



UNIVERSITY Newsletter

Official Newsletter of the Mindanao State University - Main Campus, Marawi City

March 2024 (Volume 2 Issue 1 - 2024)



MSU, Marawi City, and 7 Barangays Sign Agreement to Enhance Peace and Security

A landmark agreement was signed on January 19, 2024 between Mindanao State University (MSU), the City Government of Marawi, and the seven barangays situated within the premises of MSU-Main Campus to enhance cooperation on maintaining peace and order.

page 35

MSU's Partnership with Turkish Universities is now Reaping Achievements

There are now at least eight faculty members of the university pursuing their doctorate degrees and 10 faculty members pursuing their master's degrees in various Turkish universities. There are also five faculty members who have already finished and earned their master's degrees.

page 15

Rising Youth Leader Wezam Macmod Hassan Dynamically Making His Mark

At just 21 years old, the driven and multi-talented Wezam Macmod Hassan from Binidayan, Lanao Del Sur has already accomplished more than many do in a lifetime.

page 8

Awang (Moro Vinta)



As outlined in BOR Resolution No. 69, Series of 1963, the Moro Vinta or Awang, prominently featured in the seal of Mindanao State University (MSU), holds a rich symbolism that embodies the university's identity and purpose. This majestic vessel, traditionally used by the Meranaws, the indigenous host tribe of MSU, is depicted in full sail. The billowing sails represent MSU's role as a vessel of knowledge, carrying students on a journey of learning and discovery. The image of the vinta in full sail further emphasizes the university's commitment to providing quality education, propelling its students towards a brighter future. Finally, the inclusion of the vinta serves as a tribute to the Meranaw people, acknowledging their hospitality and instrumental role in the establishment of MSU.

**Image drawn by Galo Ocampo
and digitalized by Hassanodden H. Hashim**

Comments and suggestions on the Newsletter and articles and submission of other manuscripts for possible inclusion in future issues are welcome. Please feel free to visit us at the office located at the first floor of the MCHC building in the front of the College of Engineering, or contact us:



oipp@msumain.edu.ph
msuoipp@gmail.com



@msumain.oipp



The University Newsletter is the official quarterly publication of the Mindanao State University. It is published by the Office of the President on a quarterly basis through the Office of Information, Press and Publication (OIPP) of the MSU-Main Campus.

Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph
Editor-in-Chief

Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez
Senior Editorial Staff

Hasmin M. Tambidan-Bantog
Editorial Staff

Mohammad Ali T. Hadji Usman
Junaid A. Manamparan
Jessie L. Cañete
Al-Anisah M. Hadji Ali
Main Shooters (Photo/Video)

Muhammad Tawfiq C. Cali
Senior Layout Artist

Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez
Hasmin M. Tambidan-Bantog
Layout Artists

Dainoden M. Macalangcom
Circulation Manager

Mailon D. Pundamudag
OneMSU Talk Coordinator

Jalaliah B. Guro
Daud G. Morsalin
Madiha A. Macasundig
Al-Anisah M. Hadji Ali
President's CANON Corps
Proofreaders

Disclaimer: Our team informs readers that the views, thoughts, and opinions expressed in the text of this Newsletter belong solely to the author, and not necessarily to the MSU and OIPP.

Our Newsletter Sections

01



The Voice

Getting voices heard: This section highlights the President's Desk section and the Editor's Note. This includes shared articles about MSU updates, reflections and issues.

02



The Story

MSU Talents and Beauty: This section features timeless stories from different perspectives. From the academic and semi-academic constituents of the University. This includes feature articles and stories written by and about talents and jewels in the university.

03



The Report

The University activities at a glance: This section is a great way to keep up with the latest news and trends happening in the whole of the System. This includes articles from the different campuses and external units of the University.

04



The Display

A Picture paints a thousand words: These are mostly Photo stories of activities happening in and outside the campus. It is a powerful way to capture and present a story, using photographs, graphs, lists and statistics as the primary methods of communication.

From the President's Desk



It is with great pleasure that I extend my wholehearted support to this March 2024 issue of the MSU-Marawi newsletter that has captured our University's last quarter activities in 2023.

The unwavering spirit showcased in these pages reflects the very essence of our university community. Through the decades we have faced adversity, but through it all, our commitment to academic excellence and developing strong, peace-loving future leaders remains unwavering. We have prepared generations of MSUans for their future destinies, and even more so with the advent of Industry 5.0.

This issue of our newsletter serves as a testament to the tireless efforts of our faculty, staff, and students, the backbone of MSU-Marawi's ongoing recovery and the driving force behind our continued pursuit of quality education. Indeed, their individual journeys provide the myriad threads that make up the tapestry that is the MSU Dream.

As you explore this issue, I encourage you to find inspiration in the stories of those who are making a positive impact. Let their dedication serve as a reminder of the immense potential that lies within the walls of MSU-Marawi.

As this year's recent graduation theme conveys, MSU is committed not only to nurturing minds who will be able to take on the challenges of Industry 5.0, it is also committed to keep on nurturing hearts that will strive towards the building of peace for a better world.

ATTY. BASARI D. MAPUPUNO

MSU System President

10-Point Agenda

1. Taking Bolder Strides toward Academic Excellence
2. Strengthening Research, Extension, Innovation and Production
3. Promoting MSU System as a National Peace University
4. Harnessing MSU Systemness and Focusing on the Comparative Advantages and Rationalization of Academic Program
5. More Agressively Move Forward Internationalization and Strategic Linkages
6. Serve as Beacon for Preservation of Cultural Heritage
7. Improve Human Resource, Administration, and Enhance Processes for Gender Effectiveness and Efficient Delivery of Services
8. Increase Income Generation and Improve Fiscal Responsibility
9. Infrastructure Development and Use
10. Implementation of Land Use Plan

President Mapupuno's Policy Milestones in 2023

Source: Office of the MSU System and BOR Secretary

Resolution No. 3, Series 2023

Approval of the creation of a University System Planning and Development Coordinating Council (USPDCC)

Resolution No. 5, Series 2023

Approval of the amendment of BOR Resolution No. 460, S. 2022 re: Qualification of Department Chairperson

Resolution No. 8, Series 2023

Approval of the inclusion of the Student Regent in the TWG of MSU System Student Handbook

Resolution No. 9, Series 2023

Approval of the institutionalization of Gender and Development Awareness Celebration

Resolution No. 17, Series 2023

Approval of the Mindanao State University College of Law Student Handbook

Resolution No. 18, Series 2023

Approval of the amendment to a certain provision of BOR Resolution No. 295, S. 2020 re: Gainers of Scholarship Privileges/ Merit Scholarship of MSU-Marawi

Resolution No. 19, Series 2023

Approval of the integration of graduate programs to allied/ specialization departments of MSU-Marawi

Resolution No. 20, Series 2023

Approval of the adoption of Legal Education Board Memorandum Order (LEBMO) No. 24, 2021 "The Revised Model Law Curriculum (REMOLAC)"

Resolution No. 21, Series 2023

Approval of the new logo of the College of Hospitality and Tourism Management of MSU-Marawi

Resolution No. 22, Series 2023

Approval of the creation of the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Services

Resolution No. 124, Series 2023

Approval of the Executive Committee of the Board of Regents, the Revision of the Teaching Efficiency Rating (TER) Instruments (with students as raters)

Resolution No. 128, Series 2023

Approval of the the six (6) New Curricular Programs and twelve (12) Revised Curricular Programs as endorsed by the System University Council (SUC)

Resolution No. 129, Series 2023

Approval of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Search for Deans of MSU Colleges

Resolution No. 130, Series 2023

Approval of the Streamlining Research and Extension Involvement in the Individual Performance Commitment and Review (IPCR): a Proposal for Enhancing Faculty Engagement at the Mindanao State University System

Resolution No. 131, Series 2023

Approval of the proposal to convert in the database History 003 (History of Filipino Muslims and Indigenous Peoples of MINSUPALA) as GEC 110, Filipino 101 (Wika at Kultura sa Mapayapang Lipunan) as GEC 120, and FILIPINO 102 (Ekokritisismo at Pagpapahalaga ng Kalikasan) as GEC 130

Resolution No. 132, Series 2023

Approval of the honorarium of a maximum of ten thousand pesos (P10,000.00) to faculty members designated as Campus Secretary or Chief-of Staff

Resolution No. 141, Series 2023

Approval of the implementation of the UP-Diliman History Department Doctoral Degree Extension Program to the MSU-Marawi History Department

Resolution No. 142, Series 2023

Approval of the Revised Graduate Studies Handbook of MSU-Marawi

Resolution No. 353, Series 2023

Approval of the System-wide Student Handbook

Resolution No. 354, Series 2023

Approval of the Harmonized workload and responsibilities of College Research Coordinator and College Extension Coordinator across the MSU System

Resolution No. 355, Series 2023

Approval of the Standardized Grading System for Technology Programs

Resolution No. 356, Series 2023

Approval of the request for additional Junior High, Senior High and administrative staff plantilla items

Resolution No. 358, Series 2023

Approval of the proposed Sustainability Policy of MSU-IIT

Resolution No. 359, Series 2023

Approval of the Proposed Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity (EDI) Policy of MSU-IIT

Resolution No. 360, Series 2023

Approval of the Proposed Anti-Counterfeit and Anti-Piracy (ACAP) Policy of MSU-IIT

Resolution No. 366, Series 2023

Approval of the twelve (12) units of equivalent workload units of faculty regent of the Mindanao State University System

Resolution No. 367, Series 2023

Approval of the proposed representation of the faculty union in various relative committees in the campuses of the Mindanao State University System amending BOR Res. No. 80, S. 2001

Resolution No. 368, Series 2023

Approval of the omission of the height requirements for the Mr. and Ms. MSUSAA

Resolution No. 369, Series 2023

Approval of the Futures Thinking and Strategic Fore Sighting Program – 67th FEMSUSCO Executive Meeting to be held in Tawi-Tawi

Resolution No. 370, Series 2023

Approval of the mandatory Capacity and Team Building for SSC, SSG, and KASAMA and allocation of funds

Resolution No. 375, Series 2023

Approval of the staffing request for an Internal Audit Service (IAS)/ Unit (IAU) of the Mindanao State University-Marawi Campus

262nd
BOR Meeting
March 6, 2023

263rd
BOR Meeting
July 7, 2023

264th
BOR Meeting
October 11, 2023

265th
BOR Meeting
December 12, 2023

Editor's Note



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the March 2024 issue of the MSU-Main, Marawi City newsletter!

As we move forward, we are filled with a sense of immense pride in MSU-Marawi's unwavering spirit of resilience. The recent challenges, including the tragic bombing incident in December 2023, have only strengthened our resolve to build a brighter future for our esteemed university and its community.

This issue showcases MSU-Marawi's ongoing journey towards recovery. We highlight the university's efforts in ensuring the safety and well-being of its students and staff, while simultaneously striving to maintain the highest standards of academic excellence.

Furthermore, we celebrate the university's dedication to fostering strong-willed student leaders like our current Student regent, Wezam. You will also find inspiring stories of colleagues from colleges and offices who are making a difference. We encourage you to delve into the diverse range of news, achievements, and upcoming events that make MSU-Marawi a beacon of hope and progress.

Together, let us continue to build a stronger, more resilient MSU-Main Campus, dedicated to fostering a future filled with academic excellence, ethical leadership, and unwavering community spirit.

PROF. SORHAILA L. LATIP-YUSOPH, PhD

Editor-in-Chief, MSU Newsletter

Director, OIPP & MCHC

sorhaila.latip@msumain.edu.ph



SCAN ME
to get the E-copy
from OneMSU Site

About the Cover

(Front) Signing ceremony of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for a collaborative effort to enhance peace and security within the MSU-Main Campus by MSU President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno and Marawi City Mayor, Atty. Majul U. Gandamra and the representatives from seven barangays within MSU.

(Back) The OIPP Women greeting all women in the world a Happy Women's Month!



Empowering Educators at MSU-Main Campus through a Successful 4-Day In-House Training in Peace Education

Johara D. Alangca-Azis, PhD

Empowering the educators at Mindanao State University-Main Campus with the essential knowledge, skills, and attitudes to teach the Fundamentals of Peace Education (FPE101) is a powerful step towards fostering peace and unity. This effort is not only a pivotal component of the university's aspiration to be recognized as a National Peace University but it is also a profound commitment to nurturing a more harmonious and compassionate society. It is a fact that peace education goes beyond traditional academic teachings, which offers college students the transformative tools to peacefully address conflicts, appreciate diverse opinions, and develop a profound sense of empathy and respect for everyone. By empowering these educators to impart peace education more effectively, we do not only invest in building a more just, inclusive and peaceful society but we also open doors to a more compassionate global community.

As its core initiative, Mindanao State University Main Campus in Marawi City through the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (OVCAA) and the Institute of Peace and Development in Mindanao (IPDM) in collaboration with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the Kingdom of Netherlands recently spearheaded a highly meaningful and productive 4-day in-house training session for the new FPE101 (Fundamentals of Peace Education) teachers. This transformative event took place from February 11 to 14, 2024, at Go Hotels, Robinsons Place, Iligan City, gathering 35 passionate educators from various colleges of the University.

The In-house training was not just a routine professional development session; it was a profound and life-changing experience that primarily and meticulously aimed to equip the participants with the knowledge, skills, and mindset needed to nurture a culture of peace within the academic community and even beyond. In fact, throughout the four rigorous days doing interactive workshops, engaging discussions, simulations, and practical exercises, the enthusiastic teachers immersed themselves in a holistic learning experience that transcended traditional boundaries as they sharpened their abilities to create wide-ranging learning environments where respect, compassion and dialogue thrive.

Additionally, the training was remarkably facilitated by esteemed peace educators and resource speakers, who are not only pioneers of FPE 101 but also the designers of the learning modules and teacher's guide used in the course. Dr. Samuel Anonas, Dr. Godiva Rivera, Dr. Johara Alangca-Azis, Dr. Grace Rafal, Prof. Omera Serad, Prof. Aisah Minukon, Prof. Ma. Junnah Ligid, and Atty. Jashim Abdulrahman, graciously shared their extensive



Participants of the 4-day In-house Training for Teachers (TOT)



MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno

knowledge and rich experiences in teaching FPE 101 with the dedicated participants. The peace education framework, effective pedagogies, and significant topics were thoroughly highlighted and explained during the various sessions. The event also showcased insightful contributions from invited speakers such as Dr. Zainal Kulidtod, Prof. Al-Mahdi Alonto, Bishop Edwin De La Pena, Dr. Aminoding Limpao, Mr. Khalid Rinamuntao, and Mr. Nagamura of the Ministry of Public Safety and Order (MPOS) who enriched the training with varied perspectives and expertise in the field of Peace Education. Other facilitators namely Mr. Federico Filipino, Ms. Arra Kaye Espenido, Mr. Rayhan Yusoph and Mr. Mojahid Baraki made the event more energizing and meaningful.

One of the highlights of the event was the active participation and the sincerest support demonstrated by the MSU System President, Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno and the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Dr. Amerkhan G. Cabaro, which truly added a sense of excitement and inspiration to the proceedings, as they not only attended the sessions but also actively engaged with participants, sharing their insights and experiences, too. Their presence served as an effective and earnest reminder of the university's serious commitment to fostering a culture of peace and understanding. Heads of the UNDP and the IPDM were also present, underscoring a shared commitment to promoting peace education and fostering inclusive learning environments.

Finally, the resounding success of the 4-day training program marks an indication to the dedication and passion of the organizers as well as participants towards advancing peace education and nurturing a generation of compassionate and empathetic individuals. We hope that as the trained newest FPE101 educators return to their respective roles within the University, they carry with them the tools and insights needed to inspire a culture of peace and understanding among their students and that by championing forbearance, respect for diversity, and inclusivity, they can also be instruments to make a lasting impact on the educational landscape and contribute to the creation of a more harmonious society.

Rising Youth Leader Dynamically Making

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

At just 21 years old, the driven and multi-talented Wezam Macmod Hassan from Binidayan, Lanao del Sur has already accomplished more than many do in a lifetime. This diligent and passionate political science student of our Mindanao State University-Main Campus is authoritatively leaving his mark through a flurry of high-impact leadership roles and admirable advocacy work.

"Mapasang a wata. Mapiya i ginawa sa salakaw di salakaw. [He is brilliant. He is kind to anyone]." This was my first impression of him as an MSU Official. Not all leaders are approachable, they say. But, Wezam is a different breed.

When asked about his concept of leadership, he immediately answered me with "Student Leadership thrives on collaboration; together with your co-officers and mentors, you will achieve your objectives." He is as simple as his courteous response.

Wezam currently serves as the young and fine Student Regent on Mindanao State University System's esteemed Board of Regents, lending a vital and perceptive student voice to the governing body. He is also the capable President of the unifying Federation of Mindanao State University Supreme Student Councils, deftly representing the collective student bodies across the university system's campuses.

His leadership experience runs extraordinarily deep, having previously held the formidable roles of strategic Prime Minister for the MSU-Main Supreme Student Government and dedicated CSSH College Representative to the same respected body.

"One of the defining attributes of Wezam's leadership is his resilience in the face of challenges. Serving as the prime minister, he encountered numerous obstacles and navigated through high-pressure situations with admirable grace. This not only speaks to his ability to make sound

STUDENT REGENT WEZAM

*"The youth of today
are the leaders of
tomorrow."*

- Nelson Mandela -

r Wezam Macmod Hassan g His Mark

decisions under pressure but also highlights his commitment to upholding the values and goals of the SSG," said Divine Elizabeth C. Paubsanon, Former SSG Assistant Secretary and present Assistant Secretary of the Office of the Student Regent.

Wezam has adeptly put his strong parliamentary skills to use as an engaged participant in constructive youth parliament programs at the university, provincial, and municipal levels.

"Wezam's leadership journey serves as an inspiring narrative of dedication, resilience, and selflessness. It is a testament to the positive impact that a student leader can have when driven by a genuine desire to serve and improve the well-being of their co-students," remarked Christian Berou, Minister of Academic Affairs.

Beyond his prestigious university roles, he is enthusiastically involved with reputable youth advocacy groups like the Grassroots United Binidayan Young Advocates, where he serves as the dependable Secretary, and the environmentally-focused Ranaw Youth Tanggol Kalikasan, valiantly promoting vital environmental protection. His noble passion lies in skillfully uplifting youth voices and fostering tangible positive change in his local community.

Despite his tremendously packed schedule of rigorous academic, multifaceted leadership, and impactful civic duties, Wezam maintains an exemplary diligence in completing his esteemed political science degree. His remarkable unwavering drive and innate ability to deftly juggle numerous critical responsibilities at a young age undeniably signal his vast potential as an inspiring future leader and persuasive advocate.

"After being elected as the SSG prime minister, his aim was never to have a perfect administration but as long as all student concerns are all addressed in the right office. He taught us to have a healthy relationship with all offices in MSU Admin and use this as an advantage. I am so proud of him because he managed to overcome challenges along the way," said Abdul Careb Abedin III, SSG External Deputy Prime Minister.

The rock-solid foundations that he is steadfastly building today ensure that he will be an influential and trusted voice and force for extraordinary good for years to come.



Wezam taking oath as the new MSU System Student Regent before CHED Chairperson, Hon. J. Prospero De Vera III



Presiding Chair Wezam at the FEMSUSCO Meeting at MSU-TCTO



Wezam with this teammate (Divine on his left) at MSU IIT (Photo from the Supreme Student Government of MSU-IIT)

MINDANAO STATE UNIVERSITY

60th

Commencement Exercises

1st Semester AY 2023-2024

A Beacon Beams Brighter: MSU Celebrates 60th Commencement

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

An air of celebration and melancholy swept over the Mindanao State University (MSU) campus on February 26, 2024, as the university fittingly commemorated its 60th year of nurturing young minds with its historic Commencement Exercises; and after the tragedy brought by the December 3, 2023 bombing attack. The MSU Mohammad Ali Gymnasium was full of hopeful individuals who want to move on with life and quality education despite challenges.

The ceremonies formed a dazzling spectacle of milestone, triumph, and legacy for the over 1,300 pioneering graduates and their proud families and guests. The university security forces assured the attendees of the most security they could have on the said day.

