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MarSU Graduate Students Immerse in DLSU-D Teaching and Research Practice



De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) hosted seven MAED students and Asst. Prof. Jholey Rose R. Leaño-Lancion from Marinduque State University (MarSU) for an academic and professional development visit, reinforcing both institutions' commitment to quality education.

The core of the exchange involved MarSU students conducting classroom observations within DLSU-D's College and Basic Education departments. This immersion provided the visiting cohort with valuable, firsthand exposure to innovative Lasallian pedagogical strategies and effective learning environments, directly contributing to the practical enhancement of their teaching knowledge. The visit was successfully organized through the collaborative efforts of the Linkages and Scholarship Office, Mr. Raymond Ibasco (Chair of the Languages and Literature Department), and Ms. Ma. Luisa Cuaresma (Associate Principal for Academics and Research).

DLSU-D's VPAS Lectures, Forges Partnerships in Spain



Br. Fernando “Dan” Sanding FSC, Vice President for Administrative Services (VPAS), successfully presented a special lecture at the La Salle Campus of Ramon Llull University (URL). On December 4, 2025, Br. Sanding addressed the Faculty of Business, sharing critical insights on “Understanding Outcomes-Based Education (OBE): A Framework for Meaningful Learning.”

Alongside his lecture, Br. Sanding held key meetings with administrators from both La Salle Madrid and La Salle Barcelona, in addition to consulting with representatives from the Philippine Embassy. These discussions focused on forging new partnership opportunities aimed at strengthening global academic and international ties across the Lasallian community.

Brgy. Sampaloc 1 Awarded by OVPGEER for BTKK Support



The Office of the Vice President for Global Engagement and External Relations (OVPGEER) awards Punong Barangay Melencio B. Likot Jr. and his team for their support in the "Bayan Ko Teacher Ko" (BTKK) program. This acknowledgment specifically honored the Barangay's provision of a vehicle service, which ensured the safe and efficient transportation of student volunteers between the DLSU-D campus and Vicente P. Memorial Elementary School.

The OVPGEER recognizes the Barangay's efforts as a model of effective local engagement that is indispensable for the success of community-based programs.

DLSU-D Partners with Lasallian Alumni to Create Opportunities and Hope



AARO Director Mr. Julius Tibayan and Bahay Pag-asa Dasmariñas (BPD) Director Ms. Cherry Pareja met with fellow Lasallian Atty. Eliseo Raul Bacalzo to discuss ways to provide additional support for this transformative program, which offers hope and rehabilitation for Children in Conflict with the Law (CICL).

The discussion focused on strengthening initiatives that promote the holistic development, well-being, and future opportunities of the BPD residents.

The meeting also looked into creating internship and employment opportunities for DLSU-D students and alumni, reinforcing the University's commitment to meaningful industry engagement and career pathways. This collaboration highlights how Lasallians continue to work together, building bridges between education, social impact, and professional growth.

Argentine Consul Sardoni Connects Cultures in "Closing the Gap" Lecture

Consul Fabricio Sardoni, the Consul and Political Affairs Officer at the Argentine Embassy in Manila, delivered today, December 9, at the ADG Reception Hall a successful talk titled "Closing the Gap." This is part of the ongoing "Beyond Borders: The Embassy Lecture Series."

The audience consisted of students from the College of Tourism and Hospitality Management (CTHM) and the College of Liberal Arts and Communication (CLAC).

Through his lecture, Consul Sardoni provided a comprehensive overview of Argentina's history, vibrant culture (including the passion of tango and its literature), and key economic developments, specifically designed to emphasize the importance of strengthening people-to-people connections and appreciating global diversity. He particularly highlighted parallel experiences shared by Argentina and the Philippines to foster tangible avenues for bilateral cooperation. The session culminated in a robust question-and-answer forum on tourism and diplomacy, which provided students with valuable direct access to the perspectives of a seasoned diplomat.

Beyond Borders, continues to be vital for building global awareness and cross-cultural understanding through featured embassy lecture.



DLSU-D and Shinawatra University (SIU) Thailand Hold Virtual Exchange on Green Supply Chain

De La Salle University-Dasmariñas, through the College of Business Administration and Accountancy (CBAA)'s Marketing Department, strengthened its international academic partnership with Shinawatra University, Thailand, by hosting a faculty virtual exchange for students enrolled in the Green Marketing elective.

Marketing students from MKA 41 and MKA 42 under Ms. Djhoanna Rington attended a lecture delivered by A. K. Mahbubul Hye, PhD, who discussed "Applying the Value Chain to Green Supply Chain."

The session provided students with valuable insights into how sustainability can be embedded across different stages of the value chain, highlighting practical strategies businesses can adopt to improve environmental performance.

This virtual exchange exposes students to global perspectives on sustainable business practices.



