



UPV opens classes in August

IMPLEMENTING for the first time, the shift in the academic calendar along with the rest of the UP constituent universities, UP Visayas conducted its Opening Exercises on August 18, 2014 at the covered court in its main campus in Miagao, Iloilo. It was also the first time that the said ceremony was done in Miagao which was usually held in the auditorium of the Iloilo City campus.

Even as she welcomed the first year students in UPV, Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Prof. Emilia Encarnacion Santos-Yap, reiterated Republic Act 9500 passed in 2008 which declared UP as the national university of the country.

"UP expects excellence in



Various scenes during the opening exercises at the Miagao campus.

everyday life," she said. She added that in UP, it is expected that students are aware of the burning issues of the day, be it on the local, national and international arena.

The Opening Exercises is an opportunity for UPV to introduce

the officials and the various offices and their functions. It also regularly features a message from an alumnus or an alumna, an upper class student and a response from an incoming first year student.

Engr. Francis Eric P. Almaquer (BS. Chem. Eng'g 2013, cum laude), gave the message on behalf of the alumni. He has also joined UP Visayas as a faculty member of the School of Technology. Daniel Al B. Delfin, a BA Psychology IV student spoke on behalf of the upper class students while Joan V. Lebaquin, a 1st year BS in Accountancy major responded on behalf of her peers.

The total number of students who enrolled in UPV during the 1st Semester of Academic Year

UPV OPENS / 5

UP Iloilo alumnus appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court

UP VISAYAS, (then called UP Iloilo in 1967 to 1976) is proud of one of its alumni, Atty. Francis H. Jardeleza, who has been appointed as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court by President Benigno Aquino III effective August 20, 2014.

Jardeleza, who hails from Jaro, Iloilo City, graduated as class valedictorian of UP High School in Iloilo in 1965. He earned his BA Political Science degree in UP Iloilo in 1969



Atty. Jardeleza and was awarded the UP Iloilo Most Outstanding Graduate. He proceeded to the UP College of Law in Diliman where he graduated as Salutatorian in 1974. He took and passed the bar exam in the same year, placing 3rd among the passers. In 1977, he acquired a Master's of Law degree from Harvard Law School.

UP ILOILO / 5

Sadaba is 2014 Metrobank Outstanding Teacher

A MANGROVE expert whose expertise benefited the coastal communities in the Philippines has been named 2014 Outstanding Teacher by the Metrobank Foundation.



Sadaba

honored by the Foundation in the last 30 years.

Sadaba, a faculty member of Division of Biological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, UP Visayas, received the notice through Ms. Joyce Lim, manager of Metrobank-Iloilo, on August 13, 2014 at the Audio Visual Room, Graduate and Continuing Education Building, UPV Iloilo City campus.

With this recent win, the UP Scientist I said he has nothing to ask for as he considered the most-coveted award as the "Olympus" in the teaching profession.

A Recognition Program will be held on September 1-8, 2014 for all outstanding teachers, soldiers, and policemen as part of the 52nd Anniversary Celebration of Metrobank.

As an outstanding teacher, Sadaba is expected to continue touching the lives of other teachers through the various initiatives of the Network of Outstanding Teachers and Educators (NOTED), the alumni association of all the winners of the Search

SADABA / 11

Two UPV alumni win TOSP award

BEING awarded as two of the Ten Outstanding Students of the Philippines for 2014 will not come as a surprise to those who know Jerry



Leonida

Perales

Ian L. Leonida and Fietz Arban D. Perales.

Both are student achievers who possess that admirable quality of being able to balance studying hard to achieving academic excellence and leading various student activities inside the campus and in community affairs.

Jerry Ian L. Leonida graduated *magna cum laude* with a BS Fisheries degree from the College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences (CFOS) on April 25, 2014. The mark of being an academic achiever started as early as his elementary school years where he graduated as the Class Valedictorian in Burias Elementary School in Mambusao, Capiz. He repeated the same feat at the UP High School in Iloilo. He was awarded by the OSCI and Department of Education Iloilo as one of the Ten Outstanding Secondary Students of Iloilo (TOSSI) and a recipient of The Outstanding Students of Iloilo Awards (TOSIA) by JCI Regatta and ABS-CBN Iloilo.

In his college years, Leonida was an active member of the college-based organization UP Fisheries Guild wherein, because of his active involvement, he eventually became its Grand Neptune. As its leader, he oversaw the various academic, social, and political activities of UPFG while maintaining his academic standing as a University and BFAR scholar. He headed many

TWO UPV/ 12

Espinosa says ‘embrace change’

“EMBRACE change.” This was what UPV Chancellor Rommel A. Espinosa told the UPV community during the 2014 UPV Opening Exercises on August 18, 2014 held at the main campus in Miagao.

Espinosa

Espinosa was quoting from the theme of this year’s program that says “Embracing the Change: Setting the Trend towards Excellence.” The theme aptly captures the implementation of the shift in the UP academic calendar for the first time this year. Instead of being in school from June

to March, UP students will find themselves in school from August to May. In addition, it was also the first time that the Opening Exercises was held in the Miagao campus as it was usually held at the Auditorium in the Iloilo City campus.

The Chancellor also underscored that the start of the new schoolyear also brings a big change particularly for the 1st year college students who are dealing with many firsts—a new school, a new environment, new classmates, and new teachers.

He explained that the UP Administration deemed the shift of the academic calendar as necessary, given the need to synchronize the State University with other universities in the ASEAN region in terms of starting the Academic Year and in other aspects as well.

“This initiative aims to fulfill UP’s mandate to serve as a regional and global university and to realize its vision of taking

a leadership role in developing a globally competitive Philippines. With intensified internationalization, UP will produce internationally oriented and competent graduates capable to lead not only in the country but also in other regions, which will become an integrated ASEAN Economic Community by 2015,” he emphasized.

Espinosa also congratulated the newest members of the UPV community - the first year students - and added that, “passing the UPCAT is tough but to staying and graduating from UP is even tougher.”

“Remember that if you have the courage to begin, you have the courage to succeed. So study hard, be inspired, have fun, cry when you need to, make a positive difference, do well, and good life will follow. Have a great year and enjoy the ride,” he told the first year students.

The Chancellor likewise commended the upper-class

students for having made it in UP Visayas this far. “I hope you will continue to resolve to work harder and bring glory to our university as what our alumni have been doing. We are proud of our two graduates, Mr. Jerry Ian Leonida and Mr. FriezArban Perales, who have been chosen to be among the top 10 outstanding students of the Philippines – the result of hard work, dedication, and resolve on their part,” citing the two awardees.

Lastly, Espinosa thanked the faculty and staff for their commitment to the University and its ideals and ended his message by declaring the Academic Year 2014-2015 open.

The Chancellor’s message was read by Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Prof. Encarnacion Emilia Santos-Yap, for the former was in UP Diliman during the event to attend the UP President’s Advisory Council meeting. (*Lyncen M. Fernandez*)

MEd grad ranks 6th in 2014 guidance counselors board exam

LYNNIE Ann G. Castillon was one of the successful examinees who ranked 6th place with a rating of 87.55% in the recent Licensure Examination for Guidance Counselors given by the Board of Guidance and Counseling in Manila on August 2014.

Castillon graduated on April 25, 2014 with a degree in Master of Education (MED) – Guidance from the Division of Professional Education, College of Arts and Sciences, UP Visayas.

UPV likewise registered a school passing percentage of 100% with five takers who successfully passed the said board exam. The four other passers are Kristoffer Ryan T. Gidaya, Darrel G. Ledesma, Carla Joy Nugpo, and Francis Ray D. Subong.

According to the Professional Regulations Commission, 288 out of 442 examinees passed the said board exam. The Oath taking for the new Registered Guidance Counselors will take place in Manila on October 6, 2014.

A Masters degree in Guidance and Counseling is one of the requirements to be a licensed Guidance Counselor. (*Lenilyn B. Gallos; with sources from the PRC website*)

Deriada, Magos pinarangalan bilang “Kampeon ng Wika 2014”

DAHIL sa kanilang naiambag sa pagpapaunlad ng literature, kultura, at wikang Filipino, dalawang professors emeriti ng Unibersidad ng Pilipinas Visayas na sina Dr. Leoncio P. Deriada at Dr. Alicia P. Magos ay ginawaran ng parangal ng Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino (KWF) bilang mga Kampeon ng Wika 2014. Ang parangal ay iginawad sa unang araw ng Pambansang Kongreso sa Salin noong Agosto 7, 2014 sa UP Visayas Auditorium, Lungsod ng Iloilo.

Sina Deriada at Magos ay dalawa sa tatlong pinarangalan na nagpamalas ng kanilang kakayahan at maigting na pagsisikap na maitampok ang wika at panitikang Hiligaynon.

Si Deriada ay kilalang “The Father of Contemporary Western Visayan Literature,” Palanca Hall of Famer at Metrobank Outstanding Teacher. Ginawaran siya ng parangal dahil sa pagiging mentor niya ng mga babasahing panitikan na nagtatampok ng mga kontemporaryong katha, tula, at dula sa mga wikang Hiligaynon, Akeanon, Kinaray-a, Ingles, at Filipino na pawang sumibol sa Kanlurang Bisayas habang ipinakilala ang mga kabataang manunulat na bihasa sa mga katutubong wika. Kahanga-hanga rin ang kanyang sipag sa paghabi ng mga katha at dula at ang kanyang mapanuring sanaysay ay



Kampeon ng Wika 2014, Magos and Deriada (4th and 5th, respectively), with the members of the Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino.

naging ekstensyon ng kanyang pamumuno sa mga palihang pampanitikan. Naging laman ng mga pangunahing magasin at journal ang kanyang pangalan at ang kanyang mga akda ay isinalin sa mga banyagang wika.