The grand occasion was graced by the presence of distinguished guests, led by Assistant Secretary Achilles Gerard C. Bravo, CESO II, Department of Budget and Management. His over 40 years of illustrious public service record positioned him as a guiding light of hope, imparting indispensable wisdom on fiscal reforms and their instrumental role in providing additional academic and non-academic itemized positions for the whole MSU System.

Adding insight and inspiration during the pre-commencement rites, held on the 24th of February, were Lanao del Sur Executive Judge Wenida Balt Macugar-Papandayan and Undersecretary Fatima Aliah Q. Dimaporo of the Department of Social Welfare and Development. Their respective journeys in upholding justice and empowering communities established them as exemplars of leadership, rousing the graduates to embrace the call for transformational change. The change that as MSUans should uphold wherever they go and be successful in their respective lives.

With immense pride, the university recognized the academic excellence of graduates receiving latin honors. A special recognition was given to the class valedictorian, Mr. Ali H.Y. Batugan, an AB Islamic Studies major in Shariah graduate with Magna Cum Laude honor, who spoke about



Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, MSU System President



The Class Valedictorian Ali H. Y. Batugan with the System Officials headed by President Mapupuno



Class Salutatorian Norhana A. Saumay leads the Pledge of Loyalty.





Photo above: MSU System and Marawi Officials
Photo below (L to R): University Registrar Dr. Ansano Ampog, VP for Academic Affairs Dr. Alma E. Berowa, DBM Asec. Achilles Gerard C. Bravo, CESO II, and MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno



Asec. Achilles Gerard C. Bravo, CESO II, Assistant Secretary of the Department of Budget Management and the Commencement Speaker



The Class Salutatorian Norhana A. Saumay with the System Officials headed by President Mapupuno

his sacrifices in his life starting with his young self fighting a dreadful case of cancer. He spoke about hope and belief in Allah that every man is tested in order to be better in his life journey.

As MSU's legacy, the graduates step forward imbued with the institution's unique brand of knowledge and values-based education. They carry the torch for peace and progress, prepared to contribute meaningfully to society and soar as captains of Industry 5.0. This momentous occasion will be fondly etched as an emblem of MSU's 60 and more luminous years, further burnishing its enduring pledge as a beacon of peace in Mindanao and the nation.



Class Valedictorian Ali H. Y. Batugan inspires everyone with his valedictory address.



Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez

A Testament to Resilience, Compassion, and Unity

The tragic bombing at MSU-Main Campus on December 3, 2023 shattered the hearts of the MSU community. Four individuals – **Junrey T. Barbante, Evangeline S. Aromin, Janine Arenas, and Riza R. Daniel** – were tragically lost, leaving a profound void filled with grief and shock. Yet, amid the darkness, the MSU community shone with remarkable resilience, compassion, and unity. This event stands as a testament to the university's commitment to providing quality education even in the face of adversity.

Unsung Heroes Emerge in the Chaos

In the wake of the bombing, countless acts of heroism emerged. The spirit of the MSU community ignited as 17 courageous tricycle and auto rickshaw (racal) drivers, the lifeblood of the local transportation system, rushed the injured victims to the Amai Pakpak Medical Center (APMC) and the MSU-Medical Services and Hospital Division (University Infirmary). These drivers acted as the first line of response, selflessly transporting the victims to medical facilities.

Medical personnel at these facilities swiftly responded with life-saving care. University Infirmary Director Dr. Ramli V. Usman and his team played a vital role, attending to the injured patients and stabilizing their conditions. This seamless collaboration, from initial transport to dedicated medical care, exemplifies the collective compassion and commitment to helping others that defines the MSU community.

A Swift and Coordinated Response

Prioritizing safety and well-being, the university administration, under the leadership of MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, reacted promptly. The official statement from the Office of the President not only expressed solidarity with the affected community, but also offered support and condolences. Classes and all academic activities were temporarily suspended. Additionally, security personnel from the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and the Philippine National Police (PNP) were deployed to the campus.



MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno visits the victims, cutting short an important overseas engagement.



President Mapupuno discusses possible security measures with the MSU officials, local government leaders, and key figures including NICAP Director Gen. De Leon and former Vice President Magsalos.



The MSU Incident Command Center Team headed by PMS Director Atty. Rashid V. Pandi talks about the potential responses for all the needs of the MSU students.



Bombing victims receive financial and in-kind assistances from the MSSD Lanao del Sur Field Office headed by PSWO Bai Yasmira N. Pangadapun, MPA.

Through the collaborative efforts of the Provincial Disaster Risk and Reduction Management Office (PDRRMO) of Lanao del Sur and the City Disaster Risk and Reduction Management Office (CDRRMO) of Marawi City, necessities were provided to students, faculty, and staff residing on campus. The MSU Cafeteria, along with various offices, student organizations, and volunteer students, prepared and distributed meals, ensuring the well-being of those affected and displaced.

The MSU System President, cutting short an important overseas engagement, immediately visited the victims at the APMC and the University Infirmary. He then convened a meeting with the MSU officials, Marawi City Government officials led by Mayor Atty. Majul Gandamra, and key figures including National Intelligence Coordinating Agency of the Philippines (NICAP) Director Gen. Ricardo F. de Leon and former Vice President Romeo Magsalos. The meeting focused on assisting the university with the investigation, apprehension of perpetrators, prevention of future tragedies, and ensuring justice for the victims.

The university deployed additional security forces, including one company from the PNP Regional Battalion and another company of uniformed personnel from the AFP, to augment the existing Peace Keeping Force personnel. Heightened police visibility and regular sweeps of buildings, streets, and corners of the campus were also implemented. A special investigation task force was also created to apprehend suspects and file criminal charges.

A dedicated Incident Command Center, composed of MSU officials and faculty members led by Presidential Management Staff (PMS) Director Atty. Rashid V. Pandi, was established to coordinate emergency services, provide assistance to victims, and facilitate communication with the constituents, especially students. The center closely monitored enrolled students through college-based surveys and facilitated their safe return to the campus by coordinating with local government units and authorities, even providing free rides.

The MSU Coordinating Team led by Liaison to the Congress Saidamen O. Limgas, Marife Taub, Technology and Innovation Center Director Sophia A. Macarambon-Ali, and Information and Communications Technology Center Director Ronald M. Sillosa facilitated the provision of burial and cash assistance to the bereaved families of the deceased. MSU officials, faculty, and students also visited the families of the victims, extending assistance.

An Outpouring of Support from All Corners

In the aftermath of the tragedy, various organizations stepped forward to offer their support, demonstrating the far-reaching impact of the MSU community. Government agencies like the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD), and the Ministry of Basic, Higher, and Technical Education (MBHTE) provided financial assistance to the victims and students on campus. Student organizations like the Federation of Mindanao State University Supreme Student Council

(FEMSUSSCO) contributed in-kind donations. Provincial Government of Lanao del Sur led by Governor Mamintal "Bombit" A. Adiong, Jr. extended their generosity through financial and in-kind donations. Senator Ronald "Bato" dela Rosa and Vice President Sara Duterte-Carpio also provided financial assistance and ensured the hospital bills of victims were covered.

The Ministry of Health (MOH) and the FOCOLARE Movement offered hygiene kits and financial support. MSU-Iligan Institute of Technology, on the other hand, provided both financial and material resources to the victims and those seeking refuge. The Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU), in partnership with the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) and the Office of Civil Defense in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (OCD-BARMM), also contributed financial assistance to the victims.

Honoring the Heroes

As one way of acknowledging the extraordinary actions of 17 tricycle and auto rickshaw drivers who served as first responders during the bombing incident, President Mapupuno led a heartfelt ceremony, praising the drivers' initiative in rushing wounded victims to APMC and University Infirmary. A symbolic act of placing a University sticker on one of the auto rickshaw vehicles used for transport further highlighted their contribution. The ceremony occurred on the first Monday of February 2024, which became a powerful display of love on campus.

President Mapupuno's recognition serves not only to honor the exceptional bravery of the tricycle and auto rickshaw drivers but also to inspire others to act with kindness and courage in times of crisis. These ordinary citizens' selfless actions stand as a beacon of hope and inspiration for the community still recovering from the tragic bombing. The event also served as a reminder of the relentless spirit of unity and solidarity that transcends differences within the MSU community.



The photos depict a recognition ceremony honoring the 17 tricycle and auto rickshaw drivers who transported injured victims to APMC and University Infirmary. The ceremony involved a symbolic placement of an MSU sticker on one of the auto rickshaws.



Mental and psychosocial support services offered to victims and MSU constituents, including faculty, staff, and students



MSU constituents come together to call for peace and unity.

Below is the list of these tricycle and auto rickshaw drivers together with their Decal Numbers:

Name	Decal Number
1. Darvin G. Bacaraman	Tricycle No. 70
2. Khalid Omar Saminola	Tricycle No. 71
3. Alnief I. Macatoon	Tricycle No. 72
4. Sidic B. Calalagan	Racal No. 81
5. Shokrie M. Sarip	Racal No. 88
6. Khalil S. Bato	Tricycle No. 288
7. Mohammad M. Maruhom	Racal No. 304
8. Faizal R. Mascara	Racal No. 305
9. Rifai P. Sangbaan	Racal No. 306
10. Moh'd Nasif D. Bandrang	Racal No. 307
11. Abdullah M. Abdalcader	Racal No. 30
12. Saidali R. Maruhom	Racal No. 310
13. Alinor A. Macarimbang	Racal No. 311
14. Abubacar T. Casan	Racal No. 312
15. Housman Jaimoddin Lawi	Racal No. 314
16. Samsodin M. Disomdig	Racal No. 315
17. Sohaile D. Cosain	Racal No. 338

Promoting Healing and Embracing Peace

In recognition of the lasting impact, the university initiated a Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) team led by Psychology Department Chairperson Dr. Aminoding B. Limpao. The team provided a comprehensive range of counseling, stress management, and other mental and psychosocial support services to the MSU constituents, promoting emotional well-being and healing. This initiative also culminated in the establishment of the Panginam Healing and Wellbeing Center (PHWC).

Additionally, the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs held a Peace Education Day featuring peace messaging, coexistence lectures, interfaith activities, healing through art, and emergency response education. A candle lighting ceremony and prayer of remembrance were also conducted for the victims, particularly the deceased. Bishop Edwin Dela Pena and Archbishop Antonio J. Ledesma S.J. led the ceremony, offering a space for grief and honoring the lost. Various institutions and organizations also condemned the violence and offered prayers for the victims and the entire MSU community.

A Beacon of Hope

While December 3rd was a dark day, the university's prompt response, the outpouring of support, and the initiatives taken to honor the victims and promote healing demonstrate the notable resilience of the MSU community. Just like the 2017 Marawi Siege and the COVID-19 pandemic, MSU-Main Campus continues to stand strong, sailing towards its vision and mission.

As the MSU System President eloquently stated, "*Hindi ka mahirap mahalin, MSU. Sa loob ng mahigit anim na dekada, maraming kang biniyayaan ng liwanag, pag-asa, at naging dahilan ka kung bakit nakamit ng marami ang kanilang mga matatayog na pangarap. Because of this, we should love you all the more. Let us all stand for peace and unity. Let us all stand for MSU!*" (MSU is not difficult to love. For over six decades, you have enlightened and given hope to many, and have been the reason why so many have achieved their dreams. Because of this, we should love you all the more. Let us all stand for peace and unity. Let us all stand for MSU!)"



Provincial Lanao del Sur Government led by Hon. Bombit Adiong visits and distributes cash and food assistances to the victims. (Photos from PIO-LDS)



President Mapupuno with the University Infirmary medical personnel who provided aid to the injured victims



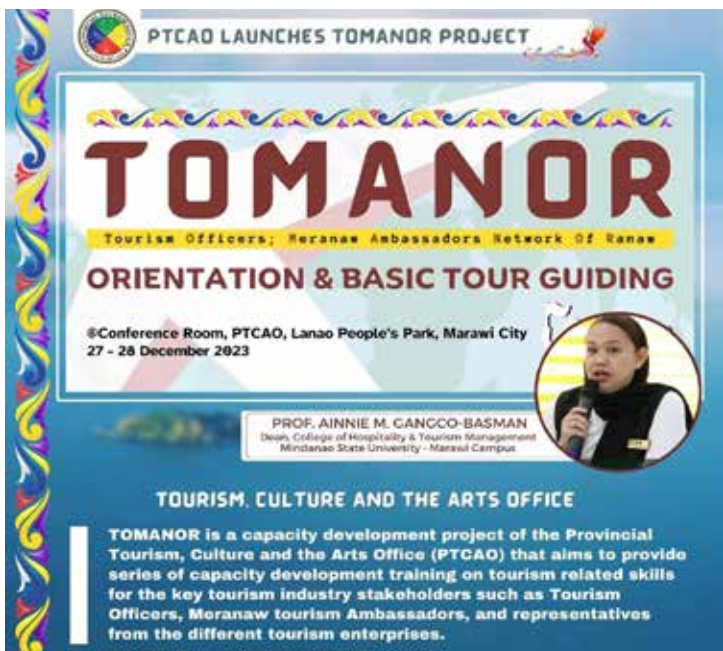
Candle lighting and prayer of remembrance offered to the victims particularly the deceased by the MSU constituents including Archbishop Ledesma and Bishop Dela Pena

Building a Brighter Future: CHTM's Commitment to Lanao del Sur's Sustainable Tourism Industry

Ameenah R. Gumal, LPT, MAPS

In the powerful words of an American author, Helen Keller, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much," it perfectly encapsulates the spirit of the College of Hospitality and Tourism Management (CHTM) at the Mindanao State University Main Campus. Through its dedicated extension services, the college is actively fostering the advancement of Lanao del Sur's tourism landscape, as evident in its recent collaborations with various agencies and stakeholders in the province to build a brighter future for its tourism industry.

On November 8-9, 2023, Ms. Anne Fatimah G. Latip-Mangondato, CTP, both a faculty member of the college and a member of the city's tourism council, was invited as the resource person and tourism consultant during the two-day Marawi City Tourism Development Planning Workshop, organized by the Marawi City Tourism Office, at the Bagumbayan Hall, Marawi City Hall Complex, Marawi City. Ms. Ameenah R. Gumal, LPT, MAPS, likewise a faculty member of the college, was also invited as their technical writer for the formulation of the tourism development plan, leveraging from her experience as the tourism consultant of the Municipality of Butig's tourism development plan formulation in 2023.



Dean Ainnie M. Gangco-Basman, MS HM, as the resource person of the TOMANOR Project (Photo from PTCAO, Lanao del Sur)

Following this, on December 27-28, 2023, Prof. Ainnie M. Gangco-Basman, MS HM, Dean of the CHTM and the incumbent Vice-Chairperson of the Lanao del Sur Provincial Tourism, Culture, and the Arts Council, was invited as a resource speaker on the launching of Tourism Officers, Meranaw Ambassadors Network of Ranaw (TOMANOR) Project of the Provincial Tourism, Culture, and the Arts Office (PTCAO), where she shared her knowledge and skills during the TOMANOR Orientation and Basic Tour Guiding Seminar-Workshop at the PTCAO Office, Marawi City. This initiative contributed directly to developing knowledge and skills for the aspiring local tour guides in the province, empowering them to better showcase the wonders of Lanao del Sur.

Prof. Gangco-Basman, along with Ms. Latip-Mangondato, further strengthened the college's community engagement by also serving as resource persons at the Ministry of Trade, Investments, and Tourism's (MTIT) Local Tourism Development Plan Capacity Training Program, held on February 25-26, 2024, at the Ragayan Training Center, Marantao, Lanao del Sur. This collaboration aimed to equip the local government units with crucial knowledge and skills for formulating effective and sustainable tourism development plans.

Most recently, on March 7, 2024, Ms. Latip-Mangondato and Ms. Gumal actively participated again in a joint assembly of the City Tourism Council and City Culture and Arts Council at the Bagumbayan Hall, Marawi City Hall Complex, where the initial draft of the city's tourism development plan, a culmination of the workshop held in November 2023, was presented.

These collaborations exemplify not only the CHTM's but also the university's dedication to building a robust tourism industry in Lanao del Sur. These also signify the college's commitment to the province's economic growth and cultural preservation.

Through **knowledge sharing** and **capacity building**, the College of Hospitality and Tourism Management and the Mindanao State University - Main Campus, are **empowering** local communities and **paving the way** for a **sustainable** and **thriving** tourism industry.



Ms. Latip-Mangondato and Ms. Gumal pose with the organizers and participants of the tourism development planning workshop. (Photo from Marawi Tourism Office)



The presenters and participants discuss the comments and suggestions on the initial draft of the Marawi TDP (Photo from Marawi Tourism Office)



Dean Gangco-Basman and Ms. Latip Mangondato with the facilitators and participants of the LTDP Training (Photo from MTIT, Lanao del Sur)

MSU's Partnership with Turkish Universities is now Reaping Achievements

Atty. Shidik T. Abantas

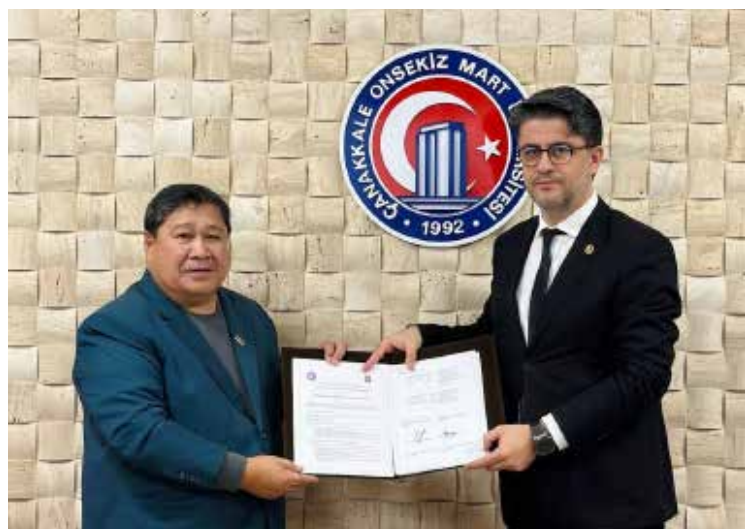
There are now at least eight faculty members of the university pursuing their doctorate degrees and 10 faculty members pursuing their master's degrees in various Turkish universities. There are also five faculty members who have already finished and earned their master's degrees. Most notable of the graduates is the faculty member of MSU-Sulu College of Fisheries, Asst. Prof. Enraida S. Imbuk, RFT (Master in Aquaculture) who became the first faculty member of MSU-Sulu to earn a graduate degree in a foreign university (Kastamuno University).

Student and faculty exchange programs have also been done between MSU and Turkish universities. For research, under the Erasmus program in 2016, Ernst Empig of MSU-IIT and Keriman Ozdemir of Kastamuno University became recipients, and they were able to publish 4 papers for the project. The university is also able to do collaborative research in the field of Forestry, Climate Change and Environmental Preservation. This year, the university, through MSU-Maguindanao, hosted the 4th International Conference on Environment and Forest Conservation held at Davao City, Philippines with at least 4 countries joining, namely: Philippines, Indonesia, Turkiye, and Japan.



MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno gives his speech during the MOU signing with ÇOMU.

Earlier this month, the University President, Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, visited three universities in Turkiye to further enhance and expand the partnership of the university with Turkish universities. President Mapupuno, together with the Chancellors of MSU-Naawan and Buug, Campus Heads of LNCAT and



MOU Signing with ÇOMU



MSU delegates at ÇOMU

LNAC, and other officials of the system, visited Canakkale Onsekiz Mart University (COMU) to deliver faculty members of MSU-Naawan who will be conducting research collaboration with the university. During the visit, discussion on collaborations in the field of Medicine, Engineering and Marine Science were also discussed. President Mapupuno also visited the Kastamuno university to deliver some faculty researchers of MSU-Naawan and to further renew and update the ties of the universities. Lastly, a visit to the Turkish Aeronautical Association University (ATU) in Ankara, Turkiye to sign a Memorandum of Understanding centered on faculty, student and research collaboration. ATU is the premier university in Turkiye in the field of Aeronautics, Mechanical, Electronics and Electrical Engineering. The university endeavors to strengthen the university's capacities in mechanical engineering and aeronautics in the field of drones for agriculture, security, and disaster response.