The image is a promotional poster for a virtual lecturer exchange. At the top, it features the logos of De La Salle University Dasmariñas and Shinawatra University. Below the logos, the text "Virtual LECTURER EXCHANGE" is written in green, with "LECTURER EXCHANGE" in a larger, bold font. Underneath, the title of the lecture is "Applying the Value Chain to Green Supply Chain". The date and time are listed as "December 9, 2025; 2:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m (PHT)". A portrait of the lecturer, A.K. Mahbubul Hye, PhD, is on the right. Below his name, the word "Lecturer" is written in smaller text. A QR code is provided for joining the meeting. The QR code is located on the left side of the poster. The text "Scan the QR code to join" is written above the QR code, followed by "Meeting ID: 717 8950 8682" and "Passcode: 5b1EwV". At the bottom, there are social media icons for X, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn.

DLSU-D Recognized Alongside Top Academic Institutions at CHED ICONS 2025



De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSUD) received the International Rankings Award at the Commission on Higher Education's (CHED) Internationalization Champions of Nation-Building and Sustainability (ICONS) Awards 2025 on December 10 at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC).

This significant recognition placed DLSU-D alongside other leading Philippine Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), SUCs, and LUCs acknowledged for their global performance. The award specifically honors DLSU-D's achievement in the globally respected Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings, where the university secured a position within the 1001-1500 band.

THE Impact Rankings measure universities' contributions toward the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), validating the real-world impact of DLSUD's programs and research.

MSD Faculty and Students Set for Academic Exchange in Vietnam



Faculty members and students from the Mathematics and Statistics Department are preparing for an international learning experience through the upcoming Faculty and Student Exchange Program with Hanoi National University of Education (HNUE) in Vietnam.

The Linkages and Scholarship Office's (LSO) Dr. Irene Gueco and Ms. Agnes Olarter facilitated the contract signing, formally confirming the BS in Mathematics delegates:

- Faculty Exchange: Prof. Sharon Lubag and Dr. Nelda Nacion
- Student Exchange: Patricia Betina Custodio, Benedict Rodil, and Maverick Jhon Sendon

Expressing her full support for the delegation, Dr. Nornelyn Lim-Cachuela, Vice President for Global Engagement and External Relations (OVPGEER), shared: "We are proud of our faculty and students for taking this step toward global academic exposure. May this exchange offer you meaningful learning, broadened perspectives, and experiences."

DLSU-D Receives Provincial Recognition for Support to Cavite Employment Programs

De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) received a Certificate of Recognition from the Provincial Government of Cavite for its valuable contribution and support to the successful implementation of the 2025 programs and activities of the Office of the Provincial Public Employment Service Manager (OPG-OPPESM). The award was received on behalf of the University by Mr. Dennis Bautista and Mr. Julius Tibayan of the Office of the Vice President for Global Engagement and External Relations (OVPGEER).

The recognition affirms DLSU-D's strong partnership with the provincial government in advancing employment facilitation, career readiness, and workforce development initiatives across Cavite.



DLSU-D Explores Foreign-Funded Scholarship Opportunities to Advance Internationalization

Linkages and Scholarship Office (LSO) Director, Dr. Irene Gueco, participated in the Foreign Scholarships and Training Program (FSTP) and Erasmus+ Caravan – Luzon Leg 2, organized by the Commission on Higher Education–International Affairs Service (CHED IAS) on December 15–16, 2025, at Twin Lakes Hotel, Tagaytay.

Her participation aimed to identify foreign scholarship and funding opportunities that can support DLSU-D's internationalization initiatives, particularly in strengthening faculty and student mobility, global partnerships, and capacity-building programs.

The caravan featured key opportunities such as Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility, Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters, and Capacity Building in Higher Education, as well as ODA-funded programs from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). Also highlighted were the Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship Programme, Study in Taiwan scholarships through TECO, and Fulbright Programs.



DLSU-D Recognized by CHEDRO IV-A for International Rankings Award at CHED ICONS 2025



De La Salle University–Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) was recognized by the Commission on Higher Education Regional Office IV-A (CHEDRO IV-A) for being an awardee of the International Rankings Award during the CHED ICONS Awards 2025, in recognition of the University's strong performance in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings.

The recognition was conferred during the Synergy, Opportunities, Advancement and Recognition (SOAR) Conference held on December 15, 2025, at Twin Lakes. The award was received on behalf of the University by Dr. Nor Cachuela, Vice President for Global Engagement and External Relations.

The SOAR Conference was organized by CHEDRO IV-A in partnership with the Association of International Relations Officers–Region IV-A (AIRO 4A), under the leadership of Regional Director Dr. Rogelio T. Galera Jr., with Dr. Pelagio Labang, Jr., IZN Focal Person and Education Supervisor, and attended by representatives from HEIs across the region.

The recognition affirms DLSU-D's sustained efforts in academic excellence, research impact, and internationalization, and underscores the University's growing visibility in global higher education rankings. It also reflects the collective commitment of the DLSU-D community to advancing quality education aligned with international standards.

CoSa's Story of Hope: Strengthening Our Scholars' Lasallian Mission



CoSa's Story of Hope: Strengthening Our Scholars' Lasallian Mission The Linkages and Scholarship Office extends its heartfelt appreciation to the DLSU-Dasmariñas Circle of Student Assistants (CoSa) for spearheading the spiritual activity CoSama ka PRE 20 themed "Story of Hope as Lasallian Scholar and Professional," held at the Alumni Function Hall. Through CoSa's leadership, dedication, and spirit of service, the event became a meaningful space for reflection and inspiration. The activity encouraged our DLSU-D scholars to deepen their understanding of what it means to live the Lasallian mission—with faith, love, and compassion at the center of their journey. We commend the CoSa for initiating this uplifting experience and for continuously serving as role models of commitment and hope. Your efforts truly strengthen the heart of our scholarship community.

