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In Focus: The UPLB Alumni Center



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The UP Los Baños Alumni Center building located at Domingo Lantican Avenue can be considered a memorial to Former Regent Nelia T. Gonzalez who was the driving force in raising funds for its construction.

Conceived in 1975 and formalized through a Memorandum of Understanding on November 28, 1975 between the University led then by Chancellor Abelardo G. Samonte and presidents of the UP College of Agriculture Alumni Association (UPCAAA) and College of Forestry Alumni Association, respectively, the Alumni Center was constructed based on the plans mutually agreed by the parties.

Stated in the MOU was for the University to provide the site for the center as well as to shoulder half of the total construction cost. Based on this stipulation, the University identified the site where the residence of the late Bienvenido Gonzalez, the first agriculture alumnus to become dean and UP president, once stood. Further, the University shouldered half of the construction cost for the initial phase of the project.

On October 10, 1977, the Alumni Center was inaugurated with UPCA AAA being the center's administrator. Office spaces were rented out to various organizations, but one of the major occupants of the building was the then Office of Alumni Affairs (now Office of Alumni Relations) which also acted as secretariat of the UPLBAA until 1996.

When the building was donated to UPLB, it also served as offices of different units like the Office of Student Affairs (when the Student Union building got burned down); the UP Open University; and offices concerned with alumni like the UPCA AAA.

UPLB saw the need to renovate the Alumni Center. Thus, on February 4, 2010, UPLB awarded the project "Improvement of Alumni

Center building (Ground Floor and Basement) Phase 1," to the contractor E.B.A Construction through public bidding with the contract price of P9,165.028.77.

The Center is composed of office rooms, now being occupied by the Office of Alumni Relations (OAR), the UPLB Alumni Association, Inc. (UPLBAA), seven hostel rooms for rent, and a conference room.

The rehabilitated UPLB Alumni Center was blessed on January 18, 2011 before it was occupied by the staff of OAR. The inauguration of the Center was held on March 7, 2011 in time for the 102nd Foundation Day celebration of UPLB.

Renaming of Alumni Center to Nelia T. Gonzalez Hall

Regent Gonzalez' works as president for a decade of the alumni association of the College of Agriculture back in 1970s and for the establishment of a federation of all college alumni associations known as UPLB Alumni Association (UPLBAA) in 1982 where she was elected its first president, were exemplary.

She was instrumental in the construction of the imposing Carillon Tower in Los Baños named Rizal Centenary Carillon, which was inaugurated by President Fidel V. Ramos on August 23, 1997. Likewise, she led the inauguration of "Ani", a modern and robust interpretation of UP's first 100 years, by artist Sandra Torrijos on January 17, 2010 in UPLB.

The love of Regent Gonzalez for her alma mater cannot be quantified. She is a selfless, vibrant leader, organizer, and fund raiser for many civic, charitable, and philanthropic organizations serving as director, treasurer, officer, and fund raiser of many social, civic, religious, political, and educational organizations. Foremost among

these was her being one of the Council of Advisers of UPLBAA.

Her engagements in social causes and philanthropy are not only numerous and long running, but they are also so varied, reflecting her broad and comprehensive interests and life commitments.

Regent Gonzalez as social entrepreneur combines many roles: manager, technologist, businesswoman, technocrat, administrator. But her influence and impact to society lies in her being all these and more. In addition to her role as an agriculturist, she is also a friend, dedicated alumna, and public servant. Perhaps, what is most remarkable of all is that Nelia T. Gonzalez carries her role with exquisite grace and charm, truly a woman of substance.

The Ad Hoc Committee for the Renaming of the Alumni Center Building into the Nelia T. Gonzalez Hall under the chairmanship of Alumni Relations Director Eileen Lorena M. Mamino proposes the renaming of the UPLB Alumni Center into the Nelia T. Gonzalez Hall based on UP Naming Rights Policy which recognizes “persons who have supported the University through either distinguished effort of substantial financial endowment.” The Committee was formed on June 21, 2022 with the prodding of Chancellor Jose V. Camacho Jr. And the year 2023 marks the 41st foundation year of the UPLBAA and the opportune time to honor the memory and legacy of its founding

president, Nelia T. Gonzalez, who harnessed the strength of the alumni in supporting the University and mobilizing its alumni for a common cause.