Partner universities in Turkiye are ranked universities in Europe. These partnerships are part of the on-going internationalization programs of the university which intends to transform our programs and instructions to be globally responsive and competitive.



MOU Signing with University of Aeronautical Association University (ATU)

Enhancing Global Connections: A Spotlight on the International Affairs and Linkages Office of Mindanao State University

Prof. Melba Magandia-Angni

In today's interconnected world, internationalization has become a cornerstone of higher education institutions worldwide. It encompasses a broad range of activities aimed at integrating global perspectives, fostering cross-cultural understanding, and promoting collaboration across borders. The significance of internationalization in higher education can be highlighted in several key aspects: cultural exchange and diversity; academic excellence and innovation; global competence and employability; institutional reputation and rankings; and addressing global challenges. As such, it is essential for higher education institutions to prioritize and invest in internationalization efforts to remain competitive and relevant in the 21st century.

At the heart of Mindanao State University's commitment to global engagement lies the Internationalization and Linkages Office (IALO), a dynamic hub dedicated to fostering international partnerships, promoting cross-cultural exchange, and advancing the university's presence on the global stage. As the gateway to a world of opportunities, IALO serves as the driving force behind MSU's internationalization efforts, facilitating collaborations with prestigious institutions, orchestrating student and faculty exchanges, and spearheading initiatives to enhance global competence among the university community. Nestled within the administrative framework as a special office under the Office of the MSU President, IALO stands as a channel of global engagement and collaboration.

Initiatives and Programs

Student Exchange

At the heart of IALO's mission lies a profound commitment to nurturing global citizens, and its student exchange programs serve as the cornerstone of this endeavor. With meticulous planning and unwavering dedication, IALO has forged strategic partnerships with esteemed universities around the world, opening doors to a myriad of enriching opportunities for MSU students.

Through these exchange programs, students are granted the invaluable chance to immerse themselves in new cultures, expand their academic horizons, and forge lifelong friendships with peers from diverse backgrounds.

Institutional Visits

Through strategic alliances forged with partner institutions across the globe, IALO facilitates institutional and academic visits that transcend geographical boundaries. These collaborative endeavors tackle some of the most pressing challenges facing society today, harnessing the collective expertise of faculty members from MSU and their international partners. By facilitating faculty exchanges and academic visits, IALO provides faculty members with invaluable opportunities to immerse themselves in new academic environments, engage in cross-cultural dialogue, and forge lasting professional connections. Whether participating in conferences, workshops, or joint research endeavors, faculty members benefit from exposure to diverse perspectives, methodologies, and approaches, enriching their own scholarly pursuits and enhancing the academic landscape of MSU.

International Conferences and Workshops

With a commitment to fostering knowledge exchange and collaboration on a global scale, IALO spearheads initiatives that propel MSU faculty and students onto the international stage, showcasing their research, insights, and expertise to a diverse audience of scholars and practitioners. Among the flagship events organized or co-hosted by IALO, the Southeast Asian Institute for Transformational Entrepreneurship (SEAITE) Symposium offers a unique opportunity for MSU to showcase its expertise in entrepreneurship and innovation on a regional scale. Co-hosted by IALO in collaboration with partner institutions, this symposium brings together stakeholders from academia, industry, and government to explore strategies for fostering entrepreneurial ecosystems and driving socio-economic development in the ASEAN region. Through engaging presentations, workshops, and networking opportunities, MSU faculty and students play an active role in shaping the future of entrepreneurship in Southeast Asia, sharing insights, business pitching, sharing of best practices, and innovative solutions that have the potential to drive positive change and transformation.



MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, TAR UMT President Prof. Ir. Dr. Lee Sze Wei, MSU Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Alma E. Berowa, TAR UMT Vice President for Administration and Internationalization Dr. Sok Kwan Say, PMS Director Atty. Rashid V. Pandi, with other academic officials of both universities during an institutional visit at Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology, Malaysia



These are the speakers, Members of SEAITE Steering Board, and participants of the 3rd Southeast Asia Institute for Transformational Entrepreneurship (SEAITE) Symposium hosted by Hanoi University of Science and Technology, Vietnam. MSU-IALO Acting Director Melba M. Angni (Philippines) is a member of the SEAITE Steering Board along with TAR UMT VP Sok Kwan Say (Malaysia), SUT Vice Rector Mullika Sungsanit (Thailand) and HUST's Dr. Hoang Thi Bich Thuy (Vietnam). The Board is chaired by Prof. Dr. Gideon Maas of Coventry University (United Kingdom)



MSU delegates to the 3rd International Conference on Digital Transformation and Exchange (ICDXA 2024) with the Conference Chair Dr. Chin Wan Yoke at TAR UMT, Malaysia: (L-R) Director of Research Dr. Mahid Mangontarum, CICS Dean Prof. Mudzna Asakil, Vice Chancellor for Research, Extension and Development Dr. Fema Abamo, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Dr. Amerkhan Cabaro and the MSU Research Presenters. MSU will co-host the next ICDXA in 2025.

Similarly, the International Conference on Digital Transformation and Applications (ICDXA) stands out as a premier platform for exploring the intersection of technology and society. Drawing together leading experts and innovators from around the world, this conference serves as a catalyst for dialogue and discovery, shedding light on the latest trends and developments in digital transformation and its myriad applications across various fields. Through active participation in this conference, MSU faculty and students not only gain valuable insights into emerging technologies but also contribute to the global discourse on digital innovation, positioning themselves as thought leaders in their respective fields.

Finally, as an incoming member institution of the World Technology Universities Network (WTUN), MSU leverages its participation in the congress to forge strategic partnerships, share research findings, and explore opportunities for joint initiatives with peer institutions from around the world. MSU joined the 8th World Technology Universities Congress (WTUC2023) as Observer. WTUC2023 serves as a global forum for collaboration and knowledge exchange among leading universities dedicated to advancing science, technology, and innovation.

Future Directions

At the forefront of IALO's future directions lies the expansion of partnerships and collaborations with esteemed institutions around the world. Recognizing the transformative power of collaboration in driving academic excellence and innovation, IALO seeks to forge new alliances and strengthen existing partnerships, fostering a global network of knowledge exchange and cooperation. By cultivating strategic relationships with leading universities, research institutions, and industry partners, IALO aims to unlock new opportunities for faculty and students, facilitate joint research endeavors, and amplify MSU's impact on the global stage.

In tandem with expanding partnerships, IALO is committed to integrating internationalization efforts into MSU's strategic plan, ensuring that global engagement remains a central pillar of the university's mission and vision. By embedding internationalization objectives into the fabric of MSU's strategic framework, IALO aims to foster a culture of global citizenship and cross-cultural understanding among faculty, students, and staff. Through targeted initiatives and investments, IALO seeks to enhance the international profile of MSU, attract top talent from around the world, and position the university as a leader in addressing global challenges through collaborative research, innovation, and knowledge exchange.

Furthermore, IALO is dedicated to enhancing support services for international students and scholars, ensuring a welcoming and inclusive environment that promotes academic success and personal growth. Recognizing the unique needs and challenges to be faced by international members of the MSU community, IALO seeks to provide comprehensive support services, including assistance with visa and immigration matters, orientation programs, language and cultural integration support, and access to academic and career resources. By fostering a supportive and nurturing environment, IALO aims to empower international students and scholars to thrive academically, socially, and professionally during their time at MSU.

The future directions of IALO reflect a bold commitment to advancing global engagement and excellence at Mindanao State University. Through strategic partnerships, integrated internationalization efforts, and enhanced support services, IALO is poised to propel MSU to new heights of global impact and distinction, fostering a culture of collaboration, innovation, and inclusive excellence that transcends borders and transforms lives. As we embark on this journey towards a more interconnected and interdependent world, IALO remains steadfast in its mission to shape the future of internationalization at MSU and beyond.



First meeting of IALO Acting Director Melba M. Angni with the International Relation Officers of the different academic units of MSU-Main Campus discussing on the future directions of IALO



International Conference on Digital Transformation and Exchange (ICDXA 2024) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



Exploratory Meeting with Dean Yvonne Yeh of the Office of International Affairs of National Taiwan University of Science and Technology discussing scholarship, internship and educational experience opportunities for faculty, students, researchers and alumni of MSU

MSU's Potters Go Green: From Rice Husk Ash ("Umbe a llaw") to Artful Pottery

Engr. Johari M. Raki-in



Rice Husk Ash (Umbe A llaw)

At the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Philippines faced unprecedented challenges that rippled across various sectors, crippling businesses and disrupting the production chains of many industries. The Mindanao State University-Ceramics Development Center (MSU-CDC) was not spared by the crisis, resulting in a significant halt in the production of ceramics earthenware products due to the lack of essential supplies such as feldspar, silica, and other materials required for the production of traditional ceramics. Production was halted for several months, prompting MSU-CDC to explore alternative materials to maintain production.

Amid this challenging period, utilizing alternative materials became crucial for the MSU-CDC. One promising alternative that emerged during this time was Rice Husk Ash (RHA), locally known as "Umbe a llaw." This material is produced by burning rice husks and is typically discarded as waste. Lanao del Sur has accumulated substantial deposits of it due to the prevalence of the rice industry in the local economy, posing a significant environmental concern. The timely utilization of this material for practical purposes is imperative. The MSU-CDC recognized the latent potential of RHA, and its unique properties showed promise for overcoming the production obstacles caused by the pandemic.

The remarkable aspect of "RHA or Umbe A llaw" lies in its composition, as it comprises at least 90 percent silica—a vital component acting as a network former in glass and ceramics formation. This distinctive property did not escape the attention of the material science community, and the MSU-CDC embarked on a series of trial and error experiments to harness the full potential of RHA with the guidance of its very own Director, Engr. Acsara A. Gumal, Ph.D., and with the support of the Mindanao State University as a whole.

After meticulous research and testing, the MSU-CDC finally succeeded in incorporating Rice Husk Ash into its ceramics production process. The resulting product using local clay and RHA is light due to RHA's amorphous nature and low density. This property adds to the overall product, creating a porous ceramic product that can be used in other aspects of studying ceramics, such as ceramic filters, and others.



Engr. Johari Raki-in holding Rice Husk (Ukap) and Rice Husk Ash (Umbe A llaw)

The successful integration of RHA represented a significant breakthrough for the center, showcasing the adaptability and resilience of traditional craftsmanship in the face of unprecedented challenges.

The adoption of RHA as a non-plastic alternative additive to clay in pottery not only allowed the MSU-CDC to resume its ceramics production but also pioneered new pathways for sustainable and environmentally friendly practices in the industry. By bridging tradition with innovation, the center has not only overcome adversity but has also set an example for the potential of alternative materials in the field of ceramics.

This success story of the MSU-CDC serves as inspiration for other offices in Mindanao State University facing similar challenges and also for other institutions. It demonstrates that innovation and resourcefulness can pave the way for a resilient and sustainable future. As part of the Mindanao State University, which mandates the use of local resources for a sustainable approach, the embrace of alternative materials like Rice Husk Ash represents a positive step towards building a more robust and adaptable manufacturing landscape. This initiative is crucial to affirm that saying "if there is a will, there is a way, and if there is a will, there are many reasons" holds true. #

TOSSA: Honoring Exceptional Student Service

Jalaluddin M. Alonto and Abduljamii D. Macarambon

The Division of Student Affairs (DSA) held its Ten Outstanding Students Service Awarding (TOSSA) Ceremony last February 20, 2024 at the CHTM Pavilion, MSU-Main Campus. The said event actually paid tribute to 10 graduating students of the University who had consistently rendered service to the office despite the absence of financial compensation.

The TOSSA was actually created way back in 2010 when then DSA Director, the late Prof. Tambas Cader, along with some DSA staff felt that it was but judicious to recognize graduating students who unselfishly rendered service and collaborated with the office in the realization of their events. Hence, initially, Globe Telecom and Air 21 became the sponsors of the awards given to the first two batches of the TOSSA. Eventually, the award was institutionalized and became an integral part of the programs of the DSA.

However, unlike other awards conferred to graduating students, the rule categorically states that only DSA members of the selection committee have the responsibility of nominating and determining who should be the recipients of the said award. In effect, it is an imperative for the selection committee members to be cognizant of the basic rule that graduating students are not allowed to apply to be a TOSSA. This stems from the fact that, since the award is from the DSA, then it is also the members of the DSA selection committee who can best identify who among the graduating students are indeed deserving of the award. For them, maintaining such policy over the years had also allowed the integrity of the TOSSA to be sustained.

For this semester's version of the awarding ceremony, the Madasigon Batch, Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD, the Director of the Office of the Information, Press and Publication (OIIPP) and the Meranaw Cultural Heritage Center (MCHC) served as the guest speaker of the event. In her heartfelt message to the audience, which undeniably was full of wisdom, she underscored the implications regarding the herculean responsibilities that go along when one is a recipient of an award such as the TOSSA. Moreover, she even discussed the word AWARD as an acronym for awareness, willingness, attitude, result and drive and emphatically reminded everyone to always be the epitome of humility.



The TOSSA Recipients with the DSA Staff



The Ten Outstanding Students Service Awardees

For this year's TOSSA, the following were the recipients:

1. **Domingo, Peter John S.**
BS Tourism, College of Hotel and Tourism Management
2. **Lamanilao, Joan T.**
BSED Social Studies, College of Education
3. **Lawansa, Isamel Jr. S.**
BS Agricultural Engineering, College of Engineering
4. **Macalawan, Suhairah M.**
Bachelor of Early Childhood Education, College of Education
5. **Macarambon, Abduljamii D.**
BS Human Resource Management, College of Business Administration and Accountancy
6. **Macarik, Fahad D.**
BS Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering
7. **Hadji Mahmod, Mohammad M.**
BS Civil Engineering, College of Engineering
8. **Motalib Jonaina**
BSED Sciences, College of Education
9. **Sangcopan, Anaiz M.**
BS Public Administration, College of Public Affairs
10. **Suson, Anjelou B.**
BSED Social Studies, College of Education

Kudos to all the TOSSA recipients—Madasigon Batch!#



Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD receives Certificate of Recognition from DSA Director Aisah D. Munder for being the Guest Speaker of the TOSSA Awarding Ceremony.

A Night to Remember: Where the Madasigon Batch Takes Flight

Jalaluddin M. Alonto and Norashya M. Bayabao

On February 2, 2024, the MSU-Main Campus Division of Student Affairs Seniors' Council (SC) held a general assembly for graduating students at the Science Lecture Hall (SLH). During the gathering, SC officers, members, and advisors discussed suggestions for the graduating class's batch name and, more importantly, whether the students were still interested in holding or attending the Seniors' Ball.

Following extensive discussions, the graduating students remained open to holding the Seniors' Ball, provided that the administration could guarantee the safety of the venue and ensure it would not be held in the gymnasium, given the incident that occurred there in December 2023. Consequently, the MSU International Convention Center was chosen as the venue.



Photo opportunity with the winners of the Senior's Ball



Prod. Aisa D. Munder,
DSA Director



Prof. Jalaluddin M. Alonto,
Senior's Council Adviser

Based on the assembly's outcome, SC members pursued holding the Seniors' Ball on February 22, 2024. Security for the event was robust, with both the military and the MSU Peace Keeping Force (PKF) guaranteed the utmost safety of attendees. Military personnel even conducted a thorough inspection of the venue before the event, and trained dogs were present to sniff attendees' bags for any suspicious items.

As the graduates arrived at the venue, they were greeted by a band playing festive tunes. Themed "Black and White: A Classic Masquerade Ball," the event saw attendees entering in stunning attire that adhered to the theme, complemented by colorful and creative masks that added an air of mystery.

The program commenced with a spectacular opening performance by the Seniors' Council's lady singers and the CSSH Prime Mover dancers. Following this was a message from the DSA Director, Prof. Aisa D. Munder. One of the program's highlights was the deeply moving speech by the guest speaker, Prof. Sahara Iman Alonto of the Department of Psychology, who shared personal life experiences.

Professor Alonto's message focused not on her accomplishments or awards, but rather on the challenges she faced and how she overcame them. She also emphasized the importance of the "3 Ps" in life: Purpose, Plan, and People. Her insightful and practical explanations of these concepts resonated deeply with the audience.

Following Prof. Alonto's speech, the SC singers and CSSH Prime Movers delivered additional performances. The program arguably reached its peak when the graduating students walked the runway, showcasing their outfits and masks, which were then judged by alumni of the Seniors' Council. Undoubtedly, the lively and humorous hosting of Mr. Friendly Mark Andrino further enhanced the memorability of the Madasigon Batch Seniors' Ball.#



Photo during the Senior's Ball



Delegates from MSU-Main Campus, Marawi with the UPM and SEARCA officials during the Closing Ceremony



First group photo of MSU-Marawi delegates at Putrajaya, Malaysia



First Episode of Halal Talk



Fourth Episode of Halal Talk

Halal Talk via Radio Pilipinas Marawi: Re-echo of UPM-SEARCA International Research Knowledge on Halal Industry Training

Sitty Aynah P. Mala

The International Research Knowledge on Halal Industry Program, recently concluded and organized by Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) and the Southeast Asia Regional Center for Graduate Studies and Agricultural Research (SEARCA) has marked a significant milestone in the advancement of the halal industry in the Philippines. Held at the Everly Hotel, Putrajaya, from September 4-15, 2023, this collaborative effort brought together key players from State Universities and Colleges posing a promising outlook for the halal industry growth and development in the country.

Prof. Dr. Awis Qurni Sazili, the Director of the UPM Halal Product Research Institute (IPPH), emphasized the training-workshop's pivotal role in unlocking new avenues for the halal industry in the Philippines. With the global demand for halal-certified products and services on the ascent, this initiative holds immense potential for the Philippines, given its rich cultural diversity and substantial Muslim population.

From October 2023 to January 2024, a significant outcome of the training program emerged through the launch of "Halal Talk" via Radio Pilipinas Marawi, a collaborative nationwide broadcast with Presidential Broadcasting Service - Radyo Pilipinas Marawi. Hosted by Johannah N. Yusoph alongside participants from diverse colleges, including the College of Agriculture (Prof. Sitty Aynah P. Mala, Dr. Rashdi M. Casim, Prof. Shahriah K. Mautante, Prof. Rashida O. Abdul-rashid, Dr. Claire B. Salveda), College of Engineering (Prof. Mujahidah Ameenah D. Sharief), and College of Natural Science and Mathematics (Prof. Yusoph C. Manalundong II, Prof. Noushamsia C. Barosa, Ms. Sittie Jamelah R. Gumal), the initiative aimed to echo insights and experiences from Malaysia on the halal industry. This effort not only raised awareness about halal significance but also encouraged listeners to deepen their understanding of its various aspects. The overwhelmingly positive feedback and reactions from viewers and listeners unequivocally underscored the success of this endeavor.

Furthermore, it was recommended that resource persons from the Halal Talk be invited to initiate more halal research and become part of the Halal formulation policy in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). This activity will serve as a baseline for offering Halal 101 in the Mindanao State University System.

The UPM-SEARCA International Research Knowledge on Halal Industry Program not only provided valuable insights and knowledge exchange but also paved the way for practical applications and collaborations within the Philippines. With continued support and initiatives like these, the halal industry in the Philippines is poised for sustained growth and development, contributing to both economic progress and cultural diversity.

MSU-Main Campus Earns Recognition for Intellectual Property Excellence at Prestigious ITSSO Presidents' Summit

MSU-Main Campus secured commendable recognition at the recent Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines' (IPOPHL) ITSO Presidents' Summit 2024. Held annually, this esteemed event celebrates the achievements of members of the Innovation and Technology Support Office (ITSO) who have demonstrably met the stringent criteria of the ITSO 2.0 Clustering initiative for the preceding year (2023). The summit, which took place at the Dusit Thani Hotel in Makati City, served as a prominent venue to showcase the commitment and significant contributions of various institutions to the intellectual property (IP) landscape.

MSU-Main Campus Garneres Bronze and Silver Awards, Highlighting Exceptional Dedication to IP

During this momentous gathering, MSU-Main Campus was conferred with both the Bronze and Silver Awards, a strong indicator of its admirable dedication to fostering a culture of innovation and safeguarding intellectual property rights. The Bronze Award, a foundational accomplishment for all ITSOs, acknowledges the successful completion of 15 Intellectual Property Trainings.