BTK Day 9: Strengthening Skills Through Reading and Play



The BTK Day 9 tutorial session continued to spark joy and learning as students focused on reading words and sentences using the featured letters for the day. With fun, engaging, and interactive activities, our young learners showed greater confidence and enthusiasm in developing their reading skills. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Master Siomai, our partner concessionaire, for generously providing food that kept everyone energized. We also sincerely acknowledge the support of the Barangay Captain of Brgy. Sampaloc 1 for providing transportation services from DLSU-D to VPVMS—ensuring a smooth and safe journey for all. A special ANIMO salute to our dedicated DLSU-D Scholar Tutors, whose commitment, patience, and passion continue to inspire the learners each day. Their hard work truly brings life to the mission of BTK.

As BTK continues, so does our commitment to nurturing learning, building confidence, and forging strong partnerships for the benefit of our young learners.

BKTK Day 10: A Heartwarming Culmination of Learning and Service



The BKTK Day 10 tutorial session marks the final day of participation of our dedicated DLSU-D scholar tutors—yet the learning journey of our young readers continues with enthusiasm through our DepEd partners. This culminating session overflowed with energy and joy as our Grade 2 learners showed extra activeness in reading activities, sentence matching, play-based learning, and a lively storytelling experience. A significant highlight of the day was the official turnover of the BKTK Learning Kits to the principal of VPVMS, Ma'am Berlina A. Alcaide, symbolizing the continued commitment to strengthening literacy among young learners. We likewise extend our heartfelt appreciation to Brgy. Capt. Melencio B. Likot of Brgy. Sampaloc 1, who visited the school to check on the program and has consistently provided transportation support throughout the BKTK implementation. His assistance ensured the safety and convenience of our scholar tutors every session. We also acknowledge today's partner concessionaire, Chef Alde's Chicken House, for providing food that kept our participants energized and motivated. Our gratitude goes to the Grade 2 learners who actively participated in every session, and to the entire VPVMS community for warmly accommodating the DLSU-D OVPGEER team, supported by AARO, LCDC, LSO, the College of Education, and our concessionaire partners. Above all, we recognize our DLSU-D scholar tutors for their unwavering dedication, time, effort, and generous sharing of talents—making this phase of the BKTK program truly impactful and successful. Proud to say ANIMO!

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Takwarents: TLS Grand Alumni Homecoming – A Dinner for a Cause



The Linkages and Scholarship Office–Scholarship Unit under the supervision of Dr. Nor Cachuela, Vice President for Global Engagement, and External Relations, proudly organized Takwarents: TLS Grand Alumni Homecoming, a dinner for a cause that reunited generations of DLSU-D TEATRO Lasalliana members in support of current and future scholars. It was an evening filled with warm reunions, meaningful exchanges, and a collective commitment to strengthening the scholarship program.

As TEATRO Lasalliana approaches Batch 40, the current members worked with great enthusiasm to prepare the program—ensuring their ates and kuyas felt welcomed, honored, and celebrated. Their dedication created a lively space where alumni could reconnect, share stories, and celebrate the legacy they helped build.

Under the artistic leadership of Mr. Nazer Degayo Salcedo and with the support of Sir Joel Refuerzo of the Cultural Arts Office, TLS continues to be a vibrant space where performance, discipline, and community thrive. The homecoming highlighted this enduring mission, showcasing the strong bond between past and present members.

Throughout the night, alumni fondly recalled the scenes they performed, the moments they shared backstage, and the lasting friendships formed within the organization. The joy of seeing each other again—united by the same passion and purpose—echoed throughout the venue.

To the TLS alumni, thank you for coming home and extending your generosity. Your presence and support will significantly help our performing arts scholars and sustain the vibrant artistic spirit of DLSU-D.

LCDC Participates in the Cavite PDRRMC 4th Quarter Full Council Meeting



The Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC) actively participated in the 4th Quarter Full Council Meeting of the Cavite Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC) on December 1, 2025 held at the New Provincial Capitol Building in Trece Martires City, Cavite. Representing LCDC, Dr. Grace Red, LCDC DRRM Project Officer, joined a diverse group of stakeholders from across the province—including local government units (LGUs), academic institutions, civil society organizations (CSOs), and other key partners. The meeting aimed to strengthen intersectoral collaboration and provided critical updates on weather outlook, Taal Volcano activity, disease surveillance, and disaster thematic pillar committee reports. Certificates of Recognition were awarded to all active PDRRMC members, including the Lasallian Community Development Center, in acknowledgment of their continued commitment and contributions. This gathering of institutions underscores a shared dedication to enhancing disaster preparedness, building resilient communities, and promoting sustainable development throughout Cavite.

LCDC Participates in the CASMEDC Year-End Assessment and 4th Quarter 2025 Meeting



The Cavite Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise Development Council (CASMEDC) conducted its Year-End Assessment and 4th Quarter 2025 Meeting on December 3, 2025, at Kenny Rogers, Mangahan, Dasmariñas, Cavite. The activity served as a platform to reflect on the council's accomplishments for the year, evaluate ongoing initiatives, and prepare for the year ahead.