Renaming Ceremony

UPLB constituents led by no less than UP President Angelo Jimenez and UPLB Chancellor Jose V. Camacho Jr. participated in the renaming ceremony on June 16, 2023.

Senator Cynthia Villar and former UP President Danilo Concepcion, officers and members of the UPLBAA, alumni, and UPLB staff were also in attendance as well as close relatives of the Gonzaleses. Mr. Alfredo T. Gonzalez, on behalf of his mother, conveyed their family’s profound appreciation for the recognition bestowed upon her.

Dr. Mamino articulated her gratitude and shared insightful reflections on Gonzalez’ enduring legacy.

Future proofing the building

In the pipeline, the project “Rehabilitation of Student-Industry-Alumni Hall” was approved in 2021 with a budget of P12M. The said project will support the various activities of the current UPLB administration’s goal of building a future-proof University.

Photo by UPLB Office of Public Relations



Family of Nelia T. Gonzalez with President Angelo Jimenez and Chancellor Jose Camacho Jr.

Global Connections: Alumni Relations goes international to strengthen linkages

The Alumni Relations team continues its quest in reaching alums!

The Organizing Chapters of Alumni Associations from Regions of Domestic and International Scenes (ORCHARDS) project aims to reconnect and re-establish the relationship of the University with our alums. Tapping the alum network will open opportunities for collaborations on creating programs, projects, and activities. At the same time, OAR can verify the alums' information in the database to keep the communication with them.

As the OAR and the UPLBAA maintain their partnership in achieving and implementing the ORCHARDS project, the team visited alums based outside the Philippines, in Texas, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and Thailand.



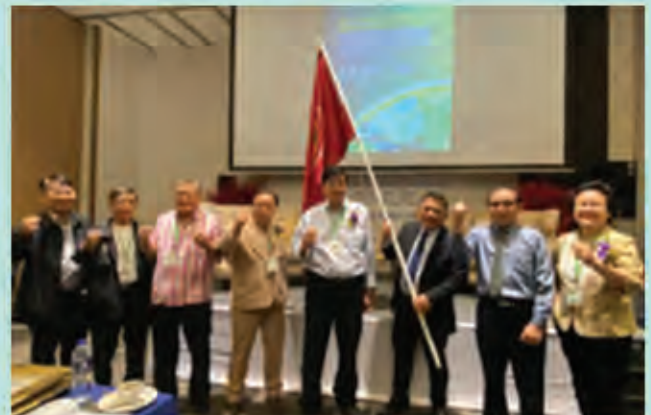
UPLB alum gather at an alum's home located in League City, Texas, USA held on 28 June 2023 with UPLBAA President Mauro W. Barradas and OAR Director Eileen Lorena M. Mamino.



UP Alumni Association Greater Los Angeles (UPAAGLA) hosted the alums' gathering at Los Angeles, California USA held on 1 July 2023. They welcomed UPLBAA President Barradas and OAR Director Mamino.



Pres. Barradas and Dir. Mamino continue to visit alums who are based in Las Vegas, USA before going back to the Philippines.



UPLBAA Pres. Barradas, UPLBAA Vice Pres. & CAFSAA Pres. Collado join the UPLB alums from Thailand during the 4th ASEAN Agriculture University Network (AAUN) International Conference and UPLB Alumni Forum held on 15-16 July 2023 in Chiangmai.



Photo by UPLB Office of Public Relations

UPLB alums and stakeholders discuss ways to revitalize PH

“UPLB is eager to see how we can pool our diverse knowledge, experience, and resources together and create a roadmap toward an inclusive and sustainable Philippine sugarcane industry.”

Chancellor Camacho said this in his opening remarks at the UPLB-Alumni-Community-Industry Stakeholders Summit on Sept. 22 at the Rural Economic Development and Renewable Energy Center or REDREC Auditorium.

The summit, organized and sponsored by UPLB through the Office of Alumni Relations, had the theme “Multidimensional Analysis for a Revitalized Philippine Sugarcane Industry: Charting the Path Forward.”

Chancellor Camacho urged the participants to maximize their opportunity to engage the guest speakers and share experiences and best practices.

The summit assessed the multidimensional nature of the industry, policy issues, pricing, trade liberalization, best practices in production, breeding, weed management, use of UPLB’s biofertilizers, mechanization, human resource development, and the bioethanol industry.