The Silver Award signifies an even more distinguished level of commitment and excellence. To secure this prestigious recognition, ITSOs must navigate the demanding task of generating a minimum of 24 patent search reports. This meticulous process entails the comprehensive identification of existing patents pertinent to specific inventions or concepts, consequently playing a critical role in both the protection and advancement of intellectual property rights.

MSU's Dedication to IP

These awards stand as evidence of the university's earnest efforts in promoting and protecting the intellectual property rights of its entire academic community. This commitment extends to artists, researchers, and inventors—students and faculty members alike—ensuring their creations and innovations are fostered and safeguarded.

The MSU Intellectual Property Office, under the able leadership of Director Sarifa-Sofia Macarambon-Ali, received the award on behalf of the university.



Director Sarifa-Sofia Macarambon-Ali receives award on behalf of MSU.

MSU-Main Campus Clinches Top Taxpayer Award in Lanao del Sur

MSU-Main Campus Accounting Division

Mindanao State University (MSU) – Main Campus has been recognized by the BIR Revenue District Office 102 – Marawi City as the Top Taxpayer among Government Agencies in Lanao del Sur for the Taxable Year 2023.

The MSU-Main Campus delegation, headed by Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Atty. Saaduddin M. Alauya, CPA, Vice President for Administration and Finance Soraida A. Esmail, CPA, DM, and University Chief Accountant Tarhata M. Capal, CPA; together with the Accounting Division staff, received the award on March 5, 2024, at Capitol Gymnasium, Marawi City, Lanao del Sur.

Vice Chancellor Alauya conveyed his gratitude on behalf of the System President, Atty. Hassanul Basari D. Mapupuno and reiterated the University's unwavering commitment to fulfilling the District Office's collection goals for the taxable year 2024.

Chief Accountant Capal, extends her gratitude and utmost appreciation to all MSU-Main Campus taxpayers and strongly underscores that the university's recognition as the leading taxpayer in Lanao del Sur would not have been possible without the cooperation of all MSU-Main Campus employees.#



MSU Chief Accountant Tarhata M. Capal receives award in behalf of MSU-Main Campus as the Top Taxpayer among Government Agencies in Lanao del Sur for the Taxable Year 2023 during the 2024 BIR National Tax Campaign Kick Off Ceremony. (Photo from the FB page of MSU-Main Accounting Division)

MSU TIC Hosts Successful Patent Search Workshop

MSU Intellectual Property Office An IPOPHL-accredited ITSO

The MSU Technology and Innovation Center (MTIC) wrapped up a highly engaging 3-day Patent Search Workshop with students from the College of Engineering's Agriculture and Biosystems Engineering Department.

The workshop, funded by the Ministry of Science and Technology-BARMM, provided students with an informative journey into the realm of patent searching. Throughout the three days, participants explored 15 cutting-edge technologies, fostering a stimulating environment brimming with innovation and collaboration.

"Venturing into the realm of patent searching has been an informative journey," said an MTIC spokesperson. "From brainstorming to intense research, each moment has brimmed with innovation and collective effort."

The event would not be possible without the support of President Atty. Basari Mapupuno for his unwavering support of MTIC endeavors; the engineering students whose dedication and enthusiasm fueled the learning environment; Professors Noraisah Casim and Rohaima Diangca for their valuable guidance; the College of Information and Computing Sciences (CICS) and Information and Communications Technology Center (ICTC) for their invaluable support; the MSU- Technology and Innovation Center Staff led by Director Sarifa Sofia Ali; and the Ministry of Science and Technology - BARMM for providing the funding to make the workshop possible.

This successful workshop highlights the MTIC's commitment to fostering a culture of innovation and technological exploration among MSU students. #



Photo opportunity after the 3-day Patent Search Workshop



During the 2nd day of the Workshop

MSU-Marawi Opens First Integrated PUV Terminal, Implements PUV Ticketing System

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

Mindanao State University (MSU)-Marawi recently opened for use its first-ever Integrated PUV Terminal, marking a significant milestone in prioritizing student safety and generating additional income for the university.

This pioneering initiative establishes a safe and secure transportation hub for students, faculty, and staff, eliminating the need to wait on roadsides for public utility vehicles (PUVs). Additionally, MSU-Marawi is implementing the first official PUV ticketing system within the university, aiming to track incoming and outgoing vehicles.

The terminal will serve as a dual-pronged solution. Firstly, it provides a well-organized and convenient transportation hub catering to different PUV types. Secondly, the ticketing system ensures transparency and accountability, with all collected terminal fees by the University Business Office (UBO) and strictly adhering to the rules and regulations set by the Commission on Audit (COA). The generated revenue will be used to support various student needs and campus development projects.

MSU-Marawi's commitment to student safety and well-being, alongside its dedication to continuous development and transparent financial practices, is evident through this innovative project.



Above are photos of the first integrated PUV Terminal in the MSU-Main Campus

MSU Celebrates International Women's Month with "Herstory Writing Exhibit"

Raquela T. Dimalotang, MPA

"WE for gender equality and inclusive society."

The Center for Women's Studies (CWS), in partnership with the American Corner Marawi, MSU Scholarship Center, and PLAI BARM, successfully concluded its first activity for National Women's Month on March 8, 2024.

The culmination ceremony celebrated the "Herstory Writing Exhibit," an essay competition where participants profiled a remarkable woman who inspired their own perseverance and success. The ceremony began with opening remarks from CWS Executive Director Raquela T. Dimalotang, who welcomed guests and participants. Guest speaker Atty. Maria Estrellieta G. Lara, a MSU-Marawi alumna, then shared her inspiring journey to professional accomplishment.

Participants from various MSU colleges presented their essays to a panel of judges and the audience, contributing 10% to their final scores. After presentations, the judges deliberated and selected the top five winners.

The Winners are:

- 1st Place** : **Zulaika Maekaela P. Salazar**
College of Hospitality and Tourism Management
- 2nd Place (tie)** : **Nikka P. Falcon**
College of Health and Sciences
Khalid S. Damo
King Faisal Center for Islamic, Arabic and Asian Studies
- 3rd Place** : **Aisah Jenan Lacsaman**
College of Information and Computing Sciences
- 4th Place** : **Nasima O. Gubaten**
College of Education
- 5th Place** : **Lady Sorayah U. Indol**
College of Business Administration and Accountancy



Raquela T. Dimalotang, MPA
Director, Center for Women Studies

Zaalica B. Edres, RL, MLS,
Acting Director, University Library/
Director, American Corner Marawi

The ceremony concluded with closing remarks by Director Zaalica B. Edres of the American Corner Marawi and MSU-Main Library. She expressed her gratitude to participants, attendees, and collaborators.

The event would not have been possible without the support of several individuals and offices. Special thanks go to MSUS President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno for his unwavering support of Center for Women Studies activities; Atty. Maria Estrellieta for her inspirational message as the guest speaker; Director Zaalica B. Edres for providing the venue for the culmination ceremony; Director Faridah D. Alango, RGC, PhD, Director Linang M. Cabugatan, PhD, and Prof. Hasmin Abdulhalim, PhD for their service as judges; Head of Office of the University and VIP Lounge, Faisah Cader-Sangcopan, MPA, for her efforts in ensuring the essay writing contest's success; and lastly, to all other Heads of offices/Directors and guests who attended the culmination ceremony. #



Zulaika Maekaela P. Salazar,
1st Placer

Khalid S. Damo and Nikka P. Falcon
2nd Placers

Judges of the Essay Competition (From L to R): Scholarship Center Director Dr. Faridah D. Alango, RGC.; Agakhan Museum Director Dr. Linang M. Cabugatan; Atty. Maria Estrellieta; and Dr. Hasmin Abdulhalim
(Photo from The UNICA Post)

RMO, UQAO Partner for Training on Effective Records Management in Government Offices

Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez

The Records Management Office (RMO) of the Office of the President, led by Dr. Ibrahim H. Aliponto, joined forces with the University Quality Assurance Office (UQAO), headed by Atty. Jayneveb Recentes-Magolama, to conduct a comprehensive training program. The activity focused on establishing effective records management programs specifically designed for government offices.

This initiative aimed to equip key personnel within MSU-Main Campus, particularly designated Records Management Officers (RMOs) and Data Protection Officers (DPOs) from various units across the university.

Held on separate days at the OP Conference Room, the training program catered to different groups. On March 5th, the focus was on administrative units, while March 6th saw participation from academic and semi-academic units. The overarching goal remained consistent: equipping government personnel with the knowledge and skills necessary to implement best practices in records management.

Resource persons enriched the program with their expertise. Soraya P. Manamparan, RL, MSL of the University Library and a coordinator at the UQAO shared valuable insights. Her presentation focused on industry-standard practices for records and information management, specifically tailored for government offices. Beyond just theoretical knowledge, Ms. Manamparan offered practical tips gleaned from the University Library's experience, providing participants with real-world best practices to implement.



Records Management Office Staff headed by Director Ibrahim H. Aliponto together with the designated Records Management Officers and Data Protection Officers from different MSU-Main Campus units

Dr. Aliponto further deepened the discussions by delving into a crucial aspect of efficient record-keeping, the records disposition. He explored effective methods and enabling policies that can be used to manage this vital process.

Atty. Recentes-Magolama offered another key perspective. She provided valuable insights on securing government records and the measures adopted to safeguard sensitive information. Her legal expertise added another dimension to the training, as she highlighted the relevant legal framework surrounding records management and data protection.

Executive Vice President Dr. Rasid M. Paca emphasized the significance of the training program. He underscored that it is a crucial process not only for MSU-Main Campus but for all government offices. On her closing remarks, Inshira Alonto-Ala of the OP commended organizing team for their dedication to standardizing the university's records management system.

This collaborative effort by the RMO and UQAO serves as a testament to their unwavering commitment. Their dedication lies in promoting efficient, transparent, and secure record keeping practices within MSU-Main Campus. Ultimately, this initiative plays a vital role in ensuring the university's accountability and smooth operation.



Left photo: EVP Dr. Rasid M. Paca receives a token from RMO Director Dr. Ibrahim H. Aliponto and RMO Assistant Director Abdani R. Al-Rashid, MPA. Right photo: Soraya P. Manamparan, RL, MSL receives her token of appreciation for being one of the resource persons of the training.



RMOs and DPOs from semi-academic and academic units of MSU



OP, RMO, and UQAO personnel who facilitated and organized the event

MSU-Main Campus Launches Rabies Awareness Month Program

OIPP EIC

The MSU-Main Campus in Marawi City kicked off Rabies Awareness Month on March 4, 2024 with a program held at the International Convention Center.

The program is part of a nationwide campaign to promote a rabies-free environment. MSU officials invited heads of academic units, students from the College of Agriculture and College of Health Sciences, pet owners, and animal advocates to attend the event.

Rabies is a serious viral disease that can be fatal if left untreated. Dog bites are the main source of rabies. "We need to be hopeful that we can vaccinate all our animals in the campus or province. We also hope to have a pound for stray animals," said Doc Al of the Provincial Veterinary office in his speech.

The MSU program is one of many rabies awareness activities happening across the Philippines throughout March.

This information drive is spearheaded by the Special Concerns Office under the Office of the President of MSU. It was attended by MSU academic and Semi-academic officials and some students from Colleges of Agriculture, College of Health Sciences and some students from the department of Communication and Media Studies.



Dr. Ramli V. Usman,
University Infirmary Director

Dr. Al-Hussein O. Domaot,
LDS Provincial Veterinarian



Dr. Domaot enlightens the participants about the significance of providing Rabies vaccine.

MSU High Schoolers Attend Warna Langkit Club Workshop

OIPP EIC

Marawi City, Philippines - High school students from MSU-Integrated Laboratory School (MSU-ILS) and MSU-Main Senior High School (MSU MSHS) delved into the rich artistic traditions of the Meranaw people at a special workshop hosted by the Meranaw Cultural Heritage Center – Warna Langkit Club on March 1, 2024.

The workshop, held at the Dulang Area, Meranaw Cultural Heritage Center (MCHC) Building, provided students with a hands-on experience under the guidance of experienced instructors from the Warna Langkit Club, Ma'am Jahara A. Solaiman. The workshop focused on teaching the participants watercolor painting.

This immersive workshop went beyond just learning the technical skills. It aimed to foster a deeper appreciation for the cultural significance and history embedded within each art form. Through their participation, students gained a newfound respect for the Meranaw people's artistic heritage and its enduring legacy.

The Meranaw Cultural Heritage Center - Warna Langkit Club is dedicated to preserving and promoting the unique cultural identity of the Meranaw people. This workshop served as an excellent platform for fostering cultural exchange and understanding between the younger generation and the custodians of these age-old traditions.



Participants of Warna Langkit Club Workshop together with Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD and the Workshop Trainer Ms. Jahara A. Solaiman are holding their art works.

MSUAA Marawi Campus Chapter Holds General Assembly Meeting and Get Together

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

The Mindanao State University Alumni Association (MSUAA) Marawi Campus Chapter (MCC) held its General Assembly Meeting and Get Together on February 27, 2024, at the CHARM Pavilion. The event, officially opened by Engr. Labimombao Macabando, MSUAA-MCC President, provided a platform for alumni to reconnect, share ideas, and celebrate their shared university experience.

Atty. Saaduddin M. Alauya, Jr., Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance, delivered a speech on behalf of the System President, highlighting the importance of alumni engagement in the university's continued growth and development. Vice President Soraida A. Esmail also addressed the gathering, followed by an inspiring message from Atty. Wenida Papandayan, the Executive Judge of Lanao del Sur.

Beyond the formal program, the event fostered a sense of community and camaraderie among attendees. Alumni engaged in discussions about the chapter's direction, networked with fellow graduates, and reminisced about their time at MSU.

This gathering served as a crucial platform for the MSUAA Marawi Campus Chapter to strengthen its alumni network, promote engagement, and celebrate the enduring legacy of the university.



The photos show the MSU alumni who attended the General Assembly Meeting and Get Together at the CHARM Pavilion.

CED Expands Partnerships for Enhanced Impact

Manar H. Macapodi, MAELT



During the MOA signing

The College of Education participated in two successive signings of Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Region 10, the College of Public Affairs (CPA), and LGU Taraka. The first signing took place on February 15, 2024, at the City Hall Office of Marawi City, and the second occurred on February 22, 2024, at the Municipality of Taraka, Lanao del Sur.

The purpose of the MOAs is to implement the Tara, Basa: Tutoring Program, an initiative of DSWD Region 10. This program aims to reach out to underprivileged children and their parents who are struggling readers through tutoring and "Nanay-Tatay Sessions."

These significant events brought together esteemed figures from various institutions: DSWD Assistant Secretary for Innovations Cluster Atty. Baldr H. Bringas; MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno; Local Chief Executive of Marawi City Atty. Majul U. Gandamra; Municipal Mayor Atty. Amenodin U. Sumagayan; DSWD Region X Assistant Regional Director for Administration Dir. Salmah M. Basher; Dir. Marcelo Nicomedes J. Castillo, CESO III, Director IV, Social Technology Bureau, DSWD; Ministry of Basic, Higher and Technical Education (MBHTE) Schools Division Superintendent Dr. Anna Zenaida Unte Alangadi-Alonto; Dean of the College of Public Affairs Prof. Soraidah B. Ali; and Dean of the College of Education Dr. Minerva-Saminah Mambuay Naga.

The College of Education looks forward to further engagement and partnerships with schools and institutions across Lanao del Sur, all working towards the shared vision of placing the utmost importance on education. As always, the College of Education, MSU-Main Campus in Marawi City, remains committed to extending its services to the school community, working hand-in-hand with the national government to ignite hope among the youth through quality education. #

MSU Commits to Long-Term Healing with Launch of PHWC

Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez

Deeply affected by the December 3rd Bombing Incident, which left him carrying immense personal pain even beyond the suffering of the victims, MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno spearheaded the creation of the Panginam Healing and Wellness Center (PHWC), officially launched on February 21, 2024 at the Dimaporo Gymnasium of MSU-Main Campus.

The center, aptly named "Panginam," a Meranaw term which translates to "Hope", signifies the university's unswerving commitment to the well-being of its entire community, particularly those grappling with the aftermath of the tragedy. This initiative, which was realized through the collaborative efforts of different MSU units, aims to provide holistic mental health and psychosocial support services, fostering healing and well-being to the entire MSU community, particularly after facing numerous challenges in its pursuit of delivering quality education to the entire MINSUPALA.

The launching ceremony was a poignant occasion attended by prominent MSU officials, faculty, staff, students, representatives from partner organizations including National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF) and Ministry of Health (MOH), and some survivors of the December 3 Bombing Incident.

Dr. Amerkhan Cabaro, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, expressed his strong support for the center, highlighting its potential to foster a culture of care and healing within the university. He also highlighted the potential collaboration between different academic units and the center and the possible integration of wellness programs into the university's academic curriculum.

The ceremony featured a Du'a led by Aleem Mohammad Rajjal B. Manumbilao, a faculty of the King Faisal Center for Islamic, Arabic and Asian Studies (KFCIAAS), and a prayer led by Reverend Monsignor Ramonito S. Torres, a Vicar General and Chaplain of MSU Chaplaincy and one of the survivors of the said incident. A deeply emotional moment arose during the flower and ribbon offering by university officials to the bombing survivors



PHWC staff with President Mapupuno and some survivors of December Bombing Incident



President Mapupuno unveils the logo of the Panginam Healing and Wellness Center during the launching ceremony.

Two survivors bravely shared their experiences and hopes through heartfelt letters, detailing their initial fear and the gradual healing process facilitated by the university's psychosocial and mental health services. They also expressed their trust in MSU to fulfill their dreams and their desire for a peaceful university environment.

In his special message, President Mapupuno underscored the university's dedication to providing quality mental healthcare through the center, acknowledging it as a direct response to the trauma caused by the bombing. He outlined the various services offered by the center, including mental health and psychosocial support, stress management, and counseling. In addition, he also introduced the individuals who will be managing the center headed by Prof. Aminoding B. Limpao, Ph.D.

Dr. Limpao encouraged everyone to embrace compassion, expressing his hope that the center will bring immense benefit to the entire community. The event also featured a musical performance by Nelson Tiger John N. Gananchial II with his original composition, "One MSU," further solidified the spirit of unity and resilience within the university.

The ceremony concluded with Vice President for Planning and Development, Engr. Rodrigo S. Baid, acknowledging the lasting impact of the bombing incident, not just physically but also mentally. He expressed his gratitude to the President for his dedication to establishing the center. The event culminated with the singing of the Himno ng Pamantasan by the University Band.

The Panginam Healing and Wellness Center, which will be located at the old Information and Communication Technology Center (ICTC) building, serves as a testament to the university's unwavering commitment to recovery and development. It is poised to play a pivotal role in promoting well-being and fostering a brighter future for all.



Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, MSU System President

Prof. Aminoding B. Limpao, Ph.D., Head of Panginam Healing and Wellness Center

ASA Philippines Foundation Explores Collaboration with MSU-Marawi on Islamic Microfinance and More

Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez

Representatives from the ASA Philippines Foundation visited Mindanao State University-Main Campus on February 21, 2023, to discuss potential collaborations on various programs. The ASA Philippines Foundation delegation included Chief Operating Officer Maria Regina L. Pacifico, Senior Vice President Anjer H. Juraini, Assistant Vice President Ahmad S. Rasul, Comptroller Ferdinand U. Jikiri, Islamic Finance Consultant Maharlika J. Alonto, and Benhar A. Buin.

ASA Philippines Foundation, a non-profit specializing in microfinance and financial services, aims to empower Filipinos through financial inclusion. This visit highlights their commitment to expanding their reach and impact in areas like Marawi City, which is still recovering from the 2017 siege, by working with MSU-Main Campus.



MSU Officials headed by the System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno together with the delegates of ASA Philippine Foundation

MSU officials in attendance included System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, BOR Secretary Atty. Shidik T. Abantas, Vice President for Administrative and Finance Atty. Saaduddin A. Alauya, Jr., and IALO Director Prof. Melba M. Angni. CBAA Dean Prof. Sahraman D. Hadji Latif, KFCIAAS Dean Dr. Abdulcader M. Ayo, Presidential Executive Assistant Atty. Hanimai I. Macumbal-Yusoph, and Financial Consultant Potre A. Macarambon were also present during the event.