Tackled in the meeting were:

1) 2025 Performance Review, Presentation and discussion of CASMEDC's accomplishments, milestones, and challenges throughout the year, 2) Treasurer's Report a Financial updates and status of funds, including expenditures and year-end balances, 3) MSME Business Conference Post Evaluation – Assessment of the recently concluded 2025 Cavite MSME Business Conference, highlighting feedback, results, and recommendations for improvement, 4) 2026 Action Planning – Setting strategic directions, priority programs, and planned activities for the council in 2026.

After the formal meeting, council members gathered for a simple Christmas celebration, which included an exchange of gifts activity, parlor games, and a fellowship meal. It was a joyful opportunity for members to meet, eat, have fun, and strengthen camaraderie as the year comes to a close.

30 members of Cavite Small and Medium Enterprise Development Council present in this meeting. DLSU-D represented by Ms. Rona Serrano of LCDC.

Consultative Meeting on MSME Program Convergence Strengthens Support for Cavite Entrepreneurs



A consultative meeting on MSME Program Convergence, aligned with the Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprise Development (MSMED) Plan 2025–2028, was successfully held on December 4, 2025, at the New Cavite Provincial Government Center in Trece Martires City. The event gathered 48 stakeholders from national government agencies (NGAs), local government units (LGUs), non-government organizations (NGOs), civil society organizations (CSOs), private sector partners, and members of the Small and Medium Enterprise Development (SMED) Council representing various cities and municipalities across Cavite.

The meeting aimed to strengthen collaboration and harmonize programs under the MSMED Plan's six strategic goals, ensuring convergence and complementarity in supporting Cavite's growing MSME sector. Each participating agency presented its initiatives mapped against these goals to promote unified implementation across the province.

Representing the Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC) was Ms. Rona Serrano, reaffirming the university's commitment to advancing local MSME development through education and community engagement.

Building Bridges Through Technology: CICS and LCDC Forge Sustainable Extension Partnership



The Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC) and the College of Information and Computer Studies (CICS) took a significant step toward strengthening Extension and Service-Learning initiatives through a collaborative advisory meeting. The dialogue focused on aligning CICS's extension and service-learning plans with the university's mission and community development goals.

Present during the meeting were CICS Dean Ms. Marivic Mitschek, QUEST Program Coordinator Ms. Iris Diorella Andaya, and QUEST Project Officer Mr. Lorenzo S. Centino, Jr. The discussion highlighted the College's proposed sustainable extension program, ALAB (Advancing Learning and Amplifying Bridges)—a comprehensive initiative designed to harness technology, innovation, and service for community empowerment.

A Chapter Closes, but the Mission Lives On: Exit Conference Marks Milestone in Child Protection Advocacy



Save the Children Philippines, in partnership with De La Salle University–Dasmariñas through the Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC) and the Philippine Rural Reconstruction Movement, successfully held the Exit Conference at Acacia Hotel, marking the culmination of a two-year advocacy project against Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children (OSAEC) in Cavite. The initiative, known as Batang LIGTAS, spanned the municipalities of GMA, Silang, Tanza, Naic, and Trece Martires City. The event gathered key stakeholders from Local Government Units, Barangay Officials, DepEd Cavite, and DSWD, celebrating the collective impact of partnerships forged to protect children from online exploitation. In her keynote address, Dr. Nor Cachuela, Vice President for Global Engagement and External Relations, underscored the importance of sustained collaboration: “Hindi ito pagtatapos kundi pagpapatibay. This milestone moves us closer to sustained protection against OSAEC and CSAEM. Kailangan tuloy-tuloy ang proteksyon. Let our shared advocacy continue to inspire action: ipaglaban ang kaligtasan at karapatan ng bawat bata.” Over the course of 2024–2025, Batang LIGTAS achieved significant milestones: · 1,544 children and 842 parents/caregivers reached through awareness and education programs · 110 at-risk households supported with livelihood and social protection · 92 participants trained on Public Investment in Children · Strengthened local mechanisms through 10 partner barangays, 7 Child-Led Groups, and two livelihood batches

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- Enactment of one barangay ordinance promoting child protection

These accomplishments reflect how partnerships protect, empower, and transform lives, turning advocacy into tangible community progress. As the project concludes, stakeholders reaffirm that this is not an ending but a milestone—a testament to what can be achieved when communities unite for the safety and rights of every child.

PaskoJuan 2025: A Christmas Bazaar of Hope!



PaskoJuan 2025: A Christmas Bazaar of Hope was more than just a festive event—it was a platform for community empowerment. Held at the University Lane from December 2–5, 2025, we witnessed how creativity, entrepreneurship, and purposeful collaboration can uplift lives and bring sustainable opportunities to our partner communities.

Thank you to our bazaaristas for showcasing local talent and innovation, to our performers and volunteers for sharing their time and passion, and to the Lasallian community for supporting responsible consumption, inclusive growth, and meaningful social impact.