The various personalities who attended the event exchanged experiences and views on concerns in the sugar industry.

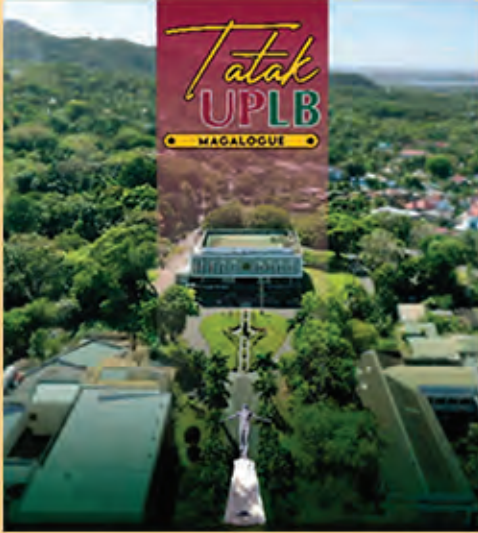
These included Pablito S. Sandoval, Jr., a sugarcane planter; Fernando H. Corpuz, former R&D manager of the Sugar Regulatory Administration; and Nilo A. Florcruz, former vice president of Victorias Milling Co., Inc.

Resource persons from the academe were Jaymee A. Cabangbang, a faculty member at

the College of Economics and Management; Dr. Rodrigo B. Badayos, a retired faculty member at the College of Agriculture and Food Science (CAFS) and former director-general of the Philippine Sugar Industry; Dr. Gil L. Magsino, former director of the National Crop Protection Center; Dr. Lilia M. Fernando-Corpuz, associate dean for research and extension of CAFS; Dr. Virginia M. Padilla, a former researcher at the National Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (BIOTECH); Julieta A. Anarna, a researcher at BIOTECH; Dr. Antonio G. Lalusin, a faculty member at CAFS; Dr. Victor A. Rodulfo, Jr., an engineer at the Center of Agri-Fisheries and Biosystems Mechanization of the College of Engineering and Agro-Industrial Technology (CEAT); Dr. Elpidio M. Agbisit, Jr., dean of CAFS; and Dr. Rex B. Demafelis, a faculty member at CEAT and former UPLB Vice Chancellor for Research and Extension.

Prime movers of the event were UPLBAA President Mauro W. Barradas and the president of the UPLB CAFS Alumni Association, Dr. Cristino M. Collado.

The roadmap developed during the summit aimed to give policymakers and the government a better understanding of how to maximize opportunities in the sugar industry. *(Louise Chris Mariane L. Dalag)*



Tatak UPLB Magalogue off the press

Tatak UPLB Magalogue, a joint project of OAR and UPLBAA, is a compilation of narratives on the outstanding achievements of UPLB alums whose professional journey brings out the best of what UP education is all about: Honor and Excellence.

Its first edition features 148 alumni in 338 pages. The alums in this magalogue are grouped according to the following five categories: Academe (59), Industry (16), Entrepreneur (18), Public Service (37), and Posthumous (18).

The copy is available at PhP 1,500 at the UPLB Techno Hub and One-Stop shop (THOSS).

ALUM Projects & Donations

Photo by UPLBOAR

UPLB THOSS

The Department of Agriculture - Bureau of Agricultural Research funded Techno Hub and One-Stop Shop (THOSS) was re-opened on July 22, 2022, after it was initially launched on March 4 and 7, 2022 as the home of UPLB AGORA.

THOSS was established to showcase different innovations, inventions, and programs to cultivate and develop. Aside from being a space to sell products, it provides research and technical assistance to micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs). It offers various products from UPLB's different research centers and units.

UPLBAA in collaboration with the UPLB Business Affairs Office, and the Department of Trade and Industry Laguna organized the MSME Boot Camp 2023: Entrepreneurship and Packaging Design Mentorship Program for Suppliers of One Town, One Product on May 4-5, 2023.

The Office of Alumni Relations (OAR) helps the UPLB Alumni Association (UPLBAA) in showcasing the UPLB alumni products through THOSS. OAR also assists some guests with their UPLBAA Alumni ID and car sticker applications and purchase of UPLB merchandise.