The meeting, that was conducted at the OP Conference Room, focused on exploring collaborative efforts in several areas, including research, capacity building activities, and extension services related to Islamic microfinance. ASA Philippines Foundation's expertise could lead to the development of Sharia-compliant financial products for the local community, while collaboration on education and capacity building could equip individuals with the necessary financial literacy and entrepreneurial skills for halal businesses. Following the discussions, the delegates were presented with tokens of appreciation.

The positive outcome of the meeting is expected to pave the way for further discussions and the development of concrete plans for collaboration through a Memorandum of Understanding and/or a Memorandum of Agreement. This potential partnership between ASA Philippines Foundation and MSU-Marawi holds significant promise for promoting halal financial inclusion, fostering economic development, and empowering communities in Marawi City, surrounding areas, and potentially even the entire Bangsamoro region.

Rostrum Shines in Regional Debate Competition

Atty. Rashid V. Pandi

Members of ROSTRUM, the MSU-Main Debate Varsity, paid a courtesy visit to the Office of the President to share their recent triumph. The varsity secured the novice championship at the Mindanao Intervarsity hosted by Xavier University.

The varsity extends its heartfelt gratitude to Pres. Mapupuno for the unconditional support that played a pivotal role in their achievement. Noteworthy performances include one team also reaching the finals in the novice category, and two others advancing to the open breaks (quarterfinals). Additionally, two adjudicators earned well-deserved recognition in the breaks.

Adding touch to the accomplishment, the varsity participated in the competition aboard the official MSU coaster—a monumental moment, marking the first time in years.

Congratulations to the MSU Debate Varsity on this remarkable feat!



President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno with PMS Director Atty. Rashid V. Pandi, BOR Secretary Atty. Shidik T. Abantas, and the members of Rostrum (Photo grabbed from the Mindanao State University Main Campus-Marawi Facebook page)

MSRC Staff Join SCS Orientation and Mentoring Program

Sittie Aina T. Pandapatan

The select staff of the Mamitua Saber Research Center participated in the SCS Orientation: "Be a Career Scientist!" in Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) on February 20-21, 2024 at Paragon Hotel, Cotabato City. It was attended by the Career Scientists in the Philippines and the participants from different agencies and Higher Education Institutions in BARMM.

The two-day event consisted of Scientific Career System (SCS) Orientation, Career Talks, and SCS Mentoring Program. In Day 1, Scientific Career System was discussed including the qualifications to become Career Scientist who has a role of a permanent full-time researcher, its process, and conferment as scientist. Topics on Predatory Journals and Conferences, Ethics for Researchers, and Department of Science and Technology Magna Carta Benefits of Career Scientists were also presented by the renowned Career Scientists in the country.

The second day focused on SCS Mentoring Program in which the requirements for admission in the SCS were discussed. It also centered on the discussion of Scientific Productivity and Scientific Accomplishments and Guidelines. The workshop and one-on-one mentoring with Career Scientists namely Dr. Mudjekeewis D. Santos, Dr. Merdelyn T. Cassi-Lit, Dr. Maria Corazon A. De Ungria, Dr. Casiano H. Choresca, Jr., Dr. Leny C. Galvez, Forester Arsenio B. Ella, and Dr. Imelda Angeles-Agdeppa took place. In this session, participants were grouped according to their research interests and were mentored by designated Career Scientists.

The MSRC staff actively participated in the Open Forum, clarifying the possible eligibility of other plantilla positions to be qualified as Career Scientists. After the mentoring, they also presented the key takeaways of their respective roundtable discussions with the Career Scientists and other participating agencies.



The select MSRC staff attending the SCS Orientation and Mentoring. (L-R) Sittie Aina Pandapatan, Amerah-Cris Abduljalil, Aminah Disamburun, Benbellah-Ali Damdamun (Research Specialist, BARMM-MOST), Elien Torres, Prof. Dexter Canalita, and Jade Palisbo.

As resonated in the event, scientific publications are the lifeblood of science and are strongly correlated to a nation's progress. The speakers also focused on fostering research culture through integrity, ethics, and governance which are combinedly called the trinity of good research.

One of the members of the National Academy of Science and Technology (NAST) advised that one must pursue higher education, hone one's writing skills, embrace life learning attitude, learn new skills, attend scientific conferences and webinars, and publish research outputs.

As the Career Scientists shared their scientific journey, success, and opportunities, they hope to inspire research enthusiasts from BARMM to choose a research career path with the NAST and to scout the first ever Career Scientist of BARMM. #

MSU Equips IGP Units with Basic Bookkeeping Workshop

OIPP EIC

In an effort to enhance its Income Generation Projects (IGPs) with essential financial management skills, Mindanao State University (MSU) conducted a three-day Basic Bookkeeping Workshop at the MSU CHARM Pavillion, held from January 31 to February 2, 2024.

The workshop, aimed at equipping MSU-Marawi IGPs with the fundamental knowledge and tools for effective record-keeping and financial reporting, attracted a diverse group of participants representing various university departments and initiatives.

Resource speakers, experts in accounting and finance from the Department of Accountancy of the College of Business Administration and Accountancy led the participants through interactive sessions covering key bookkeeping principles, from recording transactions to preparing financial statements. The workshop emphasized the importance of accurate and timely financial records for effective project management, transparency, and accountability.

This initiative is led by the Office of the President in taking a proactive step towards ensuring the responsible and transparent use of resources, ultimately contributing to the university's continued growth and development.



Presidential Executive Assistant Atty. Hanimai I. Macumbal-Yusoph, CPA



Muhammad Zuhair L. Gani, CPA

MSU-IPDM Celebrates World Hijab Day

Aliah P. Cali-Pascan



MSU students and staff join the celebration of World Hijab Day.

February 1st is marked as World Hijab Day, aiming to raise awareness and promote understanding about the peaceful and harmonious way of life associated with modest dressing. This year's theme, "Veiled in Strength," embodies the event's spirit. MSU IPDM, in collaboration with the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos, GAD Focal Person, Lanao del Sur, and Philippine Muslim Women Incorporated, held its celebration in the IPDM Convergence Hall on February 1, 2024.

MSU IPDM, partnered with the aforementioned organizations, invited empowered and empowering women to participate. This included members of the Federation of Women Royalties and MSU officials who were considered empowered women. Additionally, empowering students from the History Department and Fundamentals of Peace subject were invited to witness the event.

Executive Judge Wenida Papandayan, who is a member of both the Philippine Muslim Women Incorporated and the Federation of Women Royalty, formally opened the event by welcoming the participants.



In the photos are non-muslim MSU studentts who are choosing their hijab and trying to wear it.

Guests who were non-Muslims, including Prof. Glenda Caluza, Prof. Mercy Camasura, Prof. Cherrilyn Mojica, and Jhozylou Palasigue, shared their reflections on wearing the hijab. Their reflections unanimously highlighted the hijab as a symbol of security, freedom, expression, and devotion. They emphasized the absence of external pressures and the importance of respect over discrimination.

Donated hijabs were distributed to the attendees. Bai Norhata Alonto, President of Philippine Women Center Incorporated, shared verses from the Holy Quran that address World Hijab Day, specifically Surah Al-Ahzab, verse 59, and Surah Al-Noor, verse 31, that make mention of the hijab and its importance. She encouraged everyone to delve deeper into understanding the choices made by Muslim women.

Students received their hijabs from the secretariat. Finally, Dr. Anisah Mapupuno-Languindab delivered closing remarks, reminding everyone that wearing the hijab embodies strength.

The following generous individuals donated hijabs:

1. EJ Baelabi Hon. Wenida Papandayan
2. Bai Commissioner Norhata Alonto
3. VP Doc Soraida Esmail
4. Bae Zaalica Yusoph
5. Baelabi Rahanna Biston Macaayong
6. Baelabi Jehanne Mutin
7. NCMF GAD Focal Person Dr. Anisah Mapupuno-Laguindab
8. Potree Maamor sa Toros Shalina Ali Sani
9. Director Zaalica Edris
10. Director Edenairah Esmail
11. DirectorAtty. Jayneveb Recentes-Magolama
12. Director Linang Macabalang
13. Baelabi Aimee Dia
14. Prof. Rashida Abdulrashid
15. Bae Hanifah Aisah Adiong
16. Princess Charima Mamari
17. Bae Hasmin Balang
18. Hadjah Fatimah Minang Lomondong
19. Baelabi a Samporna sa Marinaut
20. Bae Prof. Norain Ampang
21. Prof. Wafa P. Cali
22. Bae Waffa Guroalim Cali
23. Prof. Khayronesah Abbas
24. Bae Amerah Lantud
25. Director Dr. Hanimah Lao
26. Director Aliah P. Cali-Pascan
27. Executive Director Ayesha Merdeka Alonto
28. NCMF GAD Focal Team
29. Bae Saima Pacalna Limpao
30. Bae a Waris Jeharra Dalima Indol
31. Baelabi Norlainie R. Macasalong sa Pangiyampay sa Maguing, Lanao del Sur

MSU-UTC Shines at the 26th Philippine Mathematical Olympiad

MSU-University Training Center

Mindanao State University-University Training Center (MSU-UTC) received a prestigious invitation to join the 26th Philippine Mathematical Olympiad, a highly competitive event involving more than 5,500 students nationwide. Under the mentorship of Mr. Soraim I. Hadjinor, a faculty member at MSU-UTC, Norol-Azah B. Racman, a Grade 10 student, emerged as one of the top performers in the BARMM Region during the Qualifying Stage of PMO. This accomplishment was celebrated at the grand 26th Philippine Mathematical Olympiad Awarding Ceremony held at Singson Hall, Grade School, Ateneo de Manila University, Katipunan Avenue, Quezon City, Manila on February 18, 2024.

The journey toward this impressive achievement began with a qualifying round at MSU-Iligan Institute of Technology in Iligan City on December 2, 2023, where the top 100 students from various schools advanced to the Area Stage (BARMM). Dr. Richard Eden, a professor at ADMU and Director of the Philippine Math Olympiad, played a crucial role in offering this esteemed opportunity to the school. This remarkable feat not only highlights the exceptional academic capabilities of MSU-UTC but also demonstrates the steadfast dedication and guidance of its faculty members in nurturing and developing extraordinary mathematical talent, a source of immense pride for the institution and the entire BARMM region. #



Photo above: The Top Performers of Philippine Mathematical Olympiad; Photo below: MSU-UTC Grade 10 student Norol-Azah B. Racman and her mentor Mr. Soraim I. Hadjinor

MSU System President Joins CSSH 39th Founding Anniversary Celebration

Fayzah Inshirah Cosna A. Ala and Alkhairia Rangiris
The UNICA Post



President Mapupuno gives flowers to the CSSH faculty members. (Photo from the Facebook page of MSU College of Social Sciences & Humanities)

"Energized. I feel the energy of CSSH," said President Mapupuno during the couch session.

The MSU System President, Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, joined the College of Social Sciences and Humanities (CSSH) on its 39th Founding Anniversary last February 23, 2024. In an exclusive Couch Session, the president was able to cater to the concerns of the CSSH faculty members and the students some of which centered on peace education plans and faculty development.

Mr. Khalid D. Rinamuntao, a member of the CSSH Executive Committee, explained the purpose of the program. "Other than to raise concerns, this is also to know the plans of President Basari Mapupuno in terms of integrating peace education in our university," said Mr. Rinamuntao.

"I am happy that the President is already working on it [Peace Education] to be a part of our curriculum and to be expanded to other MSU campuses," he added.

One of the questions raised during the session was the issue of attracting students amidst the negativities brought upon by the recent bombing incident. "We have to show them that we are alright here inside the campus and that security measures have already been installed. The only thing left for us to do is to follow," assured Atty. Mapupuno. The president also emphasized how following rules and policies is integral to keeping the university's peace.

Aside from the peace forum, the president also actively engaged with the CSSH faculty members by participating in a raffle draw and sing-along. Moreover, Atty. Mapupuno handed out roses to show his appreciation to the attendees. Faculty members expressed their appreciation to the president's efforts for the event.

Ms. Aufe Fallado, a faculty member of the Psychology department, shared, "It is a very meaningful thing for me that the President himself really gave flowers to the faculty members and the students." She also stated how she loved the carefree and fun energy that everyone had.

URAD 2024 Takes the MSHS by Storm

Haniah Kryz E. Ilupa

MSU-Marawi Senior High School's URAD this year, themed "MSHS Rising and Winning Amidst Adversities," raised a fever among its faculty, staff, and most especially, students. The URAD (Unite. Revere. Accelerate. Deliver.) is an annual tradition of literary, musical, and sports festival of the school.

Students were randomly distributed among the six houses, Masakaw (Hospitable/Friendly), Makasag (Active), Mawntol (Righteous/Principled), Pkhasarigan (Trustworthy), Maongangun (Wise/Tactful) and Rawaten (Model). The names of the houses are the unique qualities of Meranaw youth, especially the students of MSU MSHS.

Organized by the school through the initiatives of the Supreme Student Council and faculty members, Ms. Omaimah K. Omar and Mr. Saadodin P. Cosain, the jampacked two-day program ignited a sense of camaraderie and competitiveness among the students.

The URAD kicked off on the morning of January 30, 2024 with a parade to the MSU Grandstand. Students headed by their mascots and house leaders showcased their houses through their colors and costumes. The parade then transitioned into the opening program, with an aerobics dance headed by the Sports track chairperson, Prof. Cory Jane R. Palencia and select faculty and staff members. Students were then entertained by the houses' chants and yells as each house was introduced. The program formally opened after a short message by the URAD 2024 chairperson, Ms. Omar.

Thereafter, Members of the houses competed against each other in the various events in Literary-Musical and Sports and Games categories. The sports and games category included parlor games, basketball, volleyball, and athletics (100-meter run, 200-meter dash, 400-meter dash, relay). The literary-musical category consisted of poster-making, spoken poetry, essay-writing, debate, and vocal

Below are the overview of the results:

Literary-Musical Category

Event	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Poster-making	Maongangun	Pkasarigan	Makasag
Essay-writing	Maongangun	Pkasarigan	Makasag
Spoken Poetry	Makasag	Masakaw	Mawntol
Vocal Duet	Mawntol	Masakaw	-
Debate	Mawntol	Masakaw	-

Sports and Games Category

Event	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Basketball	Maongangun	Rawaten	Masakaw
Volleyball (Girls)	Makasag	Maongangun	Masakaw
Volleyball (Boys)	Masakaw	Maongangun	Pkasarigan
100-meter dash (Girls)	Mawntol	Pkasarigan	Masakaw
200-meter dash (Girls)	Pkasarigan	Masakaw	Rawaten
Relay (8*50)	Maongangun	Pkasarigan	Mawntol
100-meter dash (Boys)	Maongangun	Rawaten	Mawntol
200-meter dash (Boys)	Rawaten	Pkasarigan	Masakaw
400-meter dash (Boys)	Masakaw	Makasag	Rawaten
Relay (4*100)	Maongangun	Rawaten	Pkasarigan
Mixed relay (8*50)	Rawaten	Makasag	Masakaw
Parlor Games (over-all)	Maongangun	Masakaw	Makasag

OVER-ALL

Place	House	Total Points Earned
Champion/First Place	Maongangun	308
Second Place	Masakaw	306
Third Place	Mawntol	248
Fourth Place	Makasag	244
Fifth Place	Rawaten	243
Sixth Place	Pkasarigan	220

duet. Literary events were held simultaneously in different MSHS classrooms while the sports and games were held at the MSU Grandstand. Meanwhile, the vocal duet and debate championships were held at the Science Lecture. Each event carries with it winning points that were thereafter added to determine the over-all champion.

In the end, the house Maongangun emerged victorious, earning an overall rating of 308 points. House Masakaw won second place with 306 points and House Mawntol won third place with 248 points.

The closing and awarding program on January 31, 2024 at the Science Lecture Hall was filled with yells, cheers, and laughters as members of the houses rooted for their participants. Students were given their medals and trophies as well as their prizes which they gleefully distributed to their fellow house members. In the end, to the gladness of all students, all houses received awards and prizes. In her message, Director Prof. Junaina M. Dimalna thanked the University President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, including the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Dr. Amerkhan G. Cabaro and Presidential Management Staff Director Atty. Rashid V. Pandi, for his all-out support that made the program possible. She also mentioned the great collective effort it took from the faculty, staff and student officers and volunteers for the program to be successful. She also expressed her gratitude for the students' active participation and congratulated everyone. "I know that all of you, just like me, will forever hold dear the core memories we have made together," she stated.

In closing, the SSC President, Moh'd Ryan Cornell, thanked the Director, Prof. Dimalna for her overwhelming support, as well as the faculty and staff coordinators and organizers. He also thanked his fellow SSC officers for their hard work and dedication in organizing the URAD 2024.



Director Dimalna with students waiting for the results at the SLH



MSHS Faculty and Staff with Director Dimalna during the Awarding and Closing Ceremony at the SLH

“Today is your opportunity
to build the tomorrow
you want.”

~Ken Poirot



MSU-Main Campus Connects Alumni with Opportunities at Hybrid Job Fair 2024

Dr. Hanima Salic-Lao

The Mindanao State University (MSU) Marawi campus partnered with the Public Employment Service Office (PESO) Marawi to host a thriving job fair. Dr. Hanimah Salic-Lao, Director of the MSU Alumni Relations and Career Center, spearheaded the initiative, demonstrating the university's commitment to its graduates' professional growth.

The well-attended event aimed to connect MSU alumni seeking employment with potential employers from various sectors. This fostered a platform for career exploration, with alumni gaining valuable insights into diverse job opportunities.

Representatives from government agencies like PESO Marawi, the Civil Service Commission, (CSC) Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao-Human Resource Development Office (BARMH-HRDO), Ministry of Labor and Employment (MOLE-BARMH) Lanao del Sur and Marawi City Field Office, and the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF)-Lanao were present. Additionally, industry leaders from companies and schools Soti and Lindongan Enterprises y Macala Business Group, Personal Collection, Jamiatu Dansalan Al-Islamia Foundation, Incorporated (JDIF), Landbank of the Philippines (LBP) Marawi Branch, Philippine National Bank (PNB), DXSO Radyo Pilipinas, and the MSU-Alumni Association (MSUAA)-Marawi Chapter actively participated.

The job fair was not just about finding employment; it offered a holistic approach to career development. Alumni received valuable guidance from experts on resume writing, interview skills, and navigating the professional landscape. This empowered them to confidently approach potential employers and showcase their qualifications. The opportunity to network with industry professionals further enhanced their prospects, forging connections that could lead to future career opportunities.

MSU's dedication to its alumni community extends beyond job fairs. The university provides ongoing support through professional development programs, mentorship initiatives, and career counseling services. This commitment ensures that graduates have the resources they need to thrive in their chosen fields.

The job fair was not limited to MSU alumni. Recognizing its role as a community partner, the university extended the opportunity to the broader Marawi community. This aligned with MSU's extension service mission, providing valuable access to employment opportunities for local residents. #



Some of the MSU Officials who attended the Hybrid Job Fair 2024



Director Salic-Lao with the PESO Marawi



MSU Alumni who participated in the Job Fair activity

MSU, Marawi City, and 7 Barangays Sign Agreement to Enhance Peace and Security

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

A landmark agreement was signed on January 19, 2024 between Mindanao State University (MSU), the City Government of Marawi, and the seven barangays situated within the premises of MSU-Main Campus to enhance cooperation on maintaining peace and order.

The tripartite memorandum of agreement (MOA) was signed at 10 AM on January 19, 2024 at the Office of the President Conference Room in the MSU-Main campus. Signing on behalf of MSU was University President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno, Marawi City Mayor Majul U. Gandamra signed for the city, while the barangay chairpersons signed on behalf of their respective communities, namely: Hon. Sobaida M. Salic, Hon. Abdulhalim D. Limbona, Hon. Sahara A. Bacarat, Hon. Mohammad Saifollah L. Lao, Hon. Mahid U. Salic, Hon. Anwar S. Tago, Jr., and Hon. Potre Nurhaleyda S. Salic.