Samantala, si Magos na isang anthropologist ay kinilala dahil sa kanyang nakayayanig ngunit nakabibighaning saliksik hinggil sa mga epiko at alamat. Masusi niyang pinag-aralan ang unti-unting naglalahong Binukot at Maaram. Muli niyang tinuklas at tinala ang mga epikong gaya ng Alayaw, Balanakon, at Tikum Kadlum. Siya ay isang guro na humahamon sa mga kapwa niya Filipino na patuloy na balik-balikan ang sariling kultura, kasaysayan, at panitikan

upang maunawaan ang bayang minamahal.

Sa kanyang mensahe, binigyang diin ni Deriada ang lawak ng kanyang naging kontribusyon sa pagpapaunlad ng wikang pambansa. Sinabi din niya na dapat pahalagahan ang mga wikang katutubo.

Pinasalamatan naman ni Magos ang Maykapal na siyang pinagmulan ng kanyang lakas at dunong sa mahabang taong pagsisikap na matipon ang mga epiko ng Panay Bukidnon.

Ang isa pang nakatanggap ng nasabing parangal ay si Dr. Eliza Uy-Griño na dating dekan sa Central Philippine University at awtor ng Hiligaynon-English/English-Hiligaynon Dictionary. (*Lenilyn B. Gallos*)

BS Accountancy student joins BOP 2014

Teresa Hortillo

RALPH Anthony A. Gonzales, an incoming fourth year Bachelor of Science in Accountancy student of the College of Management, was one of the 32 undergraduate students selected through a rigid screening by the American



Gonzales

Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines, Inc. (AmCham), through its corporate social responsibility arm the American Chamber Foundation for this year's Business Orientation Program (BOP) named the "Best Meets the Best" held on May 3-11, 2014. The participants were selected based on academic leadership and extra-curricular performance.

The BOP is an eight-days intensive business familiarization program for top performing college/university students. The program is especially designed to provide future business leaders some insights on the general operations and concrete CSR programs of AmCham member companies in the hope of inspiring them into becoming committed Filipino business professionals in the future.

Gonzales is the first BOP participant from the University of the Philippines Visayas.

Transportation, housing, and food expenses of participants were covered by the corporate sponsors of the program. *(With sources from: BOP 2014)*

CCCA launches 'My UPV' photo contest

THE Chancellor's Committee for Culture and the Arts (CCCA), launched the "My UPV" photography contest for UPV information officers, faculty members, administrative staff, students, and alumni on August 1, 2014. The undertaking aimed to gather and collect images of the University to generate human capital, was the offshoot of the "My UPV" photography workshop that CCCA facilitated on May 14, 2014; hence, participants to the workshop were given preference in the photo contest.

Winners will be announced

UPVTC prof presents paper at Madrid, Spain PsyArt Conference

VISUAL artist and Humanities professor Dulce C. Anacion of UP Visayas Tacloban College (UPVTC) presented a paper on "Pigment Grief: Expressing Loss Thru Painting (The Haiyan Aftermath)" in the 31st International Conference on Psychology and the Arts held at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid in Spain on June 25-30, 2014.

The conference aimed to expand and globalize the study of psychology and the arts was co-sponsored by the PsyArt Foundation of which Anacion

has been a member since 2012. It gathered scholars from all over the world to present papers that dealt with any application of psychology—including psychoanalysis; object relations; feminist, Jungian, or Lacanian approaches; cognitive psychology; or neuroscience—to the study of literature, film and visual media, painting, sculpture, music, performance, or the other arts.

Anacion's paper was an offshoot of paintings that she did after super typhoon Yolanda (international name Haiyan)

hit Tacloban City, Leyte on November 8, 2013. Anacion said the paper was more of a report to the world that she wanted to share with her fellow PsyArters.

The paper presentation was her second participation in the PsyArt Foundation annual conferences where she has read similar treatises on psychology and the arts. The first was held in Ghent, Belgium in 2012, which earned for her the status as Art Historian and Culturati in the province of Leyte and brought honor to UPVTC.

The PsyArt Foundation's international conferences on psychology and the arts have been very successful in keeping its sustainable intellectual intercourse through the years. Every year, new minds gather and join the conference in a chosen country where a university or academic institution serves as the host.

Funding for Anacion's travel was provided by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts. *(Lenilyn B. Gallos; with sources from Prof. Dulce C. Anacion, UPVTC)*



Prof. Dulce Anacion (in purple shirt with scarf) with fellow participants in the 31st International Conference on Psychology and the Arts held at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain on June 25-30, 2014

CFOS celebrates 70th founding anniversary

TRUE to its calling of being only not the lead institution in fisheries education and research but also a steward of the aquatic and marine resources of the nation, the College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences started the celebration of its Founding Anniversary on July 16, 2014 with a coastal clean-up.

Despite the rain, 40 faculty and staff members of CFOS bravely showed up on Wednesday morning and collected 20 trash

bags along the one-kilometer Miagao beachfront area in front of the Wet and Dry Laboratories of the College. The trash that were gathered were mostly plastic bags; food related packaging items such as, wrappers for candies, chips, take-out plastic and styrofoam containers, plastic and metal bottle caps, bottles made from plastic and glass, tin cans; cigarette butts and lighters, parts of appliances; and even some fishing gears.

Two lectures, relevant to our times, followed at the Audiovisual Hall of the Pidlaon Building. These were the following: "2015 ASEAN Integration and the Fisheries Industry" by UP

alumna, Ms. Haydee Ann A. Montoya (BS Fisheries major in Inland Fisheries, 1995) who is currently connected with the Philippine Association of Crab Processors, Inc., and "Climate Change Developments in the Philippines" by Prof. Pepito R. Fernandez, Jr., faculty member of the Division of Social Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, UP Visayas.

A shared lunch and some fellowship games in the afternoon continued to forge camaraderie and friendship among the CFOS constituency, which also capped the one-day affair. *(Lyncen M. Fernandez)*



CFOS faculty and staff collected 20 bags of trash along the 1-km Miagao beachfront area of the CFOS Wet and Dry Laboratories.

ISA conducts echo seminar on Drupal



Malaga

MS. VANESSA Malaga, INFORMATION Systems Analyst (ISA) of the Information and Publications Office (IPO), UP Visayas, conducted an echo seminar on Drupal to a number of UPV employees at the Iloilo City and Miagao campuses on July 30 and August 1, 2014, respectively.

Personnel from the Data and Information Systems Program, Sentro ng Wikang Filipino, Graduate Program Office, Office of the University Registrar, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Planning and Development, IPO, and Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Extension acquired knowledge about this type of content management system (CMS), which is being used to manage the content of some websites.

Drupal is a free and an open source content management framework powering millions of websites and applications from personal blogs, corporate, and government sites including whitehouse.gov. It runs on any computing platform that supports both a web server capable of running PHP (Hypertext Preprocessor) including Apache, IIS, Lighttpd, Hiawatha, Cherokee or Nginx) and a database such as MySQL, MongoDB, MariaDB, PostgreSQL, SQLite, or Microsoft SQL Server to store content and settings.

Malaga presented to the participants how Drupal works, including its structure, theme anatomy, and installation, which she learned after attending the two-day Drupal Camp Manila 2014 in Makati City on April 26-27, 2014. (Lenilyn B. Gallos)

Chancellor Espinosa reports on the state of UPV

AS his term as the 9th Chancellor of UP Visayas draws to an end, Dr. Rommel A. Espinosa delivered his report on "The State of the University of the Philippines Visayas" before faculty, and staff members, REPs, and some students at the UPV Auditorium, Iloilo City campus on July 25, 2014. The activity was facilitated by the Search Committee for the UPV Chancellor chaired by Dr. Jane S. Geduspan.

Geduspan said the Chancellor's report marks the start of the Search Process for the next UPV Chancellor and aims to gather inputs for the future directions of the University. "Without these inputs, we will not be able to tell the nominees what we want and what will be the state of the University in the future," she said.

The report highlighted the University's accomplishments during the past three years since Espinosa took over the top post in UPV on November 1, 2011 together with his management team.

"To lead and to serve UP Visayas," he said, was the driving force by which he took the challenging role of being at the helm of the University. Based on his Vision Paper for the University that was presented during the 2011 Search for UPV Chancellor, he enumerated the significant accomplishments of his administration, which according to him was achieved through the collective effort of the entire UPV community. These were



Chancellor Espinosa reports to the UPV Community.

in the areas of academic affairs; administrative governance; research, public service and creative works; faculty, staff, and student welfare; and alumni and community partnership.

He reported the increase in number of University Scientists, active researchers, number of ISI-indexed publications, the annual budget for research, and external funding for UPV's projects in three years.

According to him, UPV's research capacity and researchers' capability particularly the policies, processes, and capability-building support have been strengthened. He also said that there are still ongoing initiatives to further strengthen these as well as harness networks, and improve the regional and global collaborations for academic and research. Further, he said that there is also an ongoing consideration for research-enabled graduate programs to anchor regional development.

