



Muni- Muni

The Provost Chronicle



Muni-muni: The Provost Chronicle is the quarterly report from the Office of the Provost, dedicated to the entire academic community. The newsletter's name—derived from the Tagalog word for deep reflection and contemplation—perfectly captures its mission: to provide intentional, focused insight. Each issue is designed to move beyond simple updates, delivering curated data, strategic reports, and analytical summaries generated by the Academic Division.



Academics outlines strategic initiatives for SY 2025–2026

De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) is setting a bold course for the School Year 2025–2026 through a comprehensive strategic initiative led by the Academics Division. With a focus on academic excellence, institutional growth, regulatory compliance, and global relevance, the university aims to elevate its educational standards and institutional standing.

At the heart of this initiative is a commitment to achieving full compliance with Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Memorandum Orders (CMOs) across all programs and institutional requirements. This move is expected to enhance the university's capacity to earn prestigious recognitions such as Center of Excellence (COE) and Center of Development (COD) designations.

To support this goal, DLSU-D began the academic year with department-level planning workshops centered on reviewing and discussing program CMOs. The university also plans to integrate the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals into its curricula and syllabi, reinforcing its dedication to global citizenship and sustainability.

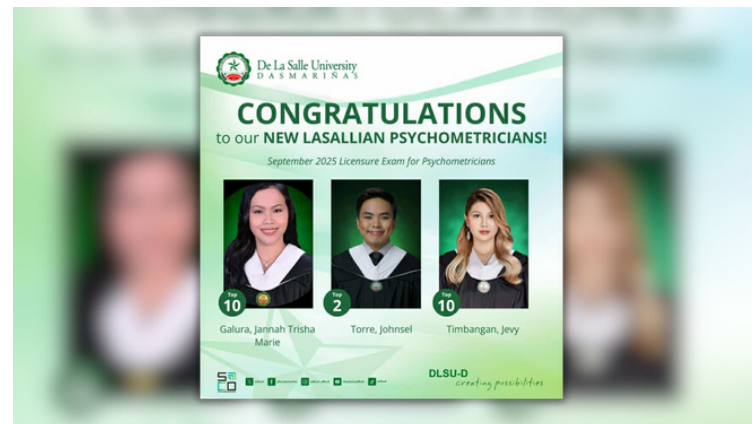
Faculty engagement is a key pillar of the strategy. The university will ensure full utilization of Schoolbook, its Learning Management System (LMS), and explore onsite course delivery for board exam-related programs. Faculty members are also encouraged to increase their involvement in research, publication, and innovation, particularly through the University Research Office and the Cavite Studies Center.

In pursuit of a cutting-edge teaching force, faculty development programs will be redesigned. Meanwhile, student support services will be enhanced to promote well-being, academic success, and personal development from enrollment through employment.

The university will also expand its program-based extension and service-learning activities to deepen community impact.

Internationalization remains a priority, with efforts to cultivate globally competent faculty and students through active participation in global opportunities. DLSU-D is also targeting multiple accreditations and recognitions, including CHED Autonomous/Deregulated Status, AUN-QA program accreditation, ISO certification, CHED-ISA Recognition, PAASCU accreditations, and inclusion in thematic-based rankings such as THE, WURI, AUN-HPN, and UI GreenMetric.

This strategic initiative marks a "ground-zero" effort for the university, aligning all departments and programs with the rigorous standards of accrediting and ranking bodies. By adhering to criteria set by CHED, PAASCU, ISO, and other respected organizations, DLSU-D reaffirms its commitment to delivering quality education and achieving institutional maturity.



DLSU-D strengthens academic policies to boost 2025 Board Exam performance

De La Salle University-Dasmariñas has released its 2025 board exam results, showing strong performance in most programs. Education, Criminology, Psychometrician, Architecture, Civil, Electronics, and Mechanical Engineering all scored above the national passing rates.

However, Accountancy, Electrical Engineering, and Sanitary Engineering fell below national averages. The university believes this may be due to relaxed retention policies during the pandemic.

To improve future results, DLSU-D is set to strictly enforce updated retention policies, raise admission standards through higher Stanine scores, strengthen review programs and monitor student progress, and revamp academic advising, with associate deans leading the effort.



DLSU-D begins application for CHED Autonomous Status

De La Salle University-Dasmariñas has officially started its application for CHED Autonomous Status, aiming to gain greater academic freedom and national recognition.

The process began with a kick-off meeting on August 13, followed by a full institutional pre-assessment on August 28 to review systems and gather required documents. CHED evaluates schools based on three areas: Program Excellence (30 points), Instruction and Community Engagement (40 points), and Institutional Quality (30 points). A score of 80 qualifies for autonomous status; DLSU-D projects a score of 91.

The university submitted its letter of intent to the CHED Regional Office on September 5. A consultation with CHED was set for September 27, and final documents will be completed by October. The final submission has been set for November 10 or earlier.

If granted, autonomous status will allow DLSU-D to open new programs, and boost its reputation. This move reflects the university's commitment to continuous growth and academic leadership.

Provost announces easier transition to Med School for DLSU-D Biology Students

DLSU-D Medical Biology students now have a direct and significantly eased pathway into the De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences Institute (DLSMHSI), eliminating several traditional application hurdles.

