac State University landed in the Official Guinness World Records for the most number of [doctoral] degrees, Honoris Causa, awarded on a single day to the eight members who represented various legislative districts in the Malolos Congress (including Aguinaldo)," TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari said in her speech which was read by Dr. Armee N. Rose, Vice President for Research and Extension Services. [Maria Adelaida D. Calayag]