From L to R: MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno and Marawi City Mayor Atty. Majul Gandamra



MSU System President Mapupuno and Marawi City Mayor Atty. Gandamra are signing the MOA.

The MOA lays out a framework for cooperation between the three parties on matters concerning security, crime prevention, emergency response, and maintenance of peace and order within MSU and its surrounding area.

As opened by the University Secretary, Atty. Shidik Abantas, he said, "This event is historical for both MSU and the City of Marawi." This event highlighted that this cooperation was an important gesture that could have been there since the creation of the campus within the city.

The MOA signing was witnessed by top university officials, city hall executives, police and military representatives, student leaders, and barangay constituents. In his remarks, Mayor Gandamra said that this is the City government's way of supporting quality education; and concerted effort to pursue peace in the city and the MSU campus.

The agreement will take effect immediately and remains valid in this administration subject to regular reviews and renewals.



MSU officials headed by President Mapupuno with Marawi City Government officials led by Atty. Gandamra and the chairpersons and representatives of the seven barangays



President Mapupuno with Mayor Gandamra and the seven barangay chairpersons and representatives

MSU-Main Campus and BSC Team Up for Sports Development in BARMM

Nasrimah R. Sampaco-Fayez

The Mindanao State University-Main Campus (MSU-Main) and the Bangsamoro Sports Commission (BSC) signed a historic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on January 21, 2024 at the VIP Lounge of MSU, Marawi City. The MOU signing was witnessed by some MSU System and Marawi officials, unit heads, faculty, and staff and representatives from Bangsamoro Sports Commission (BSC) and Philippine Sports Commission (PSC). It marks a significant step towards harnessing the athletic potential of the region and nurturing future sporting champions.

BSC Consultant Jamilnur D. Sarip highlighted the transformative power of sports, emphasizing its potential to empower the Bangsamoro community, which is also the mandate of the commission. PMS Director Atty. Rashid V. Pandi emphasized MSU's commitment to sports development, a passion shared by MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno who is an athlete himself.

The core of the ceremony featured unwavering commitment messages from both leaders. BSC Chairman Dr. Arsalan A. Diamoden pledged the commission's dedication to identifying and nurturing sporting talent within the Bangsamoro, while Atty. Mapupuno reaffirmed MSU's unwavering support in providing the educational and training infrastructure necessary for the partnership to flourish.

The symbolic signing of the MOU solidified the partnership, paving the way for collaborative efforts in athlete identification, training programs, sports facilities development, and academic support initiatives. This united front promises to revolutionize sports development in the region. Adding further weight to the occasion, PSC Chairman Hon. Richard Bachmann conveyed his resounding support. He commended the partnership and pledged active involvement in implementing sports programs across the Bangsamoro region, stating, "You will see more of me, more of my staff going to the provinces to help develop sports."

The ceremony concluded with an exchange of tokens, a photo session, and refreshments, allowing guests to celebrate this momentous occasion and envision the bright future of Bangsamoro sports.



MSU officials headed by President Mapupuno and BSC delegates after signing a Memorandum of Understanding

PLAI-BARMM Librarians Association, Inc. Inducts New Leaders

Ahlam Rohaima A. Usodan

The Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI) is an accredited, professionally recognized organization by the Professional Regulation Commission for professional librarians. PLAI is comprised of regular members who are organized into councils representing different regions throughout the Philippine archipelago.

Each Regional Council conducts its own business and affairs, performing acts that promote librarianship and protect the rights and interests of its members, librarianship, and the Association, in accordance with the PLAI Constitution and By-Laws.

On January 19, 2024, the newly elected officers of the PLAI-Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Librarians Council (PLAI-BARMMMLC) were inducted at the American Corner Hall in the University Library.

PLAI-BARMMMLC brings together professional librarians from the five provinces and cities within the BARMM, namely: Basilan (except Isabela City), Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao, Sulu, and Tawi-Tawi.

In a surprising turn of events, Zaalica B. Edres, the current Acting Director of the University Library, assumed the role of President for the association. The majority of the officers, forming the PLAI-BARMMMLC Executive Board, are not only dedicated professionals but also from the University Library and the broader University System:

President	: Zaalica B. Edres (University Library)
Vice President	: Aleja Alyssa M. Macapodi (MSU-UTC)
Secretary	: Hanah B. Cali (University Library)
Treasurer	: Sittie Saadia M. Muti (University Library)
Auditor	: Soraya P. Manamparan (University Library)
PIO	: Sorayyah M. Casanguan (University Library)
NOMELEC	: Fatha R. Bato (University Library)
Ex-officio	: Dr. Hasmin M. Abdulhalim (MSU-CSSH)
Maguindanao Representative	: Kamilah Unda (BARMM Regional Library and Archives)
Sulu Representative	: Mary Margaret D. Clerigo (MSU-Tawi-Tawi)

With a committed leadership team at the helm, the PLAI-BARMMMLC is poised to make significant progress in advancing the profession and meeting the diverse needs of its members.



Photo grabbed from the PLAI-BARMMMLC Facebook page, showing the Oathtaking Ceremony of the newly elected PLAI-BARMMMLC officers.

MSU Commits Support for Peace in BARMM

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

Mindanao State University (MSU) President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno spearheaded a recommitment of support from the academic sector affirming support for lasting peace in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region on Thursday, January 11, 2024.

The event is a recommitment ceremony towards a vibrant Bangsamoro Peace Constituency, sponsored by the Principles for Peace held at Grand Hyatt Manila. This significant ceremony brought together top National officials, academic leaders, International Diplomats and Business Investors, leaders from Community-based Organizations and Bangsamoro Government leaders and members of the parliament.

In reading of pledges, President Mapupuno represented the pledge of the academic sector with emphasis on the commitment to developing research, instruction and engagement initiatives that address the expressed needs and priorities of marginalized communities in BARMM and other communities in Mindanao.

"We pledge to work with partners across sectors on trust-building and collaboration for inclusion, social healing, and reconciliation through actions such as developing multi-sectoral plans; establishing collaborations and spaces for conflict resolution; popularizing Bangsamoro history; providing responsive assistance to BARMM; prioritizing minoritization and moral governance research; and continuing engagements in the peace process using the lens of Principles of Peace framework," said by MSU System President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno.



President Mapupuno expresses commitment to peace in Bangsamoro Region.

Academic sector in attendance were representatives from MSU System, Ateneo De Davao University, Notre Dame University, and Ateneo de Manila University, among others.

The said recommitment ceremony shall engage the P4P Education Committee to lead series of related events over the next months as schools and universities across Mindanao organize campus-based events centered on nurturing an enduring peace constituency.

MSU-Aggie Leads Efforts for Field Visits at Halal Slaughterhouse in Brunei

Rashdi M. Casim, Ph.D.

To enhance halal integrity and ensure food safety in Lanao del Sur, the Mindanao State University - College of Agriculture, Main Campus, spearheaded a field visit under the guidance of Dean Dr. Mobarak D. Hadjamine, along with Dr. Rashdi M. Casim and Dr. Adley L. Masnar.

This initiative signifies a crucial stride in promoting halal products while underscoring the importance of purity and sanitation in local food consumption. The journey commenced with enlightening work visits, starting on December 26, 2023, with a trip to the Halal Food Control Division within the Department of Syariah Affairs in Brunei. Here, the delegation delved into the mechanics of halal certification, learning valuable best practices.

Continuing their pursuit of knowledge, on December 27, 2023, the team explored halal slaughtering processes at Golden Chicks Abattoir. With hands-on experience, they gained insights into halal slaughtering, laying the groundwork for understanding the establishment and operation of halal slaughterhouses.

Dr. Hadjamine and his colleagues engaged in discussions focusing on the establishment requirements for halal slaughterhouses, recognizing the urgent need for such facilities to ensure halal integrity and food safety in Lanao del Sur. Their approach goes beyond simply meeting halal standards. They are committed to protecting consumer health and well-being, which aligns with the community's desire for safe and halal-certified food products.

This initiative holds promise for the region, poised to elevate the availability and quality of halal products while boosting consumer confidence in the food supply chain's integrity. As MSU-Aggie continues to lead efforts for halal integrity and food safety, the future looks promising for Lanao del Sur, where purity and halal integrity are paramount.

In the pursuit of excellence and innovation, the Mindanao State University - College of Agriculture, Main Campus sets a shining example, inspiring positive change and fostering a culture of halal excellence in Lanao del Sur and beyond. The team is open to potential partnerships and collaborations in establishing Halal Slaughter Houses, further solidifying their commitment to halal integrity and food safety. #



MSU delegates exploring halal slaughtering at Golden Chicks Abattoir



MSU delegates with the Halal Food Control Division



MSU delegates discussing the establishment requirements for halal slaughterhouses

PHYSICAL PLANT DIVISION

2023 PROJECT STATUS REPORT

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

CONSTRUCTION

- Construction of Faculty Housing, Phase II
- Construction of Medical Hospital and Training Center, Phase II
- Construction of Perimeter Fence, Phase II
- Construction of MSU IT HUB
- Facility Upgrading of the Hatchery Complex of the College of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, Marawi City

ON GOING REPAIR/REHABILITATION (STARTED 2022)

- Proposed Repair and Renovation of PLH Dormitory North Wing
- Proposed Repair and Renovation of PLH Dormitory South Wing
- Repair and Renovation of Cottage No. 1 at Ranao View

ON GOING REPAIR/REHABILITATION (STARTED 2023)

- Repair and Renovation of College of Health Sciences
- CNSM Access Road and Parking Space
- Completion of Engineering Technology Laboratory Building
- Proposed Repair and Rehabilitation of Super New Boys Dormitory
- Proposed Repair and Renovation of Rajah Dumduma Hall
- Proposed Repair and Renovation of Rajah Solaiman Hall
- Proposed Replacement of Damaged Glass with Awning Windows at International Convention Center
- Window Grills for Ground Floor of IT HUB
- Fabrication of 50 Units Computer Tables at College of Information and Computing Sciences
- Construction of Comfort Room with Pantry at Bio-Chem Building Extension
- Installation of Electrical Wiring at Cottage 36
- Electrical Works at Cottage No. 1
- Electrical Rewiring and Replacement of Busted Bulbs at College of Law
- Repair of Old College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Building
- Repair of Old College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Administration Building
- Construction of Comfort Room with Pantry and Replacement of Canopy at College of Information and Computing Sciences Building
- Repair of Math Annex Building
- Repair of CSSH Annex Building
- Proposed Repair and Renovation of Bachelors Quarter No. 2

COMPLETED PROJECTS STARTED (Started 2022 to Dec 2023)

- Repair and Strengthening of all Existing Canopies and Renovation of College of Medicine Building
- Proposed Improvement of Lounge Area at Office of the President
- Repair and Renovation of Existing Kitchen of the Office of the President
- Proposed Office Extension of Office of the President
- Proposed Roofing at Information and Communications Technology Center Building
- Renovation of Comfort Room at Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research, Extension, and Development (OVCRED)
- Proposed Presidential Exit Stair at Office of the President
- Repair and Renovation of Bolawan Hall Building
- Repair and Replacement of College of Law Building Roofs
- Repair and Rehabilitation of Proposed Goat House at MSU Dairy Farm
- Construction and Repair of Comfort Room / Septic Tank and Water Tank at NSTP Office
- Repair of College of Law Building Glass Partition with Sliding Door
- Repair of the Four Rooms at the College of Social Sciences and Humanities (Annex Rooms 400 to 403 Reprogrammed to Rooms 425 to 427)
- Repair and Repainting of College of Social Sciences and Humanities Annex Building
- Proposed Fabrication of Six Units Overhead Wooden Cabinets at Accounting Office
- Installation of Wall Glass Partition at College of Law
- Renovation of Basement / Parking Lot at Cottage No. 1
- Repair and Rehabilitation of Damaged Structural Members at Cottage No. 1
- Proposed Repair and Repainting of Five Classrooms at Bio-Chem Building
- Construction of Septic Tank at Super New Girls Dormitory
- Repair of Roofing at MSU-Main Library
- Repair of History Annex Building

ELECTRICAL WORKS

- Replacement of Busted Lights at Isidro Hall
- Replacement of Busted Lights at Alonto Hall Building
- Installation of Street Lights at Approach Road to the College of Forestry and Environmental Studies
- Street Lights of College of Forestry and Environmental Studies to 1st Street
- Street Lights of 2nd Street
- Purchase of 20k VA Generator at the International Convention Center
- Installation of 2x37, 5k VA Transformer for Pump #3 at Motor Pool and Water Supply Division
- Installation of Lighting Fixtures at UVS Building
- Construction of Power Circuit Breaker and Potential Transformers Mounting Pad and Battery Bank
- Installation of Lighting Fixtures and Convenience Outlets and Repair Main Secondary Line at new College of Engineering Building



The newly constructed ICTC Building

New Campus Officials and Designations



SITTIE NADJERAH M. MAROHOM, CPA, MPA

*Director of Campus Budget Office - MSU-Main Campus
Per Special Order No. 222, Series of 2024*

Dir. Sittie Nadjerah Macagaan Marohom, CPA excels in both finance and public service. Her qualifications are top-notch, with a Bachelor's in Accountancy and a Master's in Public Administration. Academic excellence followed her throughout her schooling, earning her valedictorian honors and consistent high marks. But her dedication goes beyond degrees – she actively pursues further knowledge through programs like the Supervisory Development Course. Her nearly seven years at DPWH-ARMM solidified her expertise in government finance. Her leadership and financial skills even led the department to its first ever “Best in Finance” award. Currently, she tackles a dual role as Chief Administrative Officer and designated Director of the Campus Budget Office at Mindanao State University, showcasing her versatility. She brings a wealth of experience, computer proficiency, and a commitment to excellence to the table. She's a highly qualified professional prepared to effectively manage finances and support any organization's goals.



PROF. AMINODING B. LIMPAO, PhD

*Lead of Campus Panginam Healing and Wellness Center
Per Special Order No. 156, Series of 2024*

Dr. Aminoding B. Limpao, a multifaceted professional with a distinguished career spanning over two decades (2005-present), holds a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from Ateneo de Davao University. His expertise encompasses various fields, including psychology, mental health, humanitarian work, research, and development. Currently, he serves as a faculty member and chairperson of the Department of Psychology and Related Services at Mindanao State University (MSU) Marawi. Additionally, Dr. Limpao founded and leads Leading Individuals to Flourish and Thrive (LIFT) Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to providing mental health and psychosocial support services. Throughout his career, he has served as a consultant for numerous international and local organizations, including the United Nations World Health Organization (UN WHO), Doctors Without Borders (MSF), and Save the Children. Dr. Limpao's dedication extends beyond psychology, as he has also contributed as a researcher for organizations like Care Philippines, Plan International, and the Business University of Bangkok, Thailand. Furthermore, he has dedicated his expertise to various development and humanitarian efforts, focusing on areas like peacebuilding, gender and development, women's health, and organizational development. His commitment to improving lives is further exemplified by his previous experience (2005-2011) as an Education Specialist in the United States.



PROF. MELBA M. ANGNI, LPT, MST

*Acting Director of International Affairs and Linkages Office - MSU-Main Campus
Per Special Order No. 148, Series of 2024*

Professor Melba M. Angni is a passionate advocate for integrating entrepreneurship into the basic education curriculum in the Philippines. She believes equipping students with these skills from a young age is crucial for building a prosperous society. Her role as the director of International Affairs and Linkages Office leverages her extensive experience in education, which began in 1998 as a high school science teacher. Over the years, she rose through the ranks, holding positions such as Technical Assistant to the Director (2007), School Principal (2012), Assistant Director (2016), and Director of MSU-Senior High School. Her passion extends beyond education. She is also a successful entrepreneur, managing her family-owned farm as a contract grower for Del Monte since 2005 and serving as the Managing Director of G-Zeal Pharmaceuticals (pharmaceutical sales) since 2012. This firsthand experience fuels her belief that entrepreneurship education empowers individuals for success in business. Professor Angni's diverse background and commitment to entrepreneurship education make her a valuable asset to MSU-Marawi and its international collaborations.



LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR MECHANICAL ENGINEERING FEBRUARY 2024 PASSERS

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Engr. Albanie M. Salic | 6. Engr. Jade Ray E. Alferez |
| 2. Engr. Christine Q. Sison | 7. Engr. Joueiria M. Pangandaman |
| 3. Engr. Datu Empi E. Tulano | 8. Engr. Najeeb G. Hadji Serad |
| 4. Engr. Fahad T. Baguinda | 9. Engr. Nasry H. Macasimbar |
| 5. Engr. Ilham M. Jamil | 10. Engr. Robinson M. Estepa |

Message

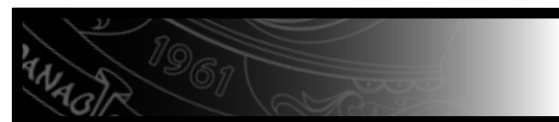
Congratulations to the new Mechanical Engineers who successfully conquered the February 2024 ME Licensure Examination! The MSU-Marawi College of Engineering is incredibly proud of your accomplishment and the dedication and perseverance you've demonstrated throughout your academic journey.

We are confident that your strong foundation in engineering principles, coupled with your unwavering resolve and passion for the field, will enable you to achieve great things in your chosen professions. As you embark on this new chapter, remember the invaluable lessons learned within the halls of our institution.

May the Lord bless you with wisdom, creativity, and a sense of ethical responsibility as you navigate the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. We extend our warmest wishes for successful and fulfilling careers, where you can make a significant impact on society through your expertise and ingenuity.




ENGR. KARLA M. MADRID-KHALID
Acting Dean, College of Engineering



LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR AGRICULTURISTS NOVEMBER 2023 PASSERS

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Abdul Khaliq M. Usodan, L. Agr. | 19. Faida Saripali, L. Agr. | 37. John Kenneth Uban, L. Agr. |
| 2. Alfayed C. Cosain, L. Agr. | 20. Faiza D. Acoon, L. Agr. | 38. Khairoden Mohammad Taha, L. Agr. |
| 3. Al-Shamel R. Jalil, L. Agr. | 21. Faith R. Raganas, L. Agr. | 39. Lywene Egos, L. Agr. |
| 4. Ameloden B. Riga, L. Agr. | 22. Farouk Cauntongan, L. Agr. | 40. Mary Nor Pantinos, L. Agr. |
| 5. Amerah I. Hadji Mohammad, L. Agr. | 23. Halim Bato, L. Agr. | 41. Mondraden Musa, L. Agr. |
| 6. Apipah S. Musama, L. Agr. | 24. Hallid Caorong, L. Agr. | 42. Moumin Macabuat, L. Agr. |
| 7. Argen H. Silvano, L. Agr. | 25. Hamilah L. Mohammad, L. Agr. | 43. Nadja B. Pendiarnan, L. Agr. |
| 8. Arsanie M. Palo, L. Agr. | 26. Hanna Mae Caballes, L. Agr. | 44. Naif T. Omar, L. Agr. |
| 9. Aslimah C. Tabua, L. Agr. | 27. Himma S. Mindalano, L. Agr. | 45. Nassifh D. Hadji Jamel, L. Agr. |
| 10. Asnia Camal, L. Agr. | 28. Hosnie H.S Macasimbar, L. Agr. | 46. Nerio Jun Madelo, L. Agr. |
| 11. Bae S. Bitamor, L. Agr. | 29. Issam Gutoc, L. Agr. | 47. Omilkhair Rauro, L. Agr. |
| 12. Bernan Senit, L. Agr. | 30. Ivy O. Ignalig, L. Agr. | 48. Racma Diangca, L. Agr. |
| 13. Charis V. Catalan, L. Agr. | 31. James P. Maturan, L. Agr. | 49. Ramil Sulog, L. Agr. |
| 14. Charlie Millanes, L. Agr. | 32. Jamilah L. Mohammad, L. Agr. | 50. Sadjied Solaiman, L. Agr. |
| 15. Crystal Jane Asingho, L. Agr. | 33. Jasper Telewik, L. Agr. | 51. Saliha Hanafie, L. Agr. |
| 16. Daisybelle Galimbias, L. Agr. | 34. Jedeiah B. Buala, L. Agr. | 52. Salma Arsa, L. Agr. |
| 17. Ernie John Maratas, L. Agr. | 35. Jeffrey Pedarse, L. Agr. | 53. Zehabuden A. Elias, L. Agr. |
| 18. Fahmie B. Mapandi, L. Agr. | 36. Jessie A. Caumban, L. Agr. | |

Message

My warmest congratulations to each of the fifty three (53) brilliant individuals who successfully passed the Licensure Examination for Agriculturists from the College of Agriculture, MSU-Main Campus, Marawi City, in November 2023!