On infrastructure and administration, he reported that the following were carried out: road widening and rehabilitation,

infrastructure repair and rehabilitation, repainting, renovation, and construction of buildings such as the Union Building, Student Center, and Alumni Terrace, among others. His administration is currently undertaking the completion of the Diwata Shore Complex, construction of a new dormitory, and renovation of the Intra-School Broadcasting Lab Room, accounting office, and comfort rooms.

He further cited other initiatives done by his administration on public service, faculty development, student welfare, promotion of scientific productivity in an academic setting, operational excellence, resource generation, e-UP at UPV, intellectual property rights, and a green UP to beautify the campus.

Geduspan enjoined the active participation of the UPV constituents in the Search Process for the next UPV Chancellor. She said that the deadline for the submission of the nomination papers will be on or before August 1, 2014. (Lenilyn B. Gallos)

MOA on Health Leadership and Governance Program signed

Marianito M. Ramirez, Jr.,

THE UP Visayas through the UP Visayas Foundation, Inc. (UPVFI), inked a Tripartite Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Health Regional Office VI (DOH-RO VI) and Zuellig Family Foundation (ZFF) as the Academic Partner in the implementation of the Health Leadership and Governance Program (HLGP) in Western Visayas.

The ceremonial MOA Signing

took place on 1 August 2014 at Roca Encantada Hall, Sarabia Manor Hotel, Iloilo City. UPV Chancellor Dr. Rommel A. Espinosa, was represented by Dr. Ma. Luisa Mabunay, current Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) and Dr. Philip Ian P. Padilla, of the Division of Biological Sciences, CAS, as Program Manager. Dr. Marlyn W. Convocar, Director IV and Dr. Mary Pauline A.C. Gestosani, M.D., HLGP Program Coordinator, signed the MOA for DOH-RO VI.

Mr. Ramon Emmanuel Derige, Vice President of ZFF, inked the MOA for ZFF.

HLGP is a public-private partnership that aims to strengthen health leadership and governance and contribute to the achievement of the country's Millennium Development Goals by training local chief executives and local health officers in bridging leadership competencies, improving local health systems to make them more responsive to the needs for Maternal and Child Health, Family Planning and TB prevention and control, and by increasing community participation and health-seeking behavior in target areas through improved local health systems and health leadership.

The HLGP strategy is based on ZFFs "Health Change Model," a systematic transformation of local health systems that begin with



Dr. Ma. Luisa Mabunay and Dr. Philip Ian Padilla (seated 1st and 4th from left, respectively) represented UPV at the Tripartite MOA with DOH-RO VI and ZFF.

GDP Director undergoes GAD expert certification process

Suzette Peñaredondo

DR. Mary Barby Badayos-Jover, Director of the Gender and Development Program of UP Visayas, attended the Batch 3 Leveling and Learning Session on GAD Technical Assistance for Potential GAD Resource Pool Members held on July 30 to August 1, 2014 at the Ciudad Christina Resort in San Mateo, Rizal.

The activity was initiated by the Philippine Commission on Women (PCW) under the National Gender and Development Resource Program (NGRP), which intends to screen potential national gender resource pool experts. The program is PCW's response to the increasing demand for GAD technical assistance from government agencies and LGUs. It therefore aims to develop basic standards on modules, including updating of tools, modules, and other learning materials on GAD mainstreaming, as well as the conduct of GAD researches and innovations, among others.

Badayos-Jover, who is also a faculty member from the Division of Social Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, is among the few participants from all the over the Philippines who has been considered by PCW to undergo the selection and evaluation process to be a certified GAD expert.

Free Poetry Writing Workshop

THE Division of Humanities of UP Visayas, under its Literary and Literacy Services Extension Program, a free Poetry Writing Workshop on 19 July 2014. The Resource person is Palanca Hall of Famer and Professor Emeritus of UP Visayas, Dr. Leoncio P. Deriada.

The activity was the second of a series of monthly creative writing workshops given for free to Ilonggo writers of poetry and fiction in Hiligaynon, Kiniray-a, Filipino, or English. By holding this regular workshop for local writers, UPV aims to contribute to the development of contemporary Hiligaynon literature and language.

The Poetry Writing Workshop was from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM at the Language Program Office, UPV Iloilo City campus.

UPV presents Dr. Anton Juan's 'Taong Grasa'



Prof. Diaz as Taong Grasa

TAONG GRASA, the Palanca award-winning play of world-renowned playwright and director Dr. Anton Juan was brought to life at the UP Visayas Auditorium, Iloilo City

campus, on August 1 and 2, 2014.

Prof. Alfredo B. Diaz, Resident Director of the UPV ACT (Alumni Community Theater), former student of Dr. Juan in UP Diliman, and a theater and literature teacher at UPV, played the lead role of *Taong Grasa*.

Translated by Diaz in Hiligaynon, the one-act play accounts the life of "*Taong Grasa*" as an observer and critic of the social and economic problems of society. He speaks to his intestines and his intestines are his co-actor and enemy. Speaking and documenting as he scavenges in the streets and wanders around, *Taong Grasa* became the witness of what is happening in the city of which he is part. *Taong Grasa* is a generic Filipino term used for homeless vagrants.

A stage presenting the world

of *taong grasa* was put up at the center of the auditorium. The platform was arbitrarily painted with black and gray and covered with steel armchairs randomly arranged underneath with scattered used rubber tires and some lighting for the effects. The seats for the audience were placed on both sides of the stage as a way of placing audiences in the vagrant's world.

The two-day event received overwhelming support from students, teachers, and theater enthusiasts in Iloilo City.

Directed by Juan, *Taong Grasa* was presented by UPV through the Chancellor's Committee for Culture and the Arts in collaboration with the UPV Validus Amicitia Brotherhood. (**Lenilyn B. Gallos; with sources from <https://www.facebook.com/alfredow.di?fref=ufi>**)

CCCA organizes Anton Juan's lecture-forum on theatre

THE Chancellor's Committee for Culture and the Arts (CCCA) of UP Visayas organized a lecture-forum on theatre at the UPV Cinematheque, Iloilo City campus, on July 30, 2014. World-renowned playwright and director, Dr. Anton Juan, graced the activity as lecturer to share his knowledge and wisdom on theatre.

Juan talked about metalanguage, its meaning, and how it is being used as expressions in theatre, film, and other arts. He also shared the processes of metalanguage, which according to him, he learned as a student of his greatest mentor, Prof. Nieves Espistola.

Juan completed his Ph.D. in Semiotics at the Kapodistrian and Panhellenic University of Athens. He is a tenured full professor and theater director at the University of



Anton Juan (right) talks about metalanguage.

Notre Dame du Lao in the United States of America. He is known internationally for his work that often challenges convention. In recognition of his contributions to the arts, he has been knighted twice by the French government, receiving the Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et Lettres in 1992 and the Chevalier de l'Ordre National de Merit in 2002. He also received numerous awards and recognitions from various prestigious institutions in the country. He is the Founding Artistic Director of Step of Angels Theatre in Athens, Greece and was Director General of the University

of the Philippines' Dulaang UP. His works have received critical reviews all around the world.

His works included *The Winged Fragments of Our Children*, *Tuko! Tuko!*, and *The Princess of Lizard Moon*, among others. His recent directions are *Salome* in Kabuki form and *Christopher Marlowe's Dr. Faustus*.

Students and teachers of literature and theatre from private and state colleges/universities in Iloilo City attended the lecture-forum. (**Lenilyn B. Gallos; with sources from CCCA**)

UP Iloilo...from page 1

Jardeleza went to private practice that included being with the ACCRA Law Offices. He also served as the Senior Vice-President and General Legal Counsel of San Miguel Corporation until 2010.

Jardeleza's government service started in 2010 when he was appointed as Deputy Ombudsman for Luzon by President Aquino. He became the Solicitor General of the Philippines in February 2012, a post he held until his appointment as Associate Justice.

Not forgetting his ties with UP, Jardeleza has been teaching Constitutional Law at the UP College of Law since 1993. (**Lyncen M. Fernandez, Photo Source: wn.com**)

UPV opens.....from page 1

2014-2015 is as follows:

College	1st Year	Upper Years	Total
College of Arts and Sciences	429	1,134	1,563
College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences	95	202	297
College of Management	208	689	897
School of Technology	26	240	316
UPV Tacloban College	300	910	1,210
Grand Total	1,108	3,175	4,283

In this newly-opened academic year, classes for the 1st semester will end on December 5, 2014. Classes will resume on January 26, 2015 for the second semester which will end on May 22, 2015. (**Lyncen M. Fernandez**)

Empowered frontline service providers, a must in all gov't offices

"HOW the frontline service providers deal with the public creates the kind of impression it will have on the University – be it good or bad. At times we do not seem to know how to deal with the public and we would appear insensitive to their needs. Thus, this seminar is a highly welcomed opportunity for the employees of UPV to become better frontline service providers."

Prof. Nestor G. Yunque, Vice-Chancellor for Administration, gave these thoughts in his Welcome Message during the "Frontline Service Provider Empowerment Seminar" organized by the Human Resource Development Office on August 6-7, 2014, UP Visayas Miagao campus.

The seminar was in line with compliance with the RA 9485 or the Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007 which is "An act to improve efficiency in the delivery of government service to the public by reducing bureaucratic red



Capadosa (inset right) of CSC R-6 discusses the Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007 to UPV frontline service providers (left).

tape, preventing graft and corruption, and providing penalties therefore."