Together, we close this year's bazaar with grateful hearts. May the connections we built, the opportunities we opened, and the smiles we shared continue to inspire hope within our partner communities. Here's to more meaningful initiatives in the years ahead.

CPGS Strengthens Service-Learning Commitment Through Partnership with Mermier Foundation



The College of Professional and Graduate Studies (CPGS) of De La Salle University-Dasmariñas took a significant step toward advancing its service-learning and community engagement initiatives through a new partnership with the Mermier Children and Community Development Foundation, Inc. on December 6, 2025. The meeting centered on conducting a comprehensive Needs Assessment of the Mermier Foundation. This assessment serves as a critical foundation for CPGS's strategic planning, ensuring that upcoming community-based activities are responsive to the actual needs of the partner institution.

Based on the insights gathered, CPGS will design programs that include:

- Service-Learning Activities – Integrating community engagement into academic curricula, enabling students to apply professional and graduate-level knowledge in real-world contexts while fostering social responsibility.
- Extension Projects and Programs – Mobilizing faculty expertise and student involvement to address identified needs within the Mermier Foundation, promoting sustainable community development.

This strategic collaboration reflects CPGS's commitment to impactful outreach and holistic education. The anticipated projects will not only benefit the Mermier Children and Community Development Foundation but will also enrich the professional formation of CPGS students.

The initiative is supported by the Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC), the university's lead unit for Extension and Service-Learning coordination, reinforcing the institution's dedication to meaningful partnerships and nation-building.

SKULTURA 2025 Service-Learning Highlights Youth Business Creativity and Tourism Innovation in Action



3rd year BS Tourism Management students from the College of Tourism and Hospitality Management successfully implemented of their Service-Learning SKULTURA (Sariling Kusa ng Lasalyano para sa Turismo, Realidad, at Aksyon) on December 9, 2025. Guided by their mentors, Ms. Daffodil Cordero and Dr. Jimford Tabuyo, students from the courses Entrepreneurship in Tourism, Tourism Policy, Planning and Development, and Strategic Management showcased their creativity, leadership, and commitment to community-building through meaningful service-learning engagements.

SKULTURA provides students the opportunity to design tourism and business concepts that may be endorsed to local entrepreneurs and organizations, while also crafting comprehensive tourism development plans that can support partner municipalities in cultivating sustainable tourism growth.

This semester's engagement featured presentation of innovative student-created tourism business products and tourism development plans tailor-fit for selected municipalities.

Through these initiatives, our BTM students demonstrated how tourism education goes beyond the classroom—empowering communities, uplifting local industries, and shaping a more sustainable future for Philippine tourism.

Accountancy Department Concludes Service-Learning Activity Empowering Local Cooperatives



The Accountancy Department successfully concluded its four-day Service-Learning Activity titled “Empowering Cooperatives through Financial Literacy and Bookkeeping Training” on December 4 and 6, 2025. The initiative was part of the Accounting for Government and Not-for-Profit Organizations (NPOs) course for third- and fourth-year Accountancy students.

Held at the CBAA-GSB Room from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, the training sessions provided cooperative representatives with essential knowledge and practical skills in financial management and bookkeeping. These competencies are vital for strengthening organizational sustainability and promoting sound financial practices within local cooperatives.

The program culminated in a graduation ceremony at MLB105, College of Engineering and Architecture Technology (CEAT) Building, celebrating the participants' successful completion of the training. Through this Service-Learning initiative, students applied classroom concepts to real-world contexts, fostering community engagement while contributing to the development of financially empowered cooperatives.

CEAT, LCDC, and PNPA Explore Collaborative Partnership for Campus Scale Model Project



The College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology (CEAT), in coordination with the Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC), held an exploratory meeting with the Philippine National Police Academy (PNPA) on December 10, 2025, to discuss a potential collaborative partnership.

The PNPA sought technical assistance from DLSU-D in updating its campus scale model—a critical tool for visual planning and infrastructure development. This initiative presents a unique opportunity for Engineering and Architecture students to apply their expertise in surveying, design, and fabrication while contributing to a national institution's modernization efforts.

The meeting was attended by key representatives from both institutions, including Engr. Ma. Estrella Natalie Pineda, Dean of CEAT; Dr. Maria Theresa Gochuico, Director of LCDC; PLTCOL Mary Jane Agamata, Chief of the Engineering Section under the Logistics Management Division of PNPA; Ar. Joselito Cillo, Chair of the Architecture Department; Engr. Froilan Tanque from PNPA's Engineering Section – Logistics Management Division; and Ms. Iris Diorella Andaya, Coordinator of LCDC's QUEST Program.

This exploratory discussion marks the beginning of a promising partnership that combines academic expertise with real-world application, reinforcing DLSU-D's commitment to community engagement and nation-building.

Strengthening Partnerships: DLSU-D and PNPA Move Toward Strategic Collaboration



Following a successful exploratory meeting between the College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology (CEAT), the Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC), and the Philippine National Police Academy (PNPA), a productive ocular visit was conducted at the PNPA site on December 12, 2025.

The visit provided an opportunity to review the PNPA scale model and engage in critical discussions on the development of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that will formalize collaboration between the institutions. This partnership aims to advance academic excellence and nation-building through shared expertise in engineering, architecture, and community development.