Photo by UPLB Office of Public Relations



Emergency Room Extension Facility (EREF)

UP Class 1971 and the UP Medical Alumni Society in America (UPMASA) donated funds (PhP 2.2 million) to construct the University Health Service-Emergency Room Extension Facility (UHS-EREF) with the help of the UPLB Alumni Association. After its inauguration on March 4, 2022, EREF was turned over to UPLB on March 21, 2022.

The facility is intended to prevent cross-infection among the patients who need immediate intervention while awaiting triage. It is equipped with four hospital beds, two stretcher beds, two wheelchairs, one automated external defibrillator, one cardiac monitor, two air conditioning units, and two exhaust fans.

Since its launching, the EREF has served a total of 8,596 patients, 677 of which are COVID-19 related cases.

UPLB Class 1971 President Rosalinda M. Lapitan thanked the donors for helping them complete the UHS-EREF roof and ramp. She also announced their new project entitled “Dra. Banzon Memorial Balikbayan Box Project for UHS” which aims to continuously solicit contributions of hospital supplies and equipment for UHS from alumni based abroad. Likewise, another project of Class 1971, the Therapeutic Garden just beside the EREF, continues to provide respite to patients, and the public in general.

UHS Heart Station

The Class of 1972 led by Mr. Constante U. Adalla donated funds (PhP 2 million) for the development of the UHS Heart Station. Its inauguration and turnover to UPLB was held on February 14, 2023, a fitting commemoration of Valentine’s Day.

The Heart Station renders service for 2D echocardiogram. This is the ultrasound of the heart that can evaluate the cardiac status of a patient to check for heart failure and risk factors against heart attack. The apparatus can also check for the following: 1) Carotid Duplex- to check for occlusion of the blood vessels going to the brain to assess for impending stroke; 2) Duplex Scan for arteries and veins of the legs: to check for occlusion or thrombosis in the legs. Elderly patients usually have leg edema as manifested by thrombus in the legs. Immediate intervention should be done to improve the blood supply to the legs; and 3) ECG to check the heart for ischemic conditions or the lack of oxygen going to the heart.

Drs. Marc Denver Tiongson-interventional cardiologist, Alfonso Gutierrez-vascular medicine specialist, and David Jonathan Santos-adult cardiology, serve as consultants of UHS.

UHS Medical Director Jessie Imelda Foronda-Walde welcomed the generous donations of UPLB Alumni to UHS and honored them through a Donors Wall which can be seen at the Medical Arts Building and at the Main Building of UHS.

UPLB Community Center

Mayor Arlene Arcillas (BS Biology ‘93) of Sta. Rosa, Laguna donated funds to construct a community hub on the other side of the road at the back of the Old Humanities building. A groundbreaking ceremony was held on April 18, 2023.



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ALUM Activities

These are the activities where OAR assisted or organized the preparation and coordination throughout the year.



Natatanging Pasasalamat PDLC!
3 February 2023 | Charles Fuller Baker Hall



Sunsets @ Makiling: The Philippine Philharmonic Orchestra
3 February 2023 | EB Copeland Gymnasium



Rural and Agricultural Development (RAD) workshop
CEM Alumni Foundation, Inc. (CEMAFI)
24 February 2023 | NTG Conference Room



TETADA Kalimasada LATFIL Los Baños
25 February 2023 | EB Copeland Gymnasium



CAMP meeting
18 March 2023 | NTG Conference Room



UPLBAA & UPLBAA Mindoro Chapter meeting
20 March 2023 | NTG Conference Room



Justice League Sportsfest
1 April 2023 | EB Copeland Gymnasium



Nelia T. Gonzalez Renaming Ceremony
16 June 2023 | NTG Hall



114th Founding Anniversary & 1st CAFS Alumni Homecoming Ball
16 June 2023 | Charles Fuller Baker Hall



Mariano Marcos State University Benchmarking
11 August 2023 | NTG Hall



UP Alumni Council Meeting
18 August 2023 | Bahay ng Alumni, Quezon City



UP Alumni Association Chapters' Meeting
18 August 2023 | Bahay ng Alumni, Quezon City



UPLB-Alumni-Community-Industry Stakeholders Summit
22 September 2023 | UPLB REDREC Auditorium



65th Gamma Sigma Scorpions Founding Anniversary
23 September 2023 | Charles Fuller Baker Hall