Your hard work, perseverance, and dedication have culminated in this remarkable achievement, showcasing not only your knowledge but also your passion for agriculture. This success reflects your commitment to excellence and the rigorous pursuit of your goals.

As you embark on your professional journey, may this accomplishment be a stepping stone to a fulfilling and impactful career in agriculture. Your expertise is bound to contribute significantly to the advancement of our agricultural sector and the betterment of our communities.

Wishing you continued success, innovation, and fulfillment in all your future endeavors. Your alma mater is immensely proud of your accomplishments, and we eagerly anticipate the positive impact you will make in the field of agriculture.

Once again, congratulations on this well-deserved success!



PROF. MOBARAK D. HADJI AMIN, RA, DSA
Dean, College of Agriculture



PHILIPPINE NURSING LICENSURE BOARD NOVEMBER 2024

1. Abdul Raffy B. Bacarat, RN
2. Abdulraji A. Minalang, RN
3. Ainora M. Ameril, RN
4. Aleezah Rae B. Macarambon, RN
5. Al-Fayed T. Naik, RN
6. Al-Fayehoney B. Mintong, RN
7. Alia I. Salindawan, RN
8. Alikanor M. Saloong, RN
9. Aliza Florentine C. Sebandal, RN
10. Alleah Lydda T. Abdurahim, RN
11. Allyssa Fawziyyah A. Matuan, RN
12. Almanzhur J. Pandaca, RN
13. Al-Radjee T. Abdul Wahab, RN
14. Alvin A. Pabes, Jr., RN
15. Alyssa Farrah K. Dimakuta, RN
16. Alyssah M. Undac, RN
17. Ameenah Roqayya B. Bantuas, RN
18. Amrah M. Farouq, RN
19. Angel C. Sacabin, RN
20. Angeleka Q. Kadil, RN
21. Angelica Charisse F. Buligan, RN
22. Aniehayma N. Lawi, RN
23. Anna Fayeziyah P. Yussoph, RN
24. Arnica Nheharah M. Tuan, RN
25. Ashmara R. Mangondato, RN
26. Aubrey Dynise C. Torralba, RN
27. Axanie A. Mulay, RN
28. Ayna Jalya M. H. Abdul Rauf, RN
29. Ayobkhan D. Lomundaya, Jr., RN
30. Basima A. Alimoden, RN
31. Bush Rana A. Yusop, RN
32. Clyde F. Pulmano, RN
33. Diana Jalaynie S. Sambolawan, RN
34. Fairosa H.C. Ibrahim, RN
35. Fairosah M. Pangandaman, RN
36. Far-Aileeh B. Alibasa, RN
37. Fatima Sahara R. Taib, RN
38. Fatmah Sarah M. Cornell, RN
39. Fatmah-Maimonah M. Basar, RN
40. Fawaz S.P. Saadodin, RN
41. Gihan G. Malawani, RN
42. Hafidah L. Ampuan, RN
43. Hafsah H.M. Salic, RN
44. Hafsah S. Marohom, RN
45. Hamima D. Luma, RN
46. Hamsida H. Abduraja, RN
47. Hanan S. Samsodin, RN
48. Hidayah C. Ayonga, RN
49. Hisham P. Mangadang, RN
50. Honey Bee S. Platolon, RN
51. Humaidah P. Oranggaga, RN
52. Hunafah M. Pantao, RN
53. Hussnia T. Abdullah, RN
54. Inshirah A. Macote, RN
55. Isnihaya P. Mimbantas, RN
56. Jace Francis M. Abellar, RN
57. Jamaleah Faiza E. Pado, RN
58. Jamilah M. Solaiman, RN
59. Jamilah U. Pangcoga, RN
60. Jamiyah Farra E. Pado, RN
61. Janimah M. Japar, RN
62. Janimah M. Panawidan, RN
63. Jasmine Z. Salic, RN
64. Jaycel B. Tupag, RN
65. Jehainie S. Pinatara, RN
66. Jehan M. Acampong, RN
67. Jimberly Mae B. Malhin, RN
68. Johaina M. Adao, RN
69. Johanna M. Methalicop, RN
70. Jomaidah G. Domato, RN
71. Juliet V. Madarimot, RN
72. Junaid S. Ibrahim, RN
73. Kathryn Jones R. Oclarino, RN
74. Katrina Jade A. Grate, RN
75. Krizhel Joy B. Dequito, RN
76. Lani Belle G. Sumaoang, RN
77. Ma. Carren Mae V. Señoron, RN
78. Ma. Ydela D. Meradores, RN
79. Manal Z. Obinay, RN
80. Mary Ann S. Lumotac, RN
81. Mary Rose H. Cabigas, RN
82. Mildred Z. Llagas, RN
83. Mohaisen C. Nasrudin, RN
84. Mohammad Althojamie A. Alfonso, RN
85. Mohammad Sadat A. Mindalano, RN
86. Mohammad Ya'ser D. Ismael, RN
87. Mohammed Rizzah B. Datumolok, RN
88. Mokhayer D. Maguindanaon, RN
89. Monaifah M. Sultan, RN
90. Muhajir G. Dibansa, RN
91. Muhmina M. Isul, RN
92. Nahara S. Macabantog, RN
93. Naipah A. Mamao, RN
94. Najerah A. Paramata, RN
95. Najerah D. Sambitory, RN
96. Najma M. Marandang, RN
97. Nashima S. H. Casan, RN
98. Nashrena B. Paporo, RN
99. Nehma M. Budas, RN
100. Nihaya A. Millie, RN
101. Nor-Ain A. Armama, RN
102. Nor-Alayna M. Guro, RN
103. Norhana M. Langi, RN
104. Norhanessah M. Dalupang, RN
105. Norhanipa S. Sacar, RN
106. Norhanisah T. Macalaba, RN
107. Norharem S. Curo, RN
108. Norhasnie M. Pangcatan, RN
109. Norhidaya R. Abdulbasher, RN
110. Norjana A. Hadji Wahab, RN
111. Norjannah L. Pangcatan, RN
112. Norkisah B. Macote, RN
113. Norlaine D. Datudacula, RN
114. Norlainie M. Rahman, RN
115. Norol-Izah S. Hadji Yahya, RN
116. Norolkhairah G. Mustapha, RN
117. Noronisa D. Cabugatan, RN
118. Nuof M. Abdullah, RN
119. Nurhassan A. Husain, RN
120. Nurul Hannah P. Maruhom, RN
121. Omekalzum A. Guro, RN
122. Princess Nasima M. Usngan, RN
123. Queenie Hafsah K. Pangandaman, RN
124. Queenisha M. Ansawi, RN
125. Raifah M. Rashad, RN
126. Raisah Jane M. Armama, RN
127. Ramayana-Donisa B. Alonto, RN
128. Raneen T. Abdulaziz, RN
129. Rashad-Alhusein U. Rasad, RN



LICENSURE EXAMINATION 2023 PASSERS

130.Reham C. Sohail, RN	145.Sittie Ainah M. Romie, RN	160.Sohriya D. Datu-Dacula, RN
131.Rofaida A. Macaumbos, RN	146.Sittie Akila L. Tanggo, RN	161.Thamarah Tol Qalbi A. Muhadz, RN
132.Rohailah M. Abdulrahman, RN	147.Sittie Aminah S. Amer, RN	162.Trícia Mae G. Akiatan, RN
133.Rohaina Q. Bayena, RN	148.Sittie Asiya R. Ali, RN	163.Trixia Mikaela B. Naguita, RN
134.Samsia C. Salic, RN	149.Sittie Ayzah M. Randi, RN	164.Veronico A. Ardiente, Jr., RN
135.Saremah G. Guro, RN	150.Sittie Bashma M. Diamoaden, RN	165.Wafah L. Abdulrahman, RN
136.Shahanie M. Malambut, RN	151.Sittie Fardauzia M. Sahiddin, RN	166.Wayne Lorraine Llanos, RN
137.Shalimar L. Mustapha, RN	152.Sittie Farnah A. Saripada, RN	167.Wyndylle N. Postrano, RN
138.Shanie R. Gampong, RN	153.Sittie Fatmah P. Balang, RN	168.Yasmin M. Yusoph, RN
139.Shara Lailanie A. Azis, RN	154.Sittie Haniya L. Pangandaman, RN	169.Yasrien S. Alag, RN
140.Sharifah L. Mustapha, RN	155.Sittie Haulah M. Mangondaya, RN	170.Yasrimah B. Ali, RN
141.Shekinah Glory Q. Bersales, RN	156.Sittie Mariam B. Gubaten, RN	171.Zahera Fatma C. Balimbing, RN
142.Sitti Sara T. Ramsani, RN	157.Sittie Najma S. Alim, RN	172.Zhaynee B. Hadji Zuhayer, RN
143.Sittie Aina S. Baraocal, RN	158.Sittie Nashieva A. Usman, RN	
144.Sittie Ainah M. Macalandap, RN	159.Sohaira G. Sadick, RN	

80.00%
National Passing Rate

92.18%
CHS Overall Passing Rate

93.31%
First Takers Passing Rate

Message

Assalamu-Alaikom warahmatullahi taala wabarakatuhu.

The Mindanao State University College of Health Sciences never stop in producing top calibre nurses who were trained to be resilient. These registered nurses have passed through challenges like the occurrence of the Marawi Siege and followed by the existence of the COVID-19 pandemic wherein there were rapid changes in the mode of learning from Online to Face to Face.

With their experience, even if it had disturbed their academics they still strive harder than hard to reach their goal of passing the November 2023 Nurses Licensure Examination.

Now is the time for them to be called Registered Nurses. On behalf of the College of Health Sciences former mentors, faculty, staff, and students we would like to congratulate each and every one of you and praying for continuous success in you chosen profession.

May the Almighty bless you all.




DR. ATHENA JALALIYAH DERICO LAWI
Dean, MSU College of Health Sciences



PHILIPPINE BAR SEPTEMBER 2

1. Atty. Abdul Sahir S. Adiong
2. Atty. Abdul Tawwab L. Sansarona
3. Atty. Abdullah D. Omar
4. Atty. Abdulmojeb A. Pangompig
5. Atty. Albert Manosa
6. Atty. Alexander D. Dumpa
7. Atty. Aljade Laut
8. Atty. Allana S. Dignadice
9. Atty. Arence Jian T. Zalsos
10. Atty. Arnel Bien
11. Atty. Asnia B. Salic
12. Atty. Babes Aubrey D. Aquino
13. Atty. Bai Junaisa Mudsol – Sambuto
14. Atty. Bai Ridah Macasayon
15. Atty. Bless Joy Laviste – Dela Rosa
16. Atty. Bokhaimen A. Mala
17. Atty. Charity Gene C. Abugan
18. Atty. Charity Niel S. Casas
19. Atty. Charlene Khate A. Alonzo
20. Atty. Chello Torres
21. Atty. Chrissa Mae I. Cartera
22. Atty. Christian Paul C. Timonera
23. Atty. Daneva A. Anticamara
24. Atty. Daniel M. Galzote
25. Atty. Dayanarah A. Maranda
26. Atty. Elfie L. Datumaas
27. Atty. Emmanuel S. Jacinto
28. Atty. Faridah P. Ali
29. Atty. Fatima R. Madale
30. Atty. Fritz Ronald Amparado
31. Atty. Gabriel Joseph M. Esporsado
32. Atty. Geraldine M. Solis-Ybanez
33. Atty. Gerard Oliver S. Wang, Jr.
34. Atty. Gimelle Manginsay
35. Atty. Gline K. Mirasol
36. Atty. Habib U. Simban
37. Atty. Hanifah Usman
38. Atty. Himima O. Doromal
39. Atty. Isnihaya D. Mama
40. Atty. Ivy A. Cabinta
41. Atty. Jamaica Princess Farizza B. Malingco
42. Atty. Jan Jeffiah R. Camina
43. Atty. Jarold Jumawan Rosima
44. Atty. Jasmin Baslot
45. Atty. Jasper D. Ambos
46. Atty. Jasper Kent M. Perez
47. Atty. Jeffrey Dela Cruz
48. Atty. Jenny Ross T. Rabia
49. Atty. Jesreel Datig
50. Atty. Jesselito C. Zaragoza, Jr.
51. Atty. Jhezzarose L. Fajardo-Galorio
52. Atty. Jhun L. Miranda
53. Atty. Jill Odessa S. Castardo-Gatdula
54. Atty. Joshua Christian C. Koppin
55. Atty. Kaezia Lua
56. Atty. Kaye Cristelle P. Lavente
57. Atty. Keen Steve M. Bito-on
58. Atty. Kevin Richard R. Miraflores
59. Atty. Kinglloyd B. Abelado
60. Atty. Kristie Lou D. Sales
61. Atty. Kristofer Paolo R. Punla
62. Atty. Lilibeth C. Calope
63. Atty. Louie B. Pitlo
64. Atty. Marjorie V. Dalugdugan
65. Atty. Mark Juremy V
66. Atty. Martsu Rissan M. Ladia
67. Atty. Michelle R. Lumayag
68. Atty. Mikhaile S. Baunto
69. Atty. Milleran Frouh L. Ochea-Ligutom
70. Atty. Mohammad M. Hadji Yusoph
71. Atty. Mohammad Salman Ibrahim
72. Atty. Mohammad Yasgar Ayo
73. Atty. Naim Nohar A. Suba
74. Atty. Najeb M. Abdullah
75. Atty. Nasrullah A. Macalimbon
76. Atty. Natalie Herschel C. Po
77. Atty. Noe V. Calipusan, Jr.
78. Atty. Nor-Hannan S. Alawi-Dianalan
79. Atty. Norhanodin M. Salic
80. Atty. Norjannah M. Pangandaman
81. Atty. Norlailah P. Gampong
82. Atty. Noronessah M. Dalupang
83. Atty. Owen L. Maraasin
84. Atty. Princess Nhesren M. Ali
85. Atty. Rajchanee Dimakuta
86. Atty. Rajib M. Bubong



EXAMINATION 2023 PASSERS

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| 87. Atty. Reyzy Mary Glydel R. Fausto | 100. Atty. Sharief Ismael D. Macabando |
| 88. Atty. Rhea Lyn L. Curayag | 101. Atty. Sheerah U. Albuladora |
| 89. Atty. Roberto D. Guarzo | 102. Atty. Sittie Aisah B. Hadji Amer |
| 90. Atty. Rosaifa Radi | 103. Atty. Sittie Ayra Y. Abedin |
| 91. Atty. Rosalia Completano | 104. Atty. Sittie Milanisah H. Balt |
| 92. Atty. Rosarie Anne Bering | 105. Atty. Sittie Sonayah M. Mastura |
| 93. Atty. Ruffa Mae G. Oniola | 106. Atty. Sohria L. Amerol |
| 94. Atty. Ruth Ana Dahab | 107. Atty. Somayyah B. Saeed |
| 95. Atty. Ryan Omar V. Reyes | 108. Atty. Thea P. Porras |
| 96. Atty. Sahanie M. Mohammad Ali | 109. Atty. Van Caesar R. Openiano |
| 97. Atty. Sahria T. Lawi-Macabalang | 110. Atty. Verlyn A. Factor |
| 98. Atty. Salma Abdulmalik | 111. Atty. Yasmin D. Mamarinta |
| 99. Atty. Samsodin B. Omar | 112. Atty. Yassin B. Maute |

Message

Bismillahirrahmanirrahim.

Praise be to Allah by whose blessings excellent achievements are accomplished.

On behalf of the MSU System President, all former Deans, the Faculty, staff and students of the MSU College of Law, I wish to congratulate the 112 MSUan 2023 Bar passers for accomplishing the most coveted success in one of the country's most difficult exams – the Philippine Bar Examinations.

The 2023 bar exam produced another best result in its own right for MSU Law. The collective and individual performance of MSU Law exceeded our average bar performance in the past 10 years. Indeed, we say wow!

Your success in the bar is a reward from Almighty God for your sacrifice, commitment and adequate preparations. Your success in the bar also represents your victory over the high expectations of your professors, parents, relatives, and friends who have looked upon you as deserving sons and daughters of our dear Alma Mater, the Mindanao State University. Our proud salutations are due to you! Congratulations!

To our MSUan warriors who are victors in a different way, hold on strong to the ropes of perseverance and hope. Failure in the bar examinations is never and will never be a bar to success in life. Trying again has always been the way of the most successful and influential persons in the whole world from Adam (a.s.) to Zuckerberg.

Unitas Per Iustitiam!




ATTY. NORHABIB BIN SUOD S. BARODI
Dean, College of Law

LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN ENGLISH (BSEd ENGLISH)

1. Julie Ann S. Tubal, LPT
2. Najwah Sidic, LPT
3. Samira M. Ibrahim, LPT
4. Shalinie Pandaca, LPT

BACHELOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (BEEd)

1. Abdaniah M. Benito, LPT
2. Alaiza D. Dimao, LPT
3. Aljannah Lucman, LPT
4. Amal-Shaliha Hamrani, LPT
5. Amanah Jehan Serad, LPT
6. Ana Yasmine M. Somirado, LPT
7. Ana-Janisah M. H. Jabbar, LPT
8. Aquisah B. Salong, LPT
9. Hamzeah B. Renayong, LPT
10. Hariza Maruhom, LPT
11. Hidayat I. Saidamen, LPT
12. Injerah T. Mongcado, LPT
13. Jainie A. Baute, LPT
14. Jehan A. Abduljabbar, LPT
15. Johannah S. Bimbas, LPT
16. Kylee S. Apac, LPT
17. Lovely Shereen Macalawan, LPT
18. May Flor T. Belando, LPT
19. Meraliah Magdali, LPT
20. Nadia B. Abdullah, LPT
21. Naima D. H. Daud, LPT
22. Naima O. Sultan, LPT
23. Najeha Balindong, LPT
24. Najmah D. Pumbayabaya, LPT
25. Nashimah M. Palawan, LPT
26. Nor-Ashya D. Guro, LPT
27. Norjannah M. Mimbant, LPT
28. Raida D. Baraocor, LPT
29. Rashida Dimaali, LPT
30. Rismen Mimbisa, LPT
31. Rohaima M. Sigayan, LPT
32. Sahara T. Tanog, LPT
33. Shahraini S. Pendaton, LPT
34. Sittie Ainah B. Usman, LPT
35. Sittie Rahimah Usodan, LPT
36. Somaya Basare, LPT
37. Tasnimah A. Guiling, LPT

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN ENGLISH (BSEd ENGLISH)

1. Abdul Hakim A. Abdullah, LPT
2. Aliah H.M. Hadji Socor, LPT
3. Aqliah Zacariah, LPT
4. Cecille O. Zapanta, LPT
5. Faiza Amerol, LPT
6. Hasrizah Acas, LPT
7. Muamil M. Cota, LPT
8. Nihayan Batua, LPT
9. Norayah M. Salem, LPT
10. Noroden Abdullah, LPT
11. Omayah Marangit, LPT
12. Rofaidah T. Usman, LPT
13. Salemah B. Hadji Salim, LPT
14. Salimah Alinor, LPT
15. Samsia Abdulmanan, LPT
16. Sharie M. Abonales, LPT
17. Sittie Aisah Norhazim, LPT
18. Sittie Faidah C. Umpa, LPT
19. Sittie Rayhanah S. Lucma, LPT
20. Walida S. Faisal, LPT

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN SCIENCES (BSEd SCIENCES)

1. Aslima N. Samporna, LPT
2. Farhana M. Sultan, LPT
3. Hanifa A. Calandada, LPT
4. Janashif B. Musa, LPT
5. Mudjahid M. Abdurahman, LPT
6. Nasbia G. Macabangu, LPT
7. Nor-Amanah L. Amanodin, LPT
8. Rannah S. Radia, LPT
9. Sahliha D. Mangondato, LPT
10. Saliha L. Baraocor, LPT
11. Wamica L. Endar, LPT

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN FILIPINO (BSEd FILIPINO)

1. Azisah A. Mangoranda, LPT
2. Hanifah P. Barani, LPT
3. Haulah S. Calandada, LPT
4. Norjannah B. Bagayan, LPT
5. Salmaira M. Hadji Ibrahim, LPT

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN MATHEMATICS (BSEd MATHEMATICS)

1. Allyza S. Marohom, LPT
2. Analizah B. Saipoden, LPT

87.50%

National Passing Rate for Elementary



FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS 2023 PASSERS

3. Aslinda M. Birol, LPT
4. Hasmin A. Enrique, LPT
5. Jehanida Alyssa D. Imam, LPT
6. Jinehan M. Khalil, LPT
7. Junaina S. Baudi, LPT
8. Kathleen Dale A. Luzano, LPT
9. Monaisah A. Laut, LPT
10. Nihaya D. Tauro, LPT
11. Sohaira H. Soud, LPT

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN TECHNOLOGY AND LIVELIHOOD EDUCATION (BSEd TLE)

1. Johanah M. Lomabao, LPT
2. Johannah L. Abdullah, LPT
3. Shelamie F. Silang, LPT

BACHELOR IN TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL EDUCATION MAJOR IN HOME ECONOMICS (BTVTEd HOME ECONOMICS)

1. Azisa E. Boter, LPT
2. Faida Pangcoga, LPT
3. Faisah C. Tawantawan, LPT
4. Jamaiya H.Said Jalil, LPT
5. Jamirah D. Lumabao, LPT

6. Janisah S. Rominimbang, LPT
7. Khalid P. Batara, LPT
8. Maria Nicollete A. Barilla, LPT
9. Ronalyn V. Caracol, LPT
10. Sittie Aisah C. Maunte, LPT

BACHELOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJOR IN SOCIAL STUDIES (BSEd SOCIAL STUDIES)

1. Muamerah K. Yusoph, LPT

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY AND LIVELIHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR IN HOME ECONOMICS (BTLEd HOME ECONOMICS)

1. Alnor D. Asi, LPT
2. Alyanah Motalib, LPT
3. Lyda S. Ampaso, LPT
4. Mosrifah A.Naik, LPT
5. Noraya P. Abdul, LPT
6. Norhanima H.Edris Macauyag, LPT
7. Nuraiman Omar, LPT
8. Riham M. Abdullah, LPT
9. Rohaina M. Acoon, LPT
10. Sittie Jasmen B. Arimao, LPT
11. Sonaya D. Anwar, LPT
12. Yasmira M. Abdulmalik, LPT

Message

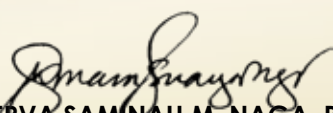
Assalamu-Alaikom warahmatullahi taala wabarakatuhu.