One salient point of ARTA is that all government offices should draw up a Citizen's Charter which identifies the following: the frontline services offered, the step-by-step procedures, the employee responsible for each step, the amount of fees to be paid, the documents to be prepared, the procedure for filing complaints, and a feedback mechanism. In addition, the Charter must be posted on information boards where the

public can easily see them.

There should also be a public assistance and complaints desk and must be manned even during break time. All employees transacting with the public should wear an ID. The number of signatures of officials and employees for a transaction should not be more than five signatures.

A review of the Citizen's Charter of the offices that provide frontline services such as the Office of the University Registrar, the Office

EMPOWERED / 10

Search is on for new Chancellor

WITH the creation of the Search Committee for the UPV Chancellor through UP President Alfredo E. Pascual's Administrative Order



Espinosa

No. PAEP 14-33 dated July 14, 2014, the search for the next Chancellor of UP Visayas started. Two qualified candidates were nominated. Current Chancellor Dr. Rommel A. Espinosa, whose term will end on October 31, 2014, accepted the nomination to run for a second term. The other nominee was Dr. Zosimo E. Lee, former Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, of UP Diliman.

The two candidates appeared before the UPV community on August 19 for the Iloilo City campus, August 20 for the Miagao campus, and August 22 for the Tacloban campus. On these dates, they presented their Vision Papers containing their plans and programs for the University, answered questions, and discussed issues raised by the constituency during the Open Forum.

Espinosa vowed to continue the work that he had started. In academic matters, the GE programs will continue to be re-examined and re-imagined. The computing needs of UPV to conform with the UP System's program called eUP will continue to be enhanced. In terms of resource generation, he said that UPV will continue to explore possibilities as to how its idle land can be used to generate income. The alumni will continue to be tapped as active partners in UPV's growth and development. Vacated items of staff and REPS will be pursued so that these can be filled up and more training will be provided for them. Support for the Healthy Lifestyle and Wellness Program of the employees will also be continued.

Espinosa also acknowledged the role that the unions play as partners of the administration on good governance. More importantly, he said UPV will pursue more research and extension activities and create an environment that will encourage arts, culture, and creative works to flourish.

Meanwhile, Dr. Lee said that the Philippine educational system is undergoing a radical process with the introduction of the K-12 program. He pointed out that in the past, GE courses that were taught in college

were meant to meet the deficiencies of the high school curriculum. But with the K-12 program, GE subjects such as Science, Math, English, Technology and the likes will now be incorporated in the high school curriculum. Thus, he emphasized that the faculty need to engage more in research activities and must also do mentoring.

In addition, he also noted that the research areas that the University should focus on should be based on the archipelagic nature of the country's state. He also underscored the importance of service learning, pointing out that the knowledge that we produce needs to have value and impact in the community.

The 2014 Search Committee for the UPV Chancellor represents all sectors of the University and is chaired by Dr. Jane S. Geduspan (senior faculty) with the following members: Prof. Mary Ann Gumban and Prof. Karlo Primavera (junior faculty), Elizabeth Salgado (REPS), Sydna Lozada (staff), Raoul Danniel Manuel (student), and Prof. Virginia Ocampo (UP President's representative).

On September 29, 2014, the UP Board of Regents will vote on who will be UPV's next Chancellor. (Lyncen M. Fernandez)

UPVTC OCEP conducts AAP

Pierce S. Docena

FOR the second time this year, the UPV Tacloban College Office of Continuing Education and Pahinungod (UPVTC-OCEP) successfully conducted its Affirmative Action Program (AAP) on July 12, 19, and 26, 2014 at the Arts and Sciences Building of UPVTC.

The AAP is OCEP's program on academic tutorials, which aims to increase high school students' access to state universities, especially UP, and to prepare them for college life. The program is also designed to upgrade the basic competencies of senior high school students in basic academic courses.

True to its mission to reach out to underprivileged areas in the region, the AAP this July had participants from around 20 municipalities of Leyte, Samar, Eastern Samar, and Biliran. More than 230 senior high school students attended tutorials in Mathematics, Science, and English for three consecutive Saturdays, which were facilitated by volunteer faculty and staff members and alumni of the College.

The volunteer team consisted of 13 faculty members from the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics and the Division of Humanities, three administrative staff members, three alumni, and members of the UP Halcyon.

The first AAP this year was held at Taft National High School in Taft, Eastern Samar, where over 15 volunteers conducted five days of tutorials for incoming senior students of different high schools in neighboring municipalities.



Students register for the 3-day AAP.

BBCMC celebrates Nutrition Month and Buwan ng Wika

Suzette Peñaredondo

THE Balay Balay Child Minding Center (BBCMC) of the Gender and Development Program (GDP) of UP Visayas joined the nation in celebrating the Nutrition Month and Buwan ng Wika on August 18, 2014 at the Iloilo City campus. The activity, which had the theme: Kalamidad Paghandaan Gutom at Malnutrisyon Agapan, aimed

to achieve one of BBCMC goals of developing the socialization skills of the 3-5-year-old children of UPV employees and working parents of the neighboring community. Prof. Moniq Muyargas, GDP Officer-in-Charge, emphasized in her message that the parents should be the primary role models of their children in eating healthy and nutritious foods.

For their first public performance, the children cheerfully presented

their newly acquired skills through a poem and a dance number. The parents also displayed their talents by leading the audience to a dancercise. After the program, a Nutrition Forum, in partnership with the Community Outreach Program of the College of Arts and Sciences, was also held. Resource Persons, Ms Remedios Huesca and Mr. Marianito Ramirez, discussed the latest updates on nutrition and essential facts

on children's health and well-being. Several members of the Breastfeeding Ilonggas also joined the Forum and presented to the group the economic, social, and psychological benefits of breastfeeding. All throughout the year, BBCMC children will be exposed to programs and activities that will provide them the opportunity to develop continuously their psychosocial skills.

UP alumni reunited, 2014 outstanding Jubilarians honored

GC Castro and Lenilyn B. Gallos

THE UP Visayas (UPV) Iloilo City Campus became the venue for the 3-day festivities of the recent UP Alumni and Faculty Homecoming held on July 17-19, 2014. UP alumni were reunited with their classmates and former teachers to reminisce their UP days.

The UP Alumni Association, Inc. -Iloilo Chapter (UPAAI) and

UPV Office of Alumni Relations collaborated with different organizations and companies to make the homecoming a memorable experience to the alumni as they come home to their beloved UPV. Various activities like a food fair and bazaar were lined up, giving a festive mood to the occasion. Movie screenings, an art exhibit, and airsoft games added to the



Dr. Sirilan

Mr. Lopez

Dr. Subade

excitement. The last day started off with Run UP! 4 followed by the UPAA election, mass, and the yearly brunch, the most popular among the crowd. Bingo socials and a videoke challenge were new additions. The first half of the day ended with the Golden Lunch.

The Homecoming Dinner and Awarding of Outstanding Jubilarians highlighted the activity that followed in the evening at the Iloilo Grand Hotel. This year's jubilarians and outstanding professionals were honored. The 2014 Outstanding Professional Awardees included Dr. Rodelio Subade for his achievement

in the field of social science and human ecology, Mr. Franklin Lopez for business administration and entrepreneurship, and Dr. Lorelei Sirilan for the health and medical professions.

Dr. Sirilan (UP High School, 1985; BS Biology 1989) is a researcher, lecturer on pulmonary medicine sharing her expertise with fellow doctors, students, researchers, and private individuals here and abroad. She is one of the founding members of Citizen of Iloilo Coalition against Tuberculosis (CICAT) that help tuberculosis patients by giving medical intervention and orientation. She is also active in the anti-smoking campaign programs.

Mr. Lopez (UP High School 1964; BSBA 1968) served as director, treasurer, chairman, president, and regional director of various organizations that specialize in management, accounting, real estate holdings, network trading, and banking. He is a successful businessman active in civic, sports, and religious organizations.

Dr. Subade (BA Econ 1984; PhD Environmental Science, 2004) has developed drop-off protocol approach for reducing bias in stated preference research that has been used in several valuation studies. He had published a number of peer-reviewed journal articles in various national and international journals. He has also served as resource person, panelist, and scientific mentor in fisheries and resource management, participatory governance, economic valuation,

Outgoing members of the UPAA Board of Directors were also given recognition. Incoming members of the Board were likewise introduced. Among the newly elected members are Atty. Gaudioso Geduspan, Atty. Joseph Anthony Lutero, Atty. Jose Mari Benjamin Francisco Tirol, Mr. Jose Maria Bayoneta, and Mr. Eddie Gonzaga.

Special performances from Batch '74 and HS Batch '89 capped the event.

The 2014 Jubilarians belong to the Class of 2004 (Tin), 1999 (Crystal), 1994 (China), 1989 (Silver), 1984 (Pearl), 1979 (Coral), 1974 (Ruby), 1967 (Sapphire), 1964 (Gold), 1959 (Emerald), 1954 (Diamond), and 1949 (Blue Sapphire).



Photo courtesy of Office of Alumni Relations

Various scenes during the Alumni Homecoming event.

First UPIC grand reunion held

GC Castro

THE graduates of the University of the Philippines Iloilo College (UPIC), UP College Iloilo (UPCI) and UP Iloilo (UPI) met in the first UPIC Grand Alumni Homecoming held at the UP Visayas Iloilo City and Miagao campuses and Hotel del Rio, Iloilo City on August 15 to 16, 2014.