105th UPLB Loyalty Day Parade
8 October 2023 | DL Umali Hall



105th UPLB Loyalty Day Luncheon Salu-salo
8 October 2023 | Seniors' Social Garden



105th UPLBAA Turnover Ceremony
8 October 2023 | Seniors' Social Garden



105th UPLBAA Awarding Ceremony
8 October 2023 | Charles Fuller Baker Hall

UPLB Alumni Awardees

UP Gawad Oblation Awardees

UP President Danilo Concepcion and UP Vice President for Public Affairs Elena Pernia handed specially designed medals to the awardees or their representatives in a dinner ceremony at Ang Bahay ng Alumni, UP Diliman, Quezon City, on January 17, 2023.

Of the 38 individuals and institutions, two UPLB alumni were awarded where they “readily responded to the needs of the University, helping it to: expand services to internal and external publics, surmount and act on the pandemic and disasters; construct, upgrade, and preserve facilities; acquire equipment; manage utilities; and, support academic, artistic, and athletic excellence.”

Francis C. Laurel

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1969 *magna cum laude*
YKK Philippines and Toyota Batangas City and Camarines Sur



Ronald R. Mascariñas

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1982
Bounty Agro Ventures I

114th UPLB Foundation Awardees

In celebrating UPLB's 114th Founding Anniversary on March 6, UPLB recognized 31 outstanding personnel of UPLB. Of the 31 awardees, 21 UPLB alums were awarded.



Mr. Mark Kevin L. Movillon

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy 2013

Outstanding Administrative Personnel



Dr. Priscila Caraan-Dolom

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1980,
Master of Science in Forestry 1986,
Doctor of Philosophy in Forestry 2001

Outstanding Extension Personnel



Dr. Marilyn Borja-Brown

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1980
Master of Science in Plant Pathology 1986
Doctor of Philosophy in Plant Pathology 1994

**Outstanding Researcher
(Senior Faculty, Natural Sciences)**



Ms. Fides Marciana Zipagan-Tambalo

Bachelor of Science in Biology 1988

**Outstanding Researcher
(Senior REPS, Natural Sciences)**



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Dr. Margaret Meorada-Calderon

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1984
Master of Science in Forestry 1990
Doctor of Philosophy in Forestry 1996

**Outstanding Researcher
(Senior Faculty, Social Sciences)**



Ms. Krissah Marga B. Taganas

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy 2016

CAS Outstanding Teacher 2022



Mr. Cris R. Lanzaderas

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Arts 2010

CAS Outstanding Teacher 2020



Engr. Elvin D. Dulce

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering 2010

CEAT Outstanding Teacher 2021



Engr. Maria Victoria Migo-Sumagang

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering 2008, *magna cum laude*
Master of Science in Chemical Engineering 2019

CEAT Outstanding Teacher 2021



Dr. Veronica Papa-Migo

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Chemistry 1980

Master of Science in Soil Science 1986

Doctor of Philosophy Agricultural Chemistry 1994

CEAT Outstanding Teacher 2021



Dr. Manolito E. Bambase

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering 1998

CEAT Outstanding Teacher 2022



Engr. Melvin C. Ilang-Ilang

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering 2013

CEAT Outstanding Teacher 2022



Dr. Maria Larissa Lelu Pesimo-Gata[†]

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1994

Master of Science in Forestry 1998

CFNR Outstanding Teacher 2020



Mr. Pastor L. Malabrigo Jr.

Certificate in Forestry 1992

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1995

Master of Science in Forestry 2001

CFNR Outstanding Teacher 2020



Dr. Rogelio T. Andrada II

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1997
Master of Science in Forestry 2002

CFNR Outstanding Teacher 2020



Mr. Bates M. Bathan

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Engineering 2008 *cum laude*
Master of Science in Agricultural Engineering 2017

CEM Outstanding Teacher 2020



Ms. Melissa Payawal-Ferido

Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 1989
Master of Science in Family Resource Management 2002

CHE Outstanding Teacher 2021



Ms. Aiza Kris M. Bernardo

Bachelor of Science in Nutrition 2008
Master of Science in Applied Nutrition 2019

CHE Outstanding Teacher 2021



Mr. Dhino B. Geges

Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 2007
Master in Development Management and Governance 2012

CHE Outstanding Teacher 2021



Ms. Christine Joyce Betia-Mendoza[†]