In attendance during the ocular visit were PLTCOL Mary Jane Agamata, Chief of the Engineering Section under the Logistics Management Division of PNPA; Ar. Joselito Cillo, Chair of the Architecture Department at DLSU-D; Ar. Johnus Renan Mirazol, faculty member of the Architecture Department at DLSU-D; Ms. Iris Diorella Andaya, Coordinator of the QUEST Program of LCDC; Mr. Jhoven Paulite, Project Officer of the QUEST Program of LCDC; Ar. Juniemar Calibuso from the PNPA Engineering Section; and Engr. Alberto Gaddi, also from the PNPA Engineering Section.

The initiative underscores the commitment of both institutions to foster innovation, strengthen community engagement, and contribute to national development through collaborative projects and knowledge exchange.

CPGS Outreach Activity: Spreading Joy and Building Connections



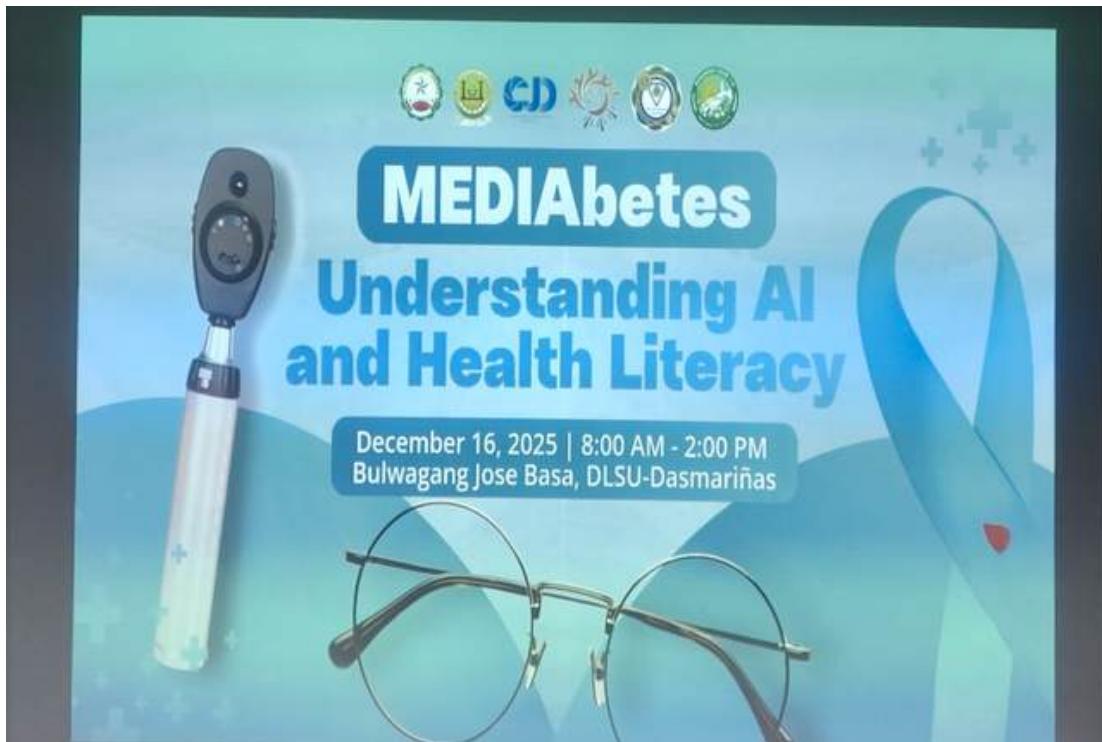
Graduate students enrolled in the St. John Baptist De La Salle courses under the College of Professional and Graduate Studies (CPGS) of De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) organized an outreach activity at the Mermier Children and Community Development Foundation, Inc. on December 13, 2025.

This initiative served as a pre-service learning activity, providing students with an opportunity to engage meaningfully with the community before implementing a full-scale service-learning program. By interacting with the children and staff, students gained valuable insights into the organization's needs, culture, and dynamics—critical for designing relevant and impactful future projects. The experience also fostered trust and rapport, laying the groundwork for sustainable, community-centered collaborations.

Beyond relationship-building, the activity offered practical exposure to planning, coordination, and teamwork—skills essential for successful service-learning implementation. Through this engagement, students demonstrated their commitment to creating informed and responsive projects that truly serve the community.

The event brought joy to approximately 230 children, who enjoyed a festive Christmas celebration filled with games, dances, delicious food, and gifts—all made possible through the generosity and efforts of the St. John course students.

MEDIAbetes: Communicating Truth, Caring for Life, Serving Communities



Congratulations to our 4th Year AB Communication Public Relations (PR) Track students from the Communication and Journalism Department, College of Liberal Arts and Communication, for the successful implementation of their Service-Learning engagement, “**MEDIAbetes: Understanding AI and Health Literacy**,” held on December 16, 2025.

Under the mentorship of Dr. Marco Polo and Mr. Mervin Wenke, and as part of the integration of Service-Learning in the courses ***Enterprise Communication for Society (C-COPR411) and Stakeholder Relations (C-COPR412)***, the students embodied the Lasallian mission by responding to real community needs through strategic, compassionate, and responsible communication and service.