Alumni from classes 1947 to 1979 came from different parts of the world to gather for a two-day celebration. Former faculty and staff members from the early years of UP in Iloilo also joined them. The first day of the celebration began with a tour of the Iloilo City campus. Some of the alumni gathered in front of the Oblation in UPV Iloilo City and took a quick trip down memory lane as they passed by the Auditorium, Little Theater, and Main Building. Some of the alumni gathered in front of the Alumni Building.

The group proceeded to the Miagao campus where they met with the Chancellor, Dr. Rommel Espinosa. They also toured the Miagao campus and had lunch at the beach house of Gen. Gerardo Flores. From Miagao, they went to visit Governor Arthur Defensor, who is also a UPIC alumnus, at the Iloilo Provincial Capitol.

Dinner programs were also held for two nights at Hotel del Rio. The Jubilarian Night was held on the first night, which was followed by the Gala Night the second night. Awards and recognition were given to the outstanding alumni during the

dinner programs. The nights were capped by dancing.

UPIC alumni from the USA headed by Dr. Josefino Ceballos, and Iloilo City-based alumni headed by Atty. Pearl Garganera-Gauzon, Ms. Ellen Roldan-Divinagracia, Atty. Raul Muyco, and Ms. Leticia Uybito-Chua, organized the event. Much support also came from the joint efforts of the other UPIC alumni.

The University of the Philippines Iloilo College (UPIC) opened its door in July 1947, one year and seven months after the Municipal Board of Iloilo authorized a resolution for the opening of a branch of UP in Iloilo City at the site of what was then the Iloilo City Hall on December 18, 1945.

UPIC started with a Lower Division for third and fourth year high school students and an Upper

Division for first and second year college levels. In 1954, the high school offering was completed with the addition of first and second years of high school. It was decided in 1960 that complete degree programs (BA in Humanities or Social Sciences and BS in Biological Sciences or Business Administration) be offered so that students did not need to go to UP Diliman to obtain a degree.

In 1967, UPIC became UP in Iloilo (UPI), which later in 1976 was officially known as UP College Iloilo. The UP Board of Regents in its 914th meeting on May 31, 1979 approved the establishment of UP in the Visayas as an autonomous member of the UP System with its main campus in Miagao. *(With sources from the Center for West Visayan Studies, College of Arts and Sciences)*



Photo courtesy of Office of Alumni Relations

UPIC Alumni join the grand reunion activities.

CM to hold MMBM classes in Roxas City, Capiz

INTERESTED graduate students from the provinces of Capiz, Antique, Aklan, Iloilo, Romblon, Masbate, and other nearby provinces may no longer go to the UP Visayas Iloilo City campus to pursue a post-graduate course in management.

Beginning September 6, 2014, UP Visayas, through the College of Management, will hold Master of Management in Business Management (MMBM) classes in Pueblo de Panay Township, Roxas City, Capiz.

This initiative was in

collaboration with Pueblo de Panay, Inc., a duly organized and existing corporation in Roxas City, Capiz and the UP Alumni Association (UPAA) –Capiz Chapter. Chancellor Rommel A. Espinosa signed a Memorandum of Agreement with Jose Nery D. Ong of Pueblo de Panay, Inc., and Capiz Governor Victor A. Tanco, Sr., representing the UPAA-Capiz Chapter, on August 13, 2014 in Roxas City for the delivery and administration of the MM program that will enhance the economic and professional

development of the City.

A maximum of 30 students will be accommodated for this semester. Faculty members from the College of Management will conduct classes on Saturdays at El Circulo Convention Center of Pueblo de Panay, a residential and commercial township.

UPV will offer additional prospective graduate programs in the future should the need arise depending on viability and demand. Pueblo de Panay will provide and construct a building at the township's educational zone

for UPV's medium- or long-term extension and off-site programs. The Organization will also pay for the honorarium, transportation, and lodging of the off-campus faculty.

The University will facilitate the application and enrollment of qualified students. Prospective students are required to take the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) and comply with the requirements for admission set by the University.

UPAA-Capiz Chapter, on the other hand, will assist in the campaign for application of students and facilitate the promotion of and fund-raising activities in support of this undertaking.

The witnesses to the Agreement were UPV Vice Chancellor for Planning and Development Evelyn T. Belleza, Pueblo de Panay Asst. Vice President for Finance Mary Daphnie Ong, and UPAA Capiz Chapter Vice President Pros. Rudolfo I. Beluso. **(Lenilyn B. Gallos; with sources from the College of Management)**

IFPT conducts fishery product development training for Kenyans

THE Institute of Fish Processing Technology (IFPT) of the College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences (CFOS), in cooperation with the Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRI), conducted a training program on "Fishery Product Development" for four Kenyan nationals from 15 June to 26 July 2014 on the Miagao campus of UPV.

KMFRI is a state corporation under the Kenyan government mandated to "undertake research in marine and freshwater fisheries, aquaculture, environmental and ecological studies in order to provide scientific data and information for sustainable exploitation, management, and conservation of Kenya's fisheries and other aquatic resources and contribute to national strategies of food security, poverty alleviation, clean environment and creation of employment."

The participants from KMFRI are Maurice Odhiambo Omega, Maurice Okello Obiero, and Raymund Kadenge Ruwa. The fourth participant, Mr. Benrick Owuor Ogutu, represented the Kenya State Department of Fisheries.

IFPT faculty members and

REPS served as Resource Persons for these succeeding topics, fisheries product development system, food safety and quality assurance, and packaging and labeling requirements.

Selected faculty members of the College of Management also gave lectures on marketing strategies for fishery products and production cost analysis. Practical activities for the trainees to make traditional Filipino fishery products were facilitated by the IFPT researchers and staff members. The Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) in Region 7 facilitated the production of Chinese-inspired value-added products like siopao, kikiam, and siomai. The participants also created Kenyan-inspired foods like "samosa," burgers, sausages, and fish-fingers. These products were presented for consumer testing to UPV constituents.

Study tours in landing sites, local fish processors, government agencies, and fish processing plants gave the trainees a glimpse of the Philippine fisheries industry. They visited various fisheries

facilities in Roxas City, Cebu, Bohol, Cavite, and Bulacan. These include fish ports and fish drying and processing plants for dried seaweed, smoked fish, and frozen fishery products. They also went to government institutions such as DOST and BFAR, as well as the Food and Nutrition Research Institute of DOST, and the College of Home Economics at the University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City.

During the Closing Ceremony, IFPT Director Prof. Leticia J. Ami conveyed her gratitude to the collaborating institutions and IFPT personnel in helping to bring about the success of the training program. The participants as well gave their reflections on how the knowledge, skills, and experiences acquired will help in achieving their country's development agenda. Obiero acknowledged the expertise of IFPT, which "Kenyan would like to emulate in both post harvest intervention strategies and product diversification." UPV Chancellor Dr. Rommel A. Espinosa, expressed gratitude for the trust given to IFPT and his desire for more collaboration between UPV and KMFRI.

Forum on procurement conducted

"PROCUREMENT is a collaborative effort. It needs the cooperation of everybody for a faster procurement," says Supply and Property Services Office OIC-Chief, Prof. Raul Olaguer during a forum on the procurement process held on July 31, 2014 at the Miagao Interactive Learning Center, UPV Miagao campus.

The forum drew participations from the heads of the various colleges, institutes, departments, divisions and units and featured Prof. Olaguer and Accounting Chief Jocelyn Genesila as speakers who both explained and emphasized the importance of adhering to Republic Act 9184, known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act," which is "an act providing for the modernization, standardization and regulation of the procurement activities of the government..."

Olaguer also discussed the requirements needed for procurement and the process of procurement that starts when an end user files a request up to the time of the release of goods or services back to the end user.

The forum was attended by Chancellor Rommel A. Espinosa and Vice-Chancellor for Administration Prof. Nestor Yunque. It afforded the various offices the opportunity to clarify matters on procurement.

CMS student participates in UNESCO training

MS. Katrina Coleen A. Bayog, a fourth year Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Studies student of UP Visayas, was selected as one of six delegates from the Philippines to participate in two events organized by the United Nations Organization for Education, Science and Culture (UNESCO). These were the Asia-Pacific Youth Training on Media and Civic Participation and the Global Media Forum, which were held on August 21-25, 2014 in Mercure Bali Nusa Dua Hotel and

on August 26-28, 2014 in Bali Nusa Dua Convention Center, respectively.

During the Asia-Pacific Youth Training on Media and Civic Participation, the delegates shared their experiences for the promotion of the culture of peace. They also developed practical action plans and explored opportunities that the new media provides to enhance youth participation and civic engagement. The participants also attended and were actively

involved in the Global Media Forum, which has the theme: "The Role of Media in Realizing the Future We Want for All." In the conference, academics, practitioners, government and civil society analyzed the role of media in the implementation of the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

There were 70 delegates from 21 countries in the Asia-Pacific Region who participated in these UNESCO events that were both held in Bali, Indonesia.

Orientation for new UPV students held

Teresa Hortillo

THE University of the Philippines Visayas through the Office of Student Affairs (OSA) annually conducts the Freshmen Orientation Program (FOP) for its new students.