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics 2006 *cum laude*

CHE Outstanding Teacher 2021



Ms. Sarah Jen C. Paccarangan

Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 2005

Master in Public Affairs in Educational Management 2014

CHE Outstanding Teacher 2022

UPAA Awardees

The UPAA Alumni Awards recognizes UP graduates with exceptional achievements in their fields, careers or vocations. Of the 38 awardees, 11 UPLB alums were recognized during the Awarding Ceremony held on August 19 at the Bahay ng Alumni in UP Diliman



Dr. Arsenio M. Balisacan

Master of Science in Agricultural Economics 1982

Most Distinguished Alumnus



Dr. Manuel Peter Paul C. Jorge II

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry 1979 *magna cum laude*

**Distinguished Alumni Awardee in
Empowerment Through Health Education**



Dr. Juan Carlos T. Gonzalez
Bachelor of Science in Zoology 1992
Master of Science in Zoology 1997

Distinguished Alumni Awardee in Science and Technology



Dr. Victor B. Ella
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Engineering 1982

**Distinguished Alumni Awardee in
Soil & Water Resources Management**



Dr. Manuel L. Logroño
Master of Science in Agronomy 1984

**Distinguished Alumni Awardee
in Enterprise Development and Corporate Governance**



Mr. Zaldy B. Patron
Bachelor of Science in Economics 1990

Distinguished Alumni Awardee in Foreign Service



Mr. Floro R. Francisco
Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 1980

Distinguished Alumni Awardee in International Labor Relations



Dr. Imelda O. Degay

Doctor of Philosophy in Nutrition 2016

Distinguished Alumni Awardee in Nutrition Education



Dr. Milagrosa Martinez-Goss

Doctor of Philosophy in Botany 1976

Distinguished Alumni Awardee in Science and Technology



Dr. Maria Asuncion A. Silvestre

Bachelor of Science in Zoology 1978 *magne cum laude*

**Distinguished Alumni Awardee in Public Health Promotion
(Newborn Care)**



Dr. Gerry A. Camer

Master of Science in Veterinary Medicine 1994

Distinguished Alumni Awardee in Science and Technology

UPLBAA Awardees

70 UPLB Alumni were recognized during the 105th Loyalty Day and 2023 Alumni Homecoming held on October 9 at the Charles Fuller Baker Hall.

UPLB Alumni Association Presidential Award

UPLB Alumni Association Presidential Award is awarded to an alumni with highly remarkable and exemplary achievements and contributions in his or her respective field.



Hon. Arlene B. Arcillas

Bachelor of Science in Biology 1993

Nelia T. Gonzalez Alumni Service Awardee

This award is named after one of the most distinguished UPLB Alumni who has served the association as President for 13 years. It is given to an alumna of UPLB for outstanding services in furthering the cause of the alumni of the university.



Dr. Ruben L. Villareal

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1960

Master of Science in Agronomy 1963

The Outstanding UPLB Alumni Awardees



Ms. Julieta R. Abellar-Anarna

Certificate in Forestry 1978

Master of Science in Forestry:

Silviculture and Forest Influences 2004



Dr. Benildo G. Delos Reyes

Bachelor of Science in Biology 1985

Master of Science in Genetics 1993



Dr. Larry N. Digal

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1985 *cum laude*



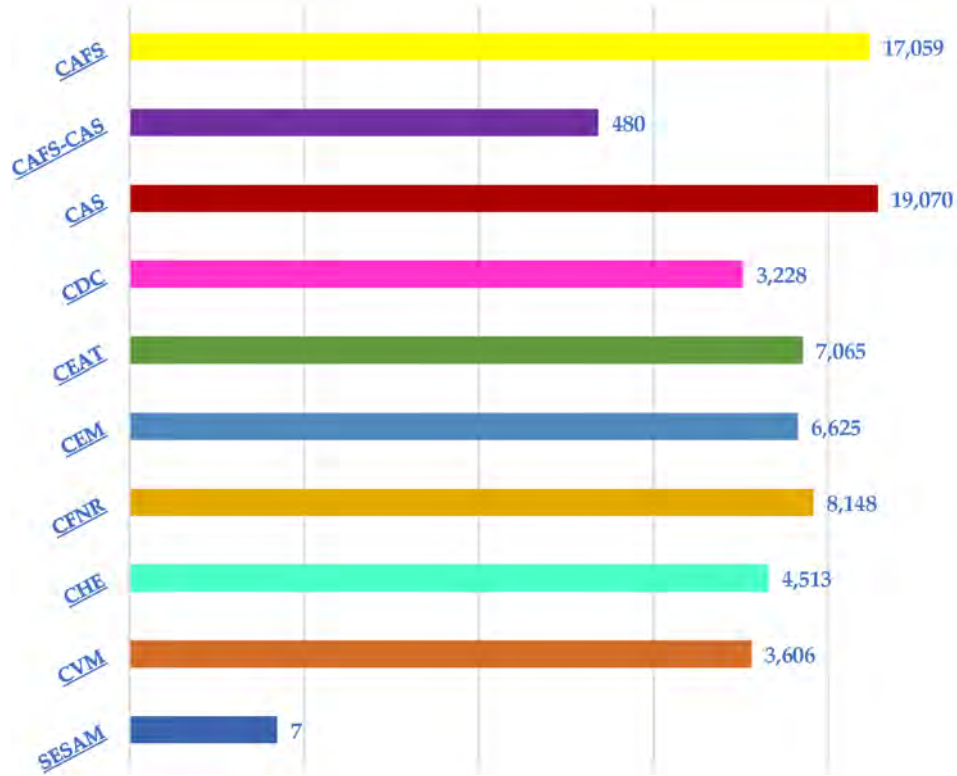
Mr. Juan Victor I. Hernandez

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics 1996

Total UPLB Alumni (1911-2023): 74, 940

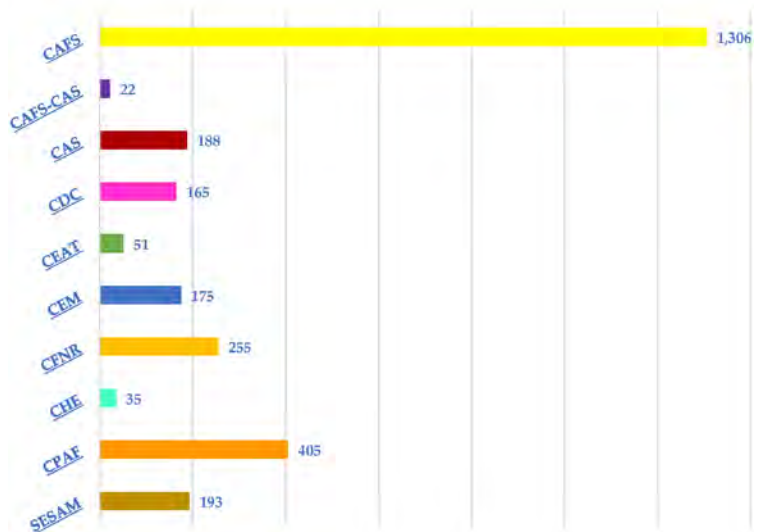
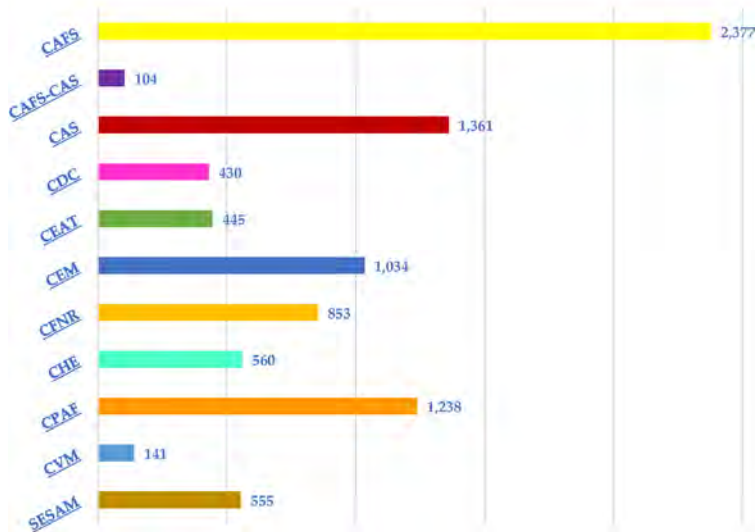
Alumni by College