Conducted for 50 identified beneficiaries from **Barangay Zone 1A, Dasmarias City**, MEDIAbetes addressed gaps in **health awareness, vision care, diabetes education, and media information literacy**. The initiative uniquely combined diabetes and eye health education with media literacy, empowering community members to discern accurate health information amid misinformation circulating on social media.



In partnership with the **Manila Diamond Lions Club**, the Service-Learning activity featured:

- A student-produced educational video linking diabetes to vision loss and addressing false health claims online
- Seminars on media and information literacy, diabetes awareness, and healthy lifestyle practices
- Free eye screening and distribution of reading glasses
- Distribution of informative brochures on diabetes prevention and eye care

Through MEDIAbetes, our Lasallian Communication students demonstrated how **communication becomes a form of service**, promoting truth, protecting life, and strengthening communities—especially among those most in need.

Animo La Salle! Communication for the common good, rooted in mission and service.

Sharing Hope Through Service and Solidarity This Christmas Season



The Lasallian Community Development Center (LCDC), in partnership with generous Lasallian donors, successfully carried out a Supplies Distribution Activity on December 18, 2025, benefiting its partner institutions: BJMP Dasmariñas (Male and Female Dormitories), Bahay Tuluyan, and Bukal ng Kapayapaan.

This initiative ensured that donated supplies—comprising essential food and hygiene items—were meaningfully utilized to support vulnerable communities during the holiday season. More than just providing goods, the activity strengthened partnerships and embodied the Lasallian values of faith, zeal for service, and communion in mission.

Through this collective effort, LCDC and its partners continue to promote dignity, well-being, and care for those most in need, reaffirming the university's commitment to service and solidarity.

CEAT Receives Data Center Equipment from YFC-Boneagle International Inc.



De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) has received a fully operational Prime Brand US Data Center Equipment from YFC-Boneagle International Inc., represented by its Country Director, Mr. Garfield Tseng. The donation supports the University's efforts to strengthen ICT education and enhance digital infrastructure.

Turned over to the College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology (CEAT) and received by Dean Ma. Estrella Natalie B. Pineda, MSManE, PIE, together with Engr. Emmanuel T. Longares, PECE, the equipment will be used for both instructional and institutional purposes to enhance hands-on learning, research, and practical training in data systems and engineering technologies.

YFC-Boneagle International Inc. formalized the donation as part of its commitment to supporting academic advancement and capacity-building in Philippine higher education. DLSU-D expresses its appreciation and commits to optimizing the equipment to enrich course delivery, industry-aligned training, and innovation-focused projects within CEAT.

Transforming Giving into Lifelong Impact: Building a Culture of Shared Stewardship at DLSU-D



On December 16, 2025, De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) through the Advancement and Alumni Relations Office (AARO) proudly welcomed Mrs. Kirtida Mekani, Director of CISTECH International (Singapore), for an exclusive learning session on "Transforming Giving into Lifelong Impact: Lessons on Resource Generation to Advance the Mission." Her visit served as a powerful reminder that fundraising is not confined to one office; everyone in the community plays a role in this effort. When the entire community embraces this responsibility, giving becomes a shared culture that drives transformation.

During her visit, Mrs. Mekani met with the DLSU-D administration and the Basic Education Division. She also visited Bahay Pag-asa Dasmarias, where she expressed her deep appreciation for the university's mission to cultivate leaders grounded in competence, compassion, and commitment. She emphasized that scholarships are the backbone of education, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal 4 (Quality Education). Mrs. Mekani encouraged the development of sustainable giving frameworks that connect mission with action, supporting Sustainable Development Goals 10 (Reduced Inequalities) and 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

Her insights on donor engagement, alumni involvement, and community-driven initiatives left a lasting impact. As we move forward, her message resonates: Let us build not just funds but futures; not just programs but people; not just institutions but a legacy of transformation, where generosity multiplies, leadership endures, and mission becomes movement.

DLSU-D IMPACT: “Industry Mechanism to Professional Access Through Career Transition”



On December 18, 2025, the Advancement and Alumni Relations Office (AARO) hosted a strategic meeting under the theme “DLSU-D IMPACT: Industry Mechanism to Professional Access Through Career Transition.” This initiative, part of the AARO’s 10-Point Agenda, reinforces the university’s commitment to ongoing collaboration with colleges in designing a structured framework that facilitates career pathways and enhances employment opportunities for students.

The session included the internship coordinators from the College of Business Administration and Accountancy (CBAA), focusing on bridging the gap from internship to employment and strengthening soft skills development. The insights shared during this discussion are vital for shaping an internship program that meets industry expectations and reflects the excellence of Lasallian education.

These efforts align with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), specifically SDG 4 (Quality Education), SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals). This alignment ensures that DLSU-D continues to prepare graduates for meaningful careers while promoting global partnerships and inclusive growth. It is expected that similar meetings will be organized with the remaining colleges to ensure a unified and impactful approach across the university.