For Academic Year 2014-2015, the program was accomplished in three separate sessions. One session was held for new students of the College of Management (CM) in the morning of August 14, 2014 at the UPV Auditorium, Iloilo City Campus. Out of the 208 first year CM students, 195 attended the FOP. At the Miagao Campus, the FOP was held in two separate sessions on August 15, 2014. The morning session, was attended by 296 new students while the afternoon session was attended by 290 new students. Six hundred new students enrolled in UPV Miagao - 429 in the College of Arts and Sciences, 95 in the College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, and 76 in the School of Technology.

Student volunteers assisted the OSA staff members in the conduct of FOP. The City campus Student Facilitators are officers of the CM Student Council while the Miagao student volunteers are UPV Peer Facilitators and UPV Delegates of Untainted Commitment to Effectuate Service (UPV DUCES) members. The UPV Peer Facilitators operate under the supervision of the Guidance and Counseling Services Unit (GCSU). The UPV DUCES is the student arm of the Student Organizations and Activities Unit (SOAU) of OSA.

The FOP facilitated the initial placement of first year college students in the University. It tackled the adjustment issues and concerns of students as well as provided them relevant information about the University in preparation for the challenges of college life that they have to face.

Discussed during the orientation were the following: 1) important University and Academic Information by Prof. Jose A. Go, University Registrar; 2) Socialized Tuition System (ST) by Ms. Marites E. Geonanga, Scholarship Officer; 3) Guidance and Counseling Services by Mrs.

ORIENTATION / 11

OVPAA presents UP System initiatives for faculty, REPS



(L-R) Concepcion and Azanza

THE UP System Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs (OVPAA) presented various programs beneficial to the faculty members and Research Extension Professional Staff (REPS) of UP Visayas at the Audio Visual Room, Graduate and Continuing Education Building, UPV Iloilo City campus, on July 28, 2014.

Vice President for Academic Affairs (VPAA) Dr. Gisela P. Concepcion discussed the details of the following

UP System initiatives:

1. UP System Faculty and REPS Development Programs that include the PhD and MS Fellowship Program; Foreign-trained PhD Faculty Recruitment (Balik-Phd) Program; Visiting Professor Program; Artist, Scientist, Academic –In-Residence Program; Short-Term Foreign Postdoctoral Stint or Training Program; Externships and Workshops with Industry; and the Honor Graduate Faculty Fast Track Program;
2. UP System Research Grants such as the Emerging Inter-Disciplinary Research (EIDR), Enhanced Creative Work and Research Grant (ECWRG), Emerging Science and Technology Research Grant (ESTRG), and the Balik PhD Start-up Grant; and
3. UP System Awards that include

the Science Productivity System (SPS), Arts Productivity System (APS), International Publication Award (IPA) for journal articles and books/book chapters, and the Research Dissemination Grant (RDG).

Assistant VPAA and Director of the Office of International Linkages (OIL) Prof. Rhodora Azanza talked about the International Scholarships/Fellowships/Grants for faculty, REPS, and students. These are the University of the Philippines Mobility for Vigor and Excellence (MOVE UP); Continuous Operational and Outcomes-based Partnership for Excellence in Research and Academic Training Enhancement (COOPERATE); Research/Creative Work Presentation in International Conferences; Hosting of

OVPAA / 11

UPVTC receives book donations from UPDDP

Pierce S. Docena

CHRISTMAS came really early for UP Visayas Tacloban College (UPVTC) as it received over 500 book donations from the UP Diliman Department of Psychology (UPDDP).

The donation was part of a project called “Para sa KinaBOOKasan: A Book Drive for UPV Tacloban” organized by the UPDDP and the Psychedelics. The book drive aimed to help UPVTC students

get the textbooks they need for the incoming school year and to enrich the UPVTC library's pool of reading resources.

From May 26 to June 30, 2014, the organizers were able to collect 560 textbooks, journals, magazines, readings/compilations/modules, non-academic tomes, fictional works, and other reading materials from various students, faculty, and alumni, including 146 brand new textbooks donated by Cengage Learning. These books were

shipped to UPVTC through the UPV Diliman Liaison Office.

The donations were received by Dean Anita Cular, together with some Psychology faculty and library staff of UPVTC. The Psychology faculty expressed their appreciation for the timely donation since the new book acquisitions of the College were washed out by super typhoon Yolanda last year and especially so that the College is set to start the First Semester this August.

COP, HSU conduct forum on maternal and fetal health

Marianito M. Ramirez, Jr.

IN line with the advocacy to promote maternal and child health and nutrition, the Community Outreach Program (COP), in partnership with the UPV Health Services Unit (HSU), Miagao, Iloilo, conducted a lecture-forum on “Maternal and Fetal Health: The First 1,000 Days” on 23 July 2014 at the GCEB Training Rooms 1 & 2, UP Visayas, Iloilo City.

The lecture-forum was attended by 80 barangay officials, community volunteer health workers (Barangay Nutrition Scholars and Barangay Health Workers), rural health midwives, and Municipal Nutrition Action Officers (MNAO) from different COP-partner communities in the City and Province of Iloilo.

Dr. Riza O. Subade, Medical

Officer III of the UPV-HSU, served as Resource Person. According to Subade, the first 1,000 days start at the time of pregnancy (280 days or 9 months) up to the age of two (720 days). They can shape a child's future. The health and nutrition condition of the mother and the child during the first 1,000 days can have a profound impact on child growth and development. The consequences of undernutrition at this stage are irreversible and could reach far as the child grows older.

“When we talk about child's health and nutrition, we cannot discount the importance of the mother's health and nutrition condition, too. Maternal undernutrition during pregnancy is associated with the baby's low weight at birth, neural tube defects, mental retardation,

and even death, among others. Studies show that 60% - 80% of infant death at birth is due to low birth weight. Complete brain development starts during the first month of pregnancy up to two years. After two years, it only grows in size. Thus, when the brain ceases to develop due to malnutrition, the child will more likely face lifelong cognitive and physical deficits and chronic health problems,” says Subade.

She also emphasized very important factors that can prevent maternal and child undernutrition. These include good and balanced nutrition, micro-nutrients supplementation, pre- and post- natal care, and protection from illnesses and stress factors such as smoking, drugs, alcohol, pollution, and

COP, HSU / 11

SoTech launches PRO-FIT Visayas

Reah P. Gepes

PRO-FIT, also known as «Promoting Food Industry Competitiveness Training Program was launched by the School of Technology (SoTech), U.P. Visayas, on 16 July 2014 at the Graduate and Continuing Education Building, UPV Iloilo City Campus.

UPV Chancellor Rommel Espinosa gave his Opening Remarks wherein he shared his vision for the School as well as emphasized the importance of food safety, not only in the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) but also in each of the household community.

With the prime objective to introduce a variety of qualification courses on food safety regulations and standards in order to enhance the capacity of local MSMEs in the food and beverage industry and make them competitive, Prof. Nestor Raneses, Director of University of the Philippines Institute of Small Scale Industries (UP ISSI), provided an overview of the ladderized curricula that the program has developed. It included the Certified Quality

Associate (CQA), Certification Programme on Good Manufacturing Practices (CPGMP), Certified Food Safety Professional (CFSP), Basic Food Safety and Hygiene Practices (BFSHP), and Diploma in Food Safety Management (DFSM).

CQA aims to achieve further competitive advantage in the food industry through the fundamental concepts of quality while CPGMP aims to aid the food safety professional to conform to standards and requirements and build upon existing good practices in line with the changes brought by related national and international legislation. CFSP, on the other hand, will provide knowledge on lean concepts, food processing, critical food operations, GMP concepts, food testing requirements and best practices, the HACCP principles, and effective audit reporting relating to food safety. BFSHP targets food and beverage SMEs to be provided with interactive visual aids about food safety, hygiene, and food handling.

As a beneficiary of UP ISSI's

Pro-FIT program, Prof. Emeliza Lozada, SoTech Dean, briefly presented the plans and topics that are available for training. This include but are not limited to, a Lecture Forum on the Philippine Food Safety Act of 2013 (RA 10611), Monitoring Process for Sanitation and Compliance to Regulatory Requirements, Implementation of Food Safety Guidelines for LGUs, Lecture Forum on Basic Food Safety Principles, Orientation and Workshop on Food Safety Management Tools, Training for Basic Quality Assurance Procedures, Use of Sensory Evaluation on Food Analysis, Food Packaging and Labeling Requirements, Techniques on Microbiological Analysis of Food and Specimen Collection for Microbiological Tests, and Handling of Suspected Samples in Food Poisoning Scenario.

A total of 35 participants, a mix of representatives from the LGUs of the different towns in Iloilo, DOH, DA, DOST, school administrators and private stakeholders, actively joined the Launching Activity.

OSA conducts psycho-social support program for UPVTC students

UP VISAYAS continues its effort to rehabilitate not only the physical aspects of the UPV Tacloban College (UPVTC) campus but also the psycho-social needs of its students in the aftermath of super typhoon Yolanda.

The University, through the Office of Student Affairs (OSA), conducted a Psycho-Social Support Program for the students of UPVTC on August 8-9, 2014 to provide assistance and support to the affected students in recuperating, moving forward, and planning their future after Typhoon Yolanda.

The program objectives are the following: 1) to allow the students to express themselves and make sense of what happened and restore their well-being; 2) to provide students the opportunity to share and discuss their experiences so that they learn from each other; 3) to help students develop a plan of action for their lives; and 4) to allow the Guidance Services Specialists (GSS) to assess the needs of students as bases for guidance and counselling intervention.