Undergraduate Degree: 69,801



Masters Degree: 9,098

Doctorate Degree: 2,795



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29,436 total views



16,192 total active users



52,799 total event count



65.8% are unspecified
19.7% are women
14.5% are men



2,310 total views



20 new subscribers



more than 118 hrs total watch time



68% are men
32% are women



1,110 new page followers



513 new page likes



reached 4,046,074 profiles



62% are women
38% are men

**data as of 31 December 2023*



Dr. Corazon E. Lumbera-Abansi

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics 1980
Master of Science in Agricultural Economics 1989
Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural Economics 1998



Hon. Ruth B. Mariano-Hernandez

Bachelor of Science in Biology 1994



Dr. Esther Susan N. Perez-Mari

Bachelor of Science in Zoology 1986



Mr. Pablito S. Sandoval

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1981



Dr. Leocadio S. Sebastian

ROTC 1983
Bachelor of Science in Biology 1983
Master of Science in Genetics 1987



Mr. Weibin Wang
Master in Forestry 1997

College Distinguished Awardees
College of Agriculture and Food Science

Dr. Katherine Ann T. Castillo-Israel
Bachelor of Science in Food Technology 1995
Master of Science in Biochemistry 2001
Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry 2012



Dr. Evelyn R. Fernandez-Delfin
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1980
Master of Science in Soil Science 1985
Doctor of Philosophy in Soil Science 2005

Dr. Edgar A. Orden
Master of Science in Animal Science 1989





Mr. Alvaro M. Pamplona
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1979



Mr. Cayetano C. Pomares
Master of Science in Animal Science 1983



Mr. Gabriel M. Salazar, Jr.
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1987



Mr. Jose E. Tapay, Jr.
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 1978

College of Arts and Sciences

Hon. Adrian Michael A. Amatong
Bachelor of Arts in Sociology 2001



Ms. Lotus M. Postrado
Bachelor of Arts in Sociology 1995

Dr. Albert Remus R. Rosana
Bachelor of Science in Biology 2005



College of Development Communication



Dr. Evelyne S. Bernal-Aguirre
Master of Science in Development Communication 1987



Mr. Stanley B. Gajete

Bachelor of Science in Development Communication 2013 *cum laude*



Ms. Samantha P. Javier

Bachelor of Science in Development Communication 2010



Mr. Ronald G. Mangubat

Bachelor of Science in Development Communication 1986

College of Economics and Management



Dr. Xifeng Gong

Master of Management in Agribusiness Management 1996



Ms. Kristine F. Moya-Chua
Bachelor of Science in Economics 2002



Atty. Joselito B. Vallada
Bachelor of Science in Economics 1993

College of Engineering and Agro-Industrial Technology



Engr. Ariel O. Iglesia
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Engineering 1986



Mr. Fernando O. Mendoza
Bachelor of Science in Sugar Technology 1985



Dr. Fernando O. Paras, Jr.

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Engineering 1993

College of Forestry and Natural Resources



For. Edwin V. Payuan

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1973



For. Eriberto B. Saños

Certificate in Forestry 1983

Bachelor of Science in Forestry 1986

Diploma in Agribusiness Management 1992

Master of Science in Environmental Studies 1998

College of Human Ecology



Ms. Roselie E. Asis-Solivas

Bachelor of Science in Nutrition 1999



Mr. Cesar Jose C. Jesena
Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 1981

Ms. Cheryl Loise T. Leal
Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 2011



Ms. Alessandra Miel M. Virina-Opleda
Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology 2008

College of Public Affairs and Development

Ms. Mourng Kagna
Master of Science in Community Development 2014





Dr. Pheak Sothea

Master of Science in Community Development 2006
Doctor of Philosophy in Community Development 2010

College of Veterinary Medicine



Dr. Ma. Cynthia R. Dela Cruz

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine 1999
Master of Science in Microbiology 2004
Doctor of Philosophy in Microbiology 2014



Dr. Dennis V. Umali

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine 2007

School of Environmental Science and Management



Mr. Robert G. Bernardo

Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness Management 1988
Master of Science in Environmental Science 2001



Dr. Patricia Anne G. Nazareno

Master of Science in Environmental Studies 1999
Doctor of Philosophy in Environmental Science 2010



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BS Chemistry 2002, MS Biochemistry 2009

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