LINKAGES AND SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

SIGNED MOU/MOA/Contract (6)

LOCAL (4)

- 1.) MOU with Brgy. San Mateo SK
- 2.) MOU with Kuya Center for Street Children, Inc.
- 3.) MOA with Mermier Children and Community Development Foundation
- 4.) MOA with Municipal Government of Naic

INTERNATIONAL (2):

- 1.) MOU with La Salle Ramon Llull University, Barcelona, Spain
- 2.) MOU with New Era University College, Malaysia

INBOUND FACULTY (1)

A.) Shinawatra University (1)

- 1.) A. K. Mahbubul Hye, PhD (Virtual)

OUTBOUND FACULTY (2)

A.) Hanoi National University of Education (2)

- 1.) Prof. Sharon Lubag
- 2.) Dr. Nelda Nacion

OUTBOUND STUDENT (3)

A.) Hanoi National University of Education (3)

- 1.) Ms. Patricia Betina Custodio
- 2.) Mr. Benedict Rodil
- 3.) Mr. Maverick Jhon Sendo

LASALLIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER REPORT

Program Reach

A. Community Development Program

Project/ Service	Number	Description
PaskoJuan 2025: A Christmas Bazaar of Hope	25	16 bazaaristas - MSMEs, Partner Institution, AGE, Concessionaire, Walk-In; 9 bazaaristas - Major Sponsors
Batang LIGTAS impact Report	1,544	Children from partner communities
	842	parents/caregivers from partner communities reached through awareness and education programs
	110	at-risk households from partner communities supported with livelihood and social protection
	92	Participants from partner communities trained on Public Investment in Children
	10	Partner barangays
	7	Child-Led Groups



BLOOD UNITS PROVIDED: 7 blood units

NUMBER OF PATIENTS: 3 patients

TOTAL BLOOD UNITS PROVIDED: 40 blood units (as of November 27, 2025)

LCDC REPORT

B. Quality Education through Service and Transformation

1. Service-Learning

S-L Activities	Number	Description
MEDIAbetes: Communicating Truth, Caring for Life, Serving Communities by 4th Year AB Communication students from the Public Relations track from the College of Liberal Arts and Communication (CLAC)	50	Community members from Brgy. Zone IA, Dasmariñas City, Cavite
LIKHA 2025: Kislap ng Kultura at Malikhaing Diwa by 4th Year Marketing students from the College of Business Administration and Accountancy (CBAA)	1	MSME endorsed by Office of the Provincial Cooperative Development Officer (OPCDO)
Empowering Cooperative through Financial Literacy by 3rd and 4th year Accountancy Students enrolled in Accounting for Government and Not-for-Profit organizations (NPOs)	32	Cooperative members in Cavite

2. College Extension

Distribution	Number	Description
College of Professional and Graduate Studies (CPGS) Outreach Activity at Mermier Children and Community Development Foundation, Inc. by Master's and Doctorate students enrolled in the St. John Baptist De La Salle	230	children of Mermier Children and Community Development Foundation, Inc.

LCDC REPORT

RESOURCE GENERATION

A. PaskoJuan 2025: A Christmas Bazaar of Hope

1. Generated Fund:

Distribution	Amount
LCDC Trust Fund - 60%	Php 61,224.20
One La Salle Scholarship Fund - 20%	Php 20,474.73
Institutional Christmas Celebration- 20%	Php 20,474.73
TOTAL	Php 102,373.66

2. Participants

Bazaaristas	Number of Participants
MSMEs, Partner Institution, AGE, Concessionaire, Walk-In	16
Major Sponsors	9
TOTAL Participants	25

RESOURCE GENERATION REPORT

Dec 2025	Cash	In-Kind	Total
Bahay Pag-Asa		₱ 220,550.00	₱ 220,550.00
DLSU-D Merchandise	₱ 16,250.00		₱ 16,250.00
LCDC Pasko Juan Bazaar	₱ 102,373.66		₱ 102,373.66
Crowd Funding Activity - Pasko Juan 2025	₱ 249,500.00	₱ 582,624.75	₱ 832,124.75
Lasallian SPOON Program (CLAC)	₱ 3,900.00		₱ 3,900.00
Total	₱ 372,023.66	₱ 803,174.75	₱ 1,175,198.41

In December 2025, DLSU-Dasmariñas generated a total of ₱1,175,198.41 in donations through various cash and in-kind initiatives that supported its mission-driven programs and partner communities.

Significant in-kind support amounting to ₱220,550.00 was extended to Bahay Pag-Asa, reflecting the community's continued commitment to social welfare and restorative care. Meanwhile, fundraising efforts from DLSU-D Merchandise and the LCDC Pasko Juan Bazaar yielded ₱16,250.00 and ₱102,373.66, respectively, showcasing active community participation during the holiday season.

The Crowdfunding Activity - Pasko Juan 2025 emerged as the largest contributor, generating ₱832,124.75, composed of ₱249,500.00 in cash donations and ₱582,624.75 in in-kind contributions. This initiative highlighted the power of collective generosity and digital engagement in advancing community-centered programs. Additional support was provided through the Lasallian SPOON Program (CLAC), which raised ₱3,900.00 in cash contributions.

Overall, December 2025 fundraising efforts totaled ₱372,023.66 in cash and ₱803,174.75 in in-kind donations, underscoring the strong culture of giving and solidarity within the Lasallian community and its partners.



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