A team of GSS from the Guidance and Counselling Services Unit (GCSU) composed of Marina Elizabeth M. Salgado, Monica P. Espinosa, Juvy T. Janeo, Mylene M. Mondejar, Estela L. Pador, and Jeanette C. Gallo as Guidance Services Coordinator went to UPVTC for the two-day undertaking. The activity was also in time with the Freshman Orientation Program of the College. This gave the GSS the opportunity to closely observe how the guidance activities were implemented and assess how the students dealt with the effects of Yolanda.

Forty-eight students (including the facilitators) attended the sessions. Professor Zenia Miraviles, the OSA Coordinator of UPV Tacloban College, delivered the Opening and Welcome Remarks. A short orientation and briefing on the psycho-social support program and Ethical Guidelines were presented to the students. Activities like "Expectation Check," group discussions, lecturettes, sharing of Yolanda experiences, learning, and future plans were held. The participants burned their written concerns, problems, traumas, fears, and anxieties as their way of "letting go" of all the negative energies and starting a better future with a positive outlook in life.

Based on this experience, Gallo found the need to extend the program to more students who need it, conduct more sessions and psychological tests for a lasting effect, and assess students' interests and aptitudes to implement their long-term plan for their careers. (Lenilyn B. Gallos; with sources from the Office of Student Affairs)

The pursuit for a healthier UPV continues



(L-R) 1) The participants pose for a group picture after the seminar. 2) The participants in action.

THE Department of Physical Education (DPE), College of Arts and Sciences, teamed up with the UPV Healthy Lifestyle and Wellness Program Committee in organizing a seminar-workshop entitled, "Awareness to Wellness: For a Healthier and Progressive UPV."

Held for two days on July 21 for Miagao-based employees and on July 22, 2014 for the Iloilo City campus personnel, the event featured three lectures in the morning, the Resource Persons for which were introduced by Prof. Brenda Lynn Arroyo, concurrent Chair of the DPE and the UPV Healthy Lifestyle and Wellness Committee. Three physical activities were conducted in the afternoon which complemented the lectures.

Prof. Gilda Uy, faculty member

of the College of Human Kinetics, UP Diliman, gave an overview on the general health of the nation vis-à-vis the need to pursue a healthy lifestyle and wellness. Ms. Felicidad Velandria, a retired nutritionist formerly connected with the Department of Health, lectured on "Nutrition in Healthy Lifestyle Promotion, Exercise and Proper Eating Habits" while Mr. Mark Christopher Caron, Lecturer in the College of Human Kinetics, UP Diliman and Strength and Conditioning Coach of the National University Bulldogs, talked about "Physical Activity in Healthy Lifestyle Promotion and Proper Stretching Techniques."

The sequence of physical activities in the afternoon afforded the participants the opportunity to

properly engage in such an endeavor. Starting with the weight resistance training featuring various moves without the use of weights, it eased their bodies into the more vigorous cardio work-out that followed which was a combination of aerobics and Zumba moves. The basic Tai-Chi, the last work-out, gave them the chance to stretch and have a proper cool down.

Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs Prof. Emilia Encarnacion Santos-Yap welcomed the guests and participants on behalf of Chancellor Rommel A. Espinosa.

A total of 128 employees from both the Miagao and Iloilo City campuses participated in the seminar-workshop which was funded by the UP System through the Academic Program Improvement fund.

Empowered frontline.....page 6

of Student Affairs, the Library, the Offices of the College Secretary of the Arts and Sciences, Management, and Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, the Cash Services, the Health Services Unit, the Pilot Plant of the Institute of Fish Processing Technology, College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences and the Teaching and Learning Center was also conducted.

Mr. Philip Bernard Capadosa of the Civil Service Commission Region VI Office and its ARTA Coordinator, served as Resource Person. He discussed five modules to help empower frontline service providers. These are the following: 1) Know Your Customer; 2) Communication; 3) Empowerment; 4) Teamwork; and

5) Moving Forward.

Thirty-six UPV employees who are frontline service providers attended the seminar. Three who were chosen to give a feedback expressed their appreciation for having gained new insights and perspectives on how to be an empowered and a better frontline service provider. (Lyncen M. Fernandez)



MOA. from page 4

improving local health leadership leading to better health outcomes.

UPV Team is tasked to institutionalize and implement the Municipal Leadership and Governance Program (MLGP) in Western Visayas. The MLGP is a leadership program intended for local leaders at the municipal level such as the Mayor, Health Officer, and Planning Officer who are expected to improve their municipal health indicators and engage other local stakeholders in planning and decision-making. The UPV team will cover 32 priority municipalities and cities in the provinces of Aklan, Antique, Capiz, Guimaras, Iloilo, and Negros Occidental as identified by the National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC).

Before the implementation, the UPV team will undergo a trainers' training on the "Health Change Model" to be conducted by the ZFF.

The HLGP team for UPV is under the leadership of Dr. Philip Ian P. Padilla, as Program Manager and Prof. Alice Carolino, Assistant Program Manager. Technical Consultants/Team Members are as follows: Prof. Louise Annette B. Escoto, Prof. Josephine T. Firmase, Prof. Serafin Malecosio, and Prof. Melanie R. Sartorio. The support staff include Marianito M. Ramirez, Jr. (Training Assistant); Teresa Go-Romey (Field Work Assistant); and Beverly Germa (Administration Support Staff).

The program will run from August 2014 until July 2017.

Sadaba from page 1

since 1985.

The Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), launched the 2014 Search for Outstanding Teachers (SOT) in January.

With the theme, "Launching Dreams towards Nation Building," the Search honors the teaching profession, recognizing those who exhibit competence, remarkable dedication to their work, and effective educational leadership as well as their various community involvements.

Now on its 30th year, the Search is open to all teachers in the elementary, secondary, and higher education levels in both public and private schools throughout the country.

The winners will receive cash prizes with a medal, trophy, and a Plaque of Recognition for their school. (Lenilyn B. Gallos)

BACMS student joins in Asia-Pacific youth training

Teresa Hortillo

MS. Katrina Coleen A. Bayog a fourth year Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Studies student of UP Visayas, was one of the selected participants in the Asia-Pacific Youth Training on Media and Civic Participation on August 21-25, 2014 at the Mercure Bali Nusa Dua Hotel and the Global Media Forum on August 26-28, 2014 at the Bali Nusa Dua Convention Center.

Both events were organized by UNESCO and were held in Bali, Indonesia.

Seventy (70) delegates from 21 countries in the Asia-Pacific Region who participated in this UNESCO event. Ms. Bayog was one of the six delegates from the Philippines.

During the training, delegates shared their experiences for the promotion of the culture of peace. They also developed practical action plans and explored opportunities

that the new media provide to enhance youth participation and civic engagement. After five days of capacity development training, participants attended and were actively involved in the Global Media Forum with the theme: "The Role of Media in Realizing the Future We Want for All." In the conference, academics, practitioners, government and civil society analyzed the role of media in the implementation of the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

Orientationfrom page 9

Jeanette C. Gallo, Coordinator of the Guidance and Counseling Services Unit; 4) the Gender and Development Program by Mrs. Esterlina I. Gamez, Gender Advocate; and 5) Student Organizations and Activities as well as Student Conduct and Discipline by Prof. Ruben M. Gamala.

A video presentation dubbed

as "10 Sablay Tips" and prepared by the UPV Peer Facilitators (in coordination with OSA) presented some survival tips for the new *Iskolar ng Bayan*.

More college survival tips will be presented to new students during the Personal Effectiveness Program (PEP) classes. These are being facilitated by Guidance Services Specialists and are

conducted once a week for one and a half hours per session this First Semester. All first year college students of UPV are encouraged to attend the PEP sessions. (Source of Enrolment Data of First Year Students: Ms. Rina-Joy C. Ambatang, Computerized Registration System, Office of the University Registrar)

OVPAA presentsfrom page 9

International Conferences, Meetings, Workshops; and the World Experts Lecture Series.

Some of these available programs were approved by the Board of Regents in June 2014. Concepcion said that the OVPAA

will be coming out with the posters of these various programs for information dissemination. She encouraged everyone present in the presentation to avail themselves of the programs. She said interested applicants may

visit <http://www.ovpaa.up.edu.ph/> UPV Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Prof. Encarnacion Emilia S. Yap also expressed hope that the faculty and REPS will consider these programs.

COP, HSU conductfrom page 9

psychological stress.

"Bilang isa ka Municipal Nutrition Action Officer sang amon banwa, rako naman nga seminar ang akon napasakupan. Madamo gid nga salamat kay may bag-o naman ako nga natun-an. Pero gapasalamat pa gid ako

kay dako man ini nga kaalam nga ginhatag sa aton mga BNSs kag BHWs kay sila gid ang front liner naton sa patag sang nutrisyon kag ikaayong lawas sa mga barangays," echoes Mrs. Fely Matchan, MNAO of San Joaquin.

The lecture-forum on

maternal and child health and nutrition is part of COP's activities in celebration of the 2014 National Nutrition Month with the theme "Kalamidad Paghandaan: Gutom at Malnutrisyon Agapan."



UPViews



Vol. XIV No. 5

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF U.P. VISAYAS
Read UPViews online at www.upv.edu.ph

July - August 2014

UPViews is a bi-monthly publication of the Information and Publications Office (IPO), UP Visayas, with campuses in Miagao (Iloilo), Iloilo City, and Tacloban City.