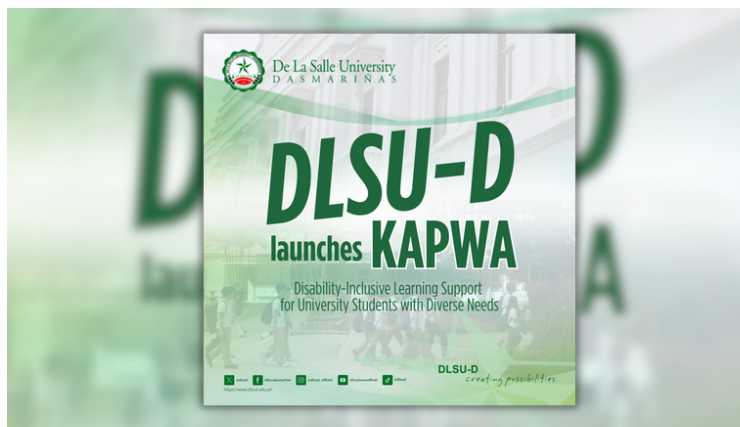
The new compressed program admission approach was finalized following a meeting between DLSU-D Provost Dr. George Francisco and DLSMHSI's Dr. Naomi de Aro.

The agreement creates a more seamless transition for aspiring Lasallian doctors by offering a highly streamlined admission process.



Qualified DLSU-D students will benefit from reserved admission slots and the waiving of both the general admissions exam and personal interviews. Furthermore, the DLSU-D Biology Program will handle the documentation, submitting all necessary recommendations directly to DLSMHSI on the students' behalf.

Students must still achieve the minimum required NMAT passing score to be eligible for this expedited entry. This strategic partnership underscores the commitment of both institutions to fostering a smoother, faster path for future medical professionals.



DLSU-D launches KAPWA

De La Salle University-Dasmariñas has taken a bold step toward equity and inclusion with the launch of KAPWA: Disability-Inclusive Learning Support for University Students with Diverse Needs, a pioneering initiative designed to break barriers and create a campus where every student can thrive. KAPWA is a deeply rooted Filipino cultural value that emphasizes interconnectedness and a shared identity.

Spearheaded by the Office of the Provost under the leadership of Dr. George Francisco, and developed by Dr. Royce Salva of the College of Education, the program represents a landmark commitment to reimagining higher education through accessibility, empowerment, and compassion.

KAPWA is anchored on six key pillars: Physical Accessibility, Health and Wellness, Assistive Technology, Community Awareness, Instructional and Academic Support, and Administrative Policies and Services. Each pillar is supported by strategic goals and timelines to ensure tangible and measurable progress.

By October 2025, DLSU-D will review its accessibility policies to guarantee barrier-free infrastructure. By November 2025, disability-sensitive health and wellness services will be fully in place, followed by the rollout of accessible digital platforms and assistive technology training by early 2026.

Later phases will focus on fostering a culture of inclusion through awareness campaigns (February 2026), embedding inclusive pedagogy in faculty training (March–April 2026), and enacting comprehensive policies that institutionalize long-term disability support. This holistic framework reflects the Lasallian mission of faith, service, and communion, ensuring that no student is left behind. More than just a program, KAPWA is a movement—affirming that every learner, regardless of ability, deserves the tools, environment, and support to succeed.

With KAPWA, DLSU-D is not simply promoting accessibility—it is reshaping the future of inclusive education in the Philippines.



DLSU-D and DLSMHSI Libraries Launch Joint Access Policy

Starting this Second Semester SY 25-26, De La Salle University-Dasmariñas (DLSU-D) and De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences Institute (DLSMHSI) will officially implement a new library partnership, significantly expanding academic resources for students.

The new policy grants students from both institutions daily access to the library facilities of the partner school. This means DLSU-D students can utilize the DLSMHSI library, and vice-versa, to support their research and academic needs.

To ensure proper usage and control, students must first secure a referral slip from their respective home institution's library before visiting the partner campus. This measure is in place to manage facility traffic and verify student credentials.

The partnership represents a major step in resource sharing within the Lasallian community, offering students a broader collection of materials and specialized study areas right at the start of the new term.

Diwa't Gunita sa Buwan ng mga Guro: Alay sa mga Gurong Lasalyano

ni Christian George Francisco

Tuwing kailan ka inaalala?
Tuwing kailan ka may halaga?
Tuwing kailan ka dinadakila?
Tuwing kailan masasabing sapat ka?

Walang hanggan ang alaala
Lantaran o sa karimlan man ito ay munting paalala
Isa, dalawa, o higit pa sa tatlong dekada
Ikinararangal ka ng eskuwela.

Walang hanggan ang pagpapahalaga
Sa husay at malasakit na iyong ipinakikita
May mga hamon mang kinakabaka
Nilayag mo ito na kami'y iyong kasama.

Walang hanggan ang pagdakila
Sa ambag mong busilak pa sa kusa
Sinagwan mong mga utak ay ginugunita
Ngayo'y tinatanghal at hitik sa bunga.

Gurong Lasalyano, higit ka pa sa sapat
Iniluwal ka mang payak subalit pinanday na maging tapat
Ika'y inaalala! Ika'y mahalaga! Ika'y dinadakila!
Ika'y haligi at espasyong sapat.

MALIGAYANG BUWAN NG MGA GURO!

Mensabeng tula mula sa Tanggapan ng Provost para sa mga guro ng Pamantasang De La Salle-Dasmariñas sa pagdiriwang ng Buwan ng mga Guro sa taong 2025.