Editor: Dr. Liah C. Catedrilla

Staff Writers: Mary Lynce M. Fernandez and Lenilyn B. Gallos

Language Editor: Prof. Ma. Joji B. Tan

Layout Artists: Cheryl C. Escaran

Photographer: GC Castro

Contributing Writers: GC Castro, Pierce Docena, Reah Gepes, Teresa Hortillo, Suzette Peñaredondo, Marianito Ramirez, Jr.

Circulation Manager: Perfecta G. Talavera and Vanessa G. Malaga

Addresses: Ground Floor, GCEB, Iloilo City Campus, Tel. No. (033) 508-0411

Administration Building, Miagao Campus, Tel. No. (033) 315-9494 (Trunkline) Local 255

E-mail: upvipo@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/U.P.Visayas.Official>

<https://twitter.com/UPVOfficial>

UPV nagtaguyod ng Pambansang Kongreso sa Salin

ANG Unibersidad ng Pilipinas Visayas (UPV) sa pamamagitan ng Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino (KWF) at Pambansang Komisyon para sa Kultura at mga Sining ay naglunsad ng Pambansang Kongreso sa Salin na may temang "Ang Pagsasalin Bilang Pambansang Pangangailangan" noong 7-9 Agosto 2014 sa UPV Auditorium, Lungsod ng Iloilo.

Nilayon ng pambansang kongreso na matipon ang mga praktisyoner, mga tagasalin at lahat ng sumusuporta sa gawaing pagsasalin upang talakayin ang kahalagahan at pangangailangan ng pagsasalin sa bansa; magkaroon ng kamalayang panlipunan sa kahalagahan ng pagsasalin; malaman ang kahalagahan ng pagsasalin sa

iba't ibang larangan ng lipunan, pamahalaan, negosyo, edukasyon, mass media, agham at teknolohiya; at, higit pang mapataas ang antas ng pagsasalin.

Sang-ayon kay Dr. Virgilio S. Almario, pambansang alagad ng sining at tagapangulo ng KWF, ang Pambansang Kongreso sa Salin ay naglalayong pag-usapan ang napakahalagang papel ng pagsasalin lalo na ngayon dahil sa programang Mother-Tongue Based Multilingual Education ng Kagawaran ng Edukasyon at ang okasyong ito ang magiging hakbang para sa pagbuo ng isang resolusyon o adyenda sa pagsasalin.

Ang mga panauhing pandangal na sina Dr. Rommel A. Espinosa,



(L-R) UPV Tsanselor Espinosa, Almario ng KWF at Miclat ng Pambansang Komisyon para sa Wika at Pagsasalin.

tsanselor ng UP Visayas; Dr. Virgilio S. Almario; at, Dr. Mario I. Miclat, tagapangulo ng Pambansang Komisyon para sa Wika at Pagsasalin, Pambansang Komisyon para sa Kultura at mga Sining ay nagbigay ng kanilang mga mensahe. Pinuri nila ang nasabing aktibidades at kanila ring binigyang diin ang kahalagahan ng pagsasalin para sa pagsulong at pag-unlad lalo na ng isang multilingual na bansa katulad ng Pilipinas.

Ilang eksperto sa iba't ibang larangan ang inanyayahan bilang tagapanayam para talakayin ang kahalagahan ng pagsasalin sa larangan ng edukasyon, batas, kalusugan, agham at teknolohiya, siyensya, pampanitikan, media, inansiyal at iba pa.

Ang bawat panayam ay sinundan ng malayang talakayan at masusing pagtatanong ng mga kalahok para

sa layuning mapaunlad ang estado ng pagsasalin sa bansa. Nagkaroon ng palihan hinggil sa pagsasalin na siyang nagbukas ng iba pang paksa para makapag-ambag ng talino ang bawat delegado.

Ang tatlong araw na pambansang kongreso ay dinaluhan ng mga manunulat, iskolar, guro, mananaliksik at dalubhasa sa wika at pagsasalin sa bansa na nagbigay ng panahon para makapag-ambag sa simulain ng pagtataguyod ng propesyong pagsasalin sa Pilipinas.

Ang pagdaraos ng pambansang kongreso sa salin sa UP Visayas ay bahagi ng selebrasyon ng unibersidad sa pagtataguyod ng Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa 2014 na may temang "Filipino: Wika ng Pagkakaiba."

(Lenilyn Gallos; with sources from Sydna Lozada, Sentro ng Wikang Filipino)

A bigger 4th Run UP

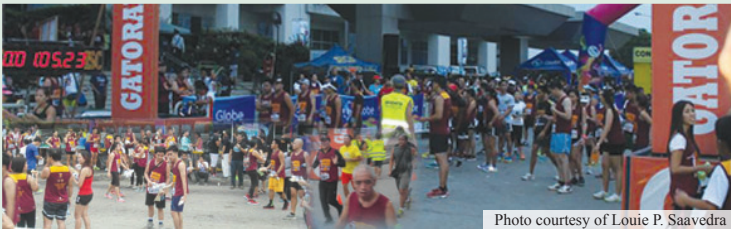


Photo courtesy of Louie P. Saavedra

UPV Students, faculty, staff, and alumni gather at SM City Iloilo grounds for the 4th Run UP.

A SEA of maroon, the color of the University of the Philippines, flooded the street in front of SM City, Iloilo City, as runners for the "4th Run UP!" showed up to join the event on July 19, 2014.

This year's run was much bigger than those of all of the three previous years combined. Aptly dubbed as "Maroon Swagger," the event drew in close to 900 runners who were not just UP alumni but dedicated runners in the provinces of Iloilo, Antique, Roxas, and Negros Occidental.

Runners in all sorts of fitness levels, shapes, and sizes chose the distance of their choice in the 3, 5, 10 and 21K categories. The 21K category was a first this year and gave a dri-fit finisher's t-shirt and medal to the first 100 runners to cross the finish line. In addition, those who finished the race at Sub 2 (2 hours and 20 minutes) got an additional dri-fit t-shirt proudly captioned in front with the words, "I Kicked Asphalt."

Another unique feature of this year's Fun Run was the use of the UP Oblation symbol on the runner's singlet. The Oblation is one of the most iconic symbols of the University. Another first was the "sweet treat" for the alumni. Those who registered in the run and brought in two more, got a free white alumni dri-fit t-shirt enumerating UP

Iloilo's academic group at the back and the Oblation in front alongside the "Maroon Swagger" byline.

Race Kits (singlets and race bibs) were sold out two days before race day and additional race bibs were printed to accommodate those who still wanted to join the race sans the singlet.

The Run UP was organized by the UP Alumni Association, Inc., - Iloilo Chapter (UPAAI, Inc.) as one of its major activities in line with its annual homecoming in the month of July. This year, the race organizers also reached out to the runners to join not just Run UP but also other activities held later that day at the UP Visayas Iloilo City campus in line with the UP Iloilo alumni homecoming. In addition, the race organizers pledged that they would always go for innovation and branding to achieve name recall and have its own niche in the market for all kinds of runners.

UP alumnus Louie Saavedra, Treasurer of the UPAAI, Inc., was the over-all organizer of the 4th Run UP with Mr. PyTremañez of New Horizon tapped as Race Director. Saavedra expressed heartfelt thanks to the alumni, the running community, and UP Visayas, particularly the Administration, for their all-out support to the 4th Run UP. (Lyncen M. Fernandez)

Two UPV.....page 1

novel projects such as a regional fisheries camp attended by high school students, math tutorials, and sponsorship of major events during the sports week. He also initiated several socio-civic activities such as assisting in the establishment of the first Marine Protected Area in Miagao through the creation of a municipal technical working group, holding of symposium attended by representative local officials and fisherfolks, and organizing a boat-painting activity that benefited all the registered fishing vessels in the Municipality's 22 coastal barangays.

Leonida finished his thesis with an output that was submitted for possible publication in the Philippine Journal of Natural Sciences, according to his thesis adviser, Dr. Nathaniel Añasco. It has now been published.

Meanwhile, Friez Arban D. Perales graduated *cum laude* with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Major in Marketing from the College of Management. He was named the 2014 Most Outstanding Graduate of UP Visayas.

Perales exhibited admirable leadership skills in various student organizations in UPV such as the UPV AdCamp Katorse, UPV Marketing Society, and the Iloilo Federation of Junior Marketers'

Association wherein he mostly served as president or chairperson. His leadership skills extended well beyond the walls of the UPV. He was the Sangguniang Kabataan Chairperson of the Barangay Tambobo Council in Tambobo, Dumangas (2010 - 2013), the Committee Chairperson of the Committee on Education and Socials of the Municipality of Dumangas (2010 - 2013), and Co-Founder and President of the Progressive and Responsible Alliance of Youth (PRAY) of the Municipality of Dumangas (2010 - 2013).

Perales was also highly active in various individual and group competitions that brought honor and distinction to UPV. To name some, he was chosen as a delegate to the 8th Aboitiz Future Leaders Business Summit, was a Regional Finalist in the Bayer Young Environmental Envoy, and was a delegate to the 15th Ayala Young Leaders Congress.

Leonida and Perales received their award on August 7, 2014 in Malacañan Palace. They are sterling examples UPV graduates who embody the core values of service, excellence, integrity, nationalism, and environmental stewardship that the University tries to instill among its students long after they have left the walls of UPV. (Lyncen M. Fernandez)