To our amazing students from the College of Education,

With immense pleasure, I would like to express my heartfelt congratulations to all of you for passing the September 2023 Licensure Examination for Professional Teachers (LEPT). This is indeed a remarkable achievement that deserves recognition and celebration. Your success inspires us, your mentors from the College of Education, to continue providing quality education to aspirant teachers in our community.

As you embark on this next chapter, I encourage you to dream big, pursue your passions, and never stop learning. Remember, you have the power to shape your own future. May you be able to use God's gift of skills to shape the next generation of becoming a responsible and accountable citizen in our country. May you help us to foster transformational change and the embodiment of 5.0 industrial revolution through giving meaningful learning experience to our students. On behalf of your mentors from the College of Education, I wish you all the very best in your future endeavors.




MINERVA SAMINAH M. NAGA, PhD
Dean, MSU College of Education

Panamar: The MSU President's Linkages

(January 2023 to March 2024)

Source: Office of the President - Records Management Office



Memorandum of Agreement entered into by and between **MSU - Main Campus, Marawi City** and **MSU - Buug** for the implementation of two research projects under the Inter-Regional Network Program, entitled: 1) Sociocultural Dimensions of Antibiotic Resistance (AMR) in the Community and Surveillance of Multi-Drug-Resistant ESKAPE Pathogens in the Healthcare Setting and 2) Antimicrobial Resistance in the Water-Fish-Human Nexus: Mapping Antibiotic-Resistant *Escherichia coli*, *Salmonella* spp., *Shigella* spp., and *Vibrio cholerae* Using One Health Approach, with a particular focus on Socio-Cultural Surveys, Focus Group Discussions, and Key Informant Interviews



Memorandum of Agreement entered into by and between **MSU - Main Campus, Marawi City** and **Islamic City of Marawi and the Seven Barangay Local Government Units** for matters concerning security, crime prevention, emergency response, and maintenance of peace and order within MSU and its surrounding area



Memorandum of Agreement entered into by and between **MSU** and **Landbank of the Philippines (LBP)** for the opening of accounts of MSU students and employees for Digital Onboarding System (DOBS)



Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between **MSU System** and **Bangsamoro Sports Commission (BSC)** for future collaborations pertaining on sports development programs in Bangsamoro Region



Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between **MSU - Main Campus, Marawi City** and **GISB Holdings Sdn Bhd** to strengthen, promote, and develop co-operation on basis of equality and mutual benefits in the areas of common interests including academics, research and community service on Halal Enterprises



Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between **MSU** and **Mahsa University, Malaysia**, recognizing each other's mutual interests and desire to collaborate in an effort to pursue the objectives and benefits of collaborations by developing professional working relationship and joint effort for academic profession and technical advancement and promote mutual agreement and excellence in potential projects, future co-operation, and knowledge exchange



Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between **MSU** and **Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)** for the implementation of Project Riayah to improve the living conditions, education, and well-being of the orphans and children in "torils" in Marawi City by providing inclusive and culturally-sensitive programs



Partnership Agreement entered into by and between **MSU** and **Philippine Competition Commission (PCC)** for the implementation of the Champions of Competition: Competition Local Advocacy Network through capability development project to raise awareness and enhance understanding on competition law and policy among businesses, consumers, and public sector organizations in the Philippines

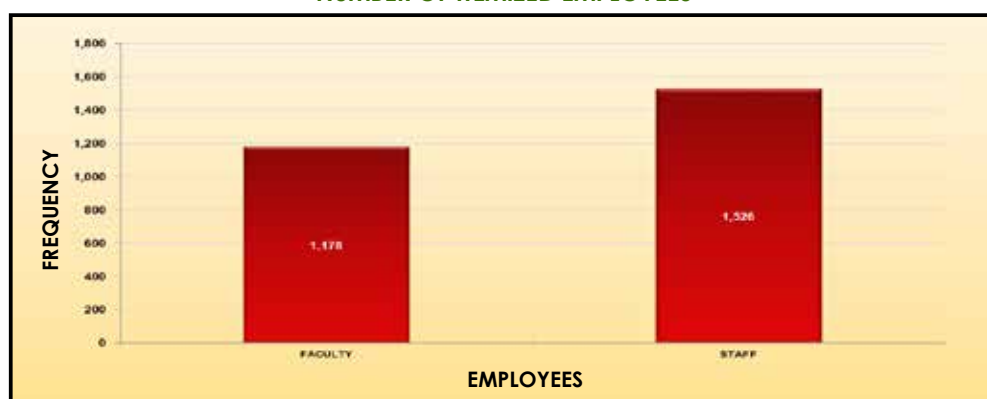


Numbers Matter

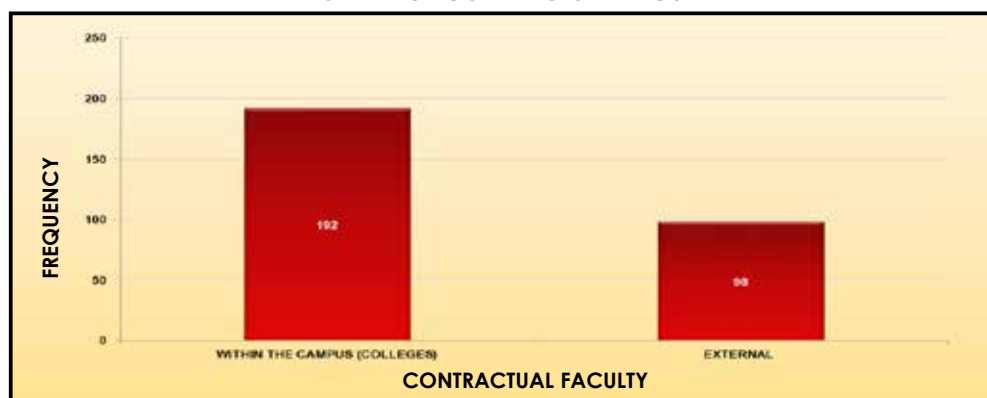


Image source: Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

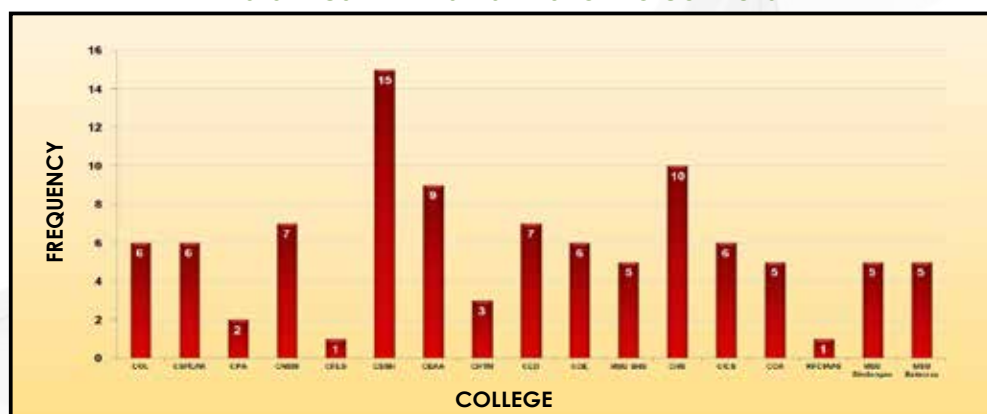
NUMBER OF ITEMIZED EMPLOYEES



NUMBER OF CONTRACTUAL FACULTY



2023 FACULTY ITEMS DISTRIBUTION TO COLLEGES



Source: Human Resources Development Office

MSU-Marawi Streamlines Traffic with New One-Way Routes in Blue Zone

Prof. Sorhaila L. Latip-Yusoph, PhD

Mindanao State University (MSU)-Marawi has recently implemented an updated traffic management system, aiming to improve the flow of vehicles and pedestrian safety within the campus. The most significant change involves the designation of one-way routes within the blue zone.

Addressing Traffic Challenges:

The previous traffic system at MSU-Marawi faced challenges, including congestion, particularly during peak hours. This caused delays for students, faculty, and staff, impacting their daily routines. The new one-way system aims to address these concerns by:

- Enhancing traffic flow: By designating specific directions for vehicles, the university hopes to minimize congestion and ensure a smoother flow of traffic.
- Improving safety: One-way streets can potentially reduce the risk of accidents, especially for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Promoting order: Clear signage and enforcement of the new system will contribute to a more organized and efficient traffic environment on campus.

Understanding the Blue Zone:

The blue zone refers to a specific area within the MSU-Marawi campus. The university's website or official social media pages have detailed information highlighting the specific roads and directions affected by the one-way system (see photo). Familiarizing yourself with this information is crucial to navigate the campus smoothly.

Positive Impact and Ongoing Efforts:

The university anticipates that the new traffic management system, particularly the one-way routes in the blue zone, will positively impact the campus community. It is expected to:

- Reduce travel time within the campus
- Enhance pedestrian safety
- Create a more organized traffic environment

However, adapting to any new system takes time. The university may need to make adjustments and provide continued guidance and information to ensure everyone understands and adheres to the updated traffic regulations.

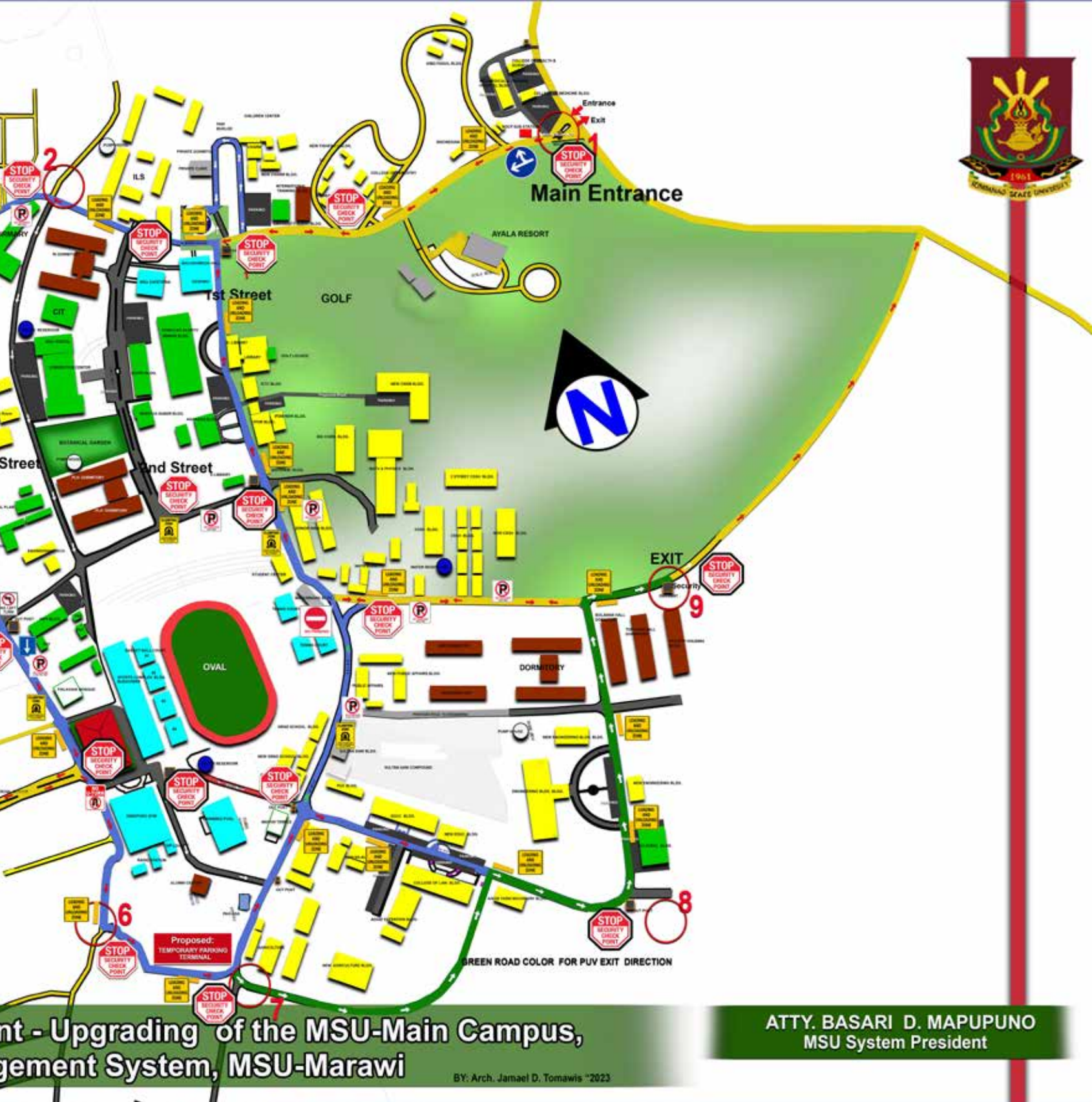
Staying Informed:

For the latest information and official guidelines related to the new traffic management system, including the one-way routes in the blue zone, students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to consult the following resources:

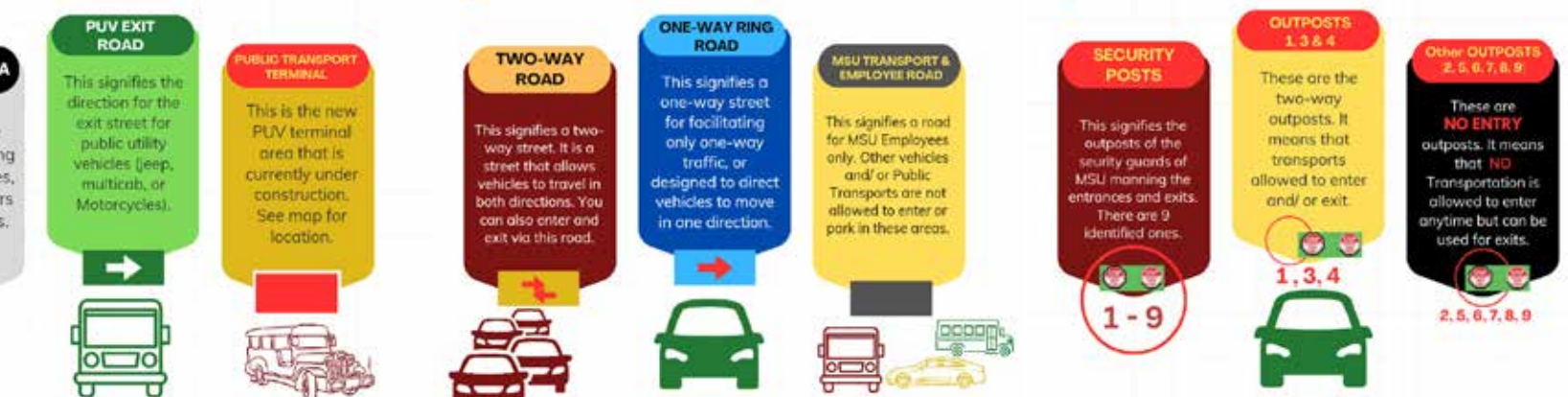
- MSU-Marawi website (<https://www.msumain.edu.ph/>)
- Official university social media pages
- Campus security personnel

By working together and adhering to the new regulations, the MSU-Marawi community can contribute to a safer and more efficient traffic flow on campus.





ATTY. BASARI D. MAPUPUNO
MSU System President



Nil satis nisi optimum.
 "Nothing but the best is good enough."

MSU CFES Collaborates in Naming a New Tambis Species

In a fruitful collaboration with researchers from the Philippine Taxonomic Initiative and the University of the Philippines-Diliman, Mark Gregory Q. Rule, a faculty member from the MSU-CFES Department of Environmental Studies, described a new plant species from the *tambis/makopa* family (Myrtaceae) and named it *Syzygium crystalliferum* L.Udasco, A. L.Garrino, Aumentado, M.G.Rule and Mansibang.

The epithet name *crystalliferum* is a combination of the Latin words 'crystallo' (crystal) and 'fero' (to carry) in reference to the whitish salt-like crystals (suspected to be calcium-oxalates) observed in dried specimens.

The new species was discovered in the tropical lowland evergreen rainforests of Carranglan, Nueva Ecija. With only two known collection sites that are threatened by several anthropogenic activities such as kaingin and timber poaching, the new species is already designated as critically endangered (CR) based on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) guidelines.

This discovery is also a significant contribution to the Philippine biodiversity as it is the first addition to the genus *Syzygium* in over 70 years since Elmer D. Merrill worked on the taxa.

The MSU system President Atty Basari D. Mapupuno and the rest of the research constituents highly commend and applaud the efforts of M.G. Rule and his colleagues.



PROF. MARK GREGORY Q. RULE
 Faculty, College of Forestry and Environmental Studies

Syzygium crystalliferum
 L.Udasco, A. L.Garrino, Aumentado,
 M.G.Rule and Mansibang

Congratulations!

Our MSU Professors having additional laurels as an inspiration to all MSUans..



PROF. ASLAINEE T. MACATANONG, PhD

*Doctor of Philosophy in Language Studies
College of Social Sciences and Humanities
Mindanao State University-Main Campus
Marawi City*



PROF. GRACE T. RUELO, PhD

*Doctor of Philosophy in Language Studies
College of Social Sciences and Humanities
Mindanao State University-Main Campus
Marawi City*



Winner for the Previous Issue Meranaw Words Trivia

Pasagi.ab147

Claim your Prize at the MSU-MCHC Office

New Meranaw Word Trivia Contest

What are the Meranaw words for the following vegetables:

Lemon Grass
Scallion
String Beans

Submit your answer to the question
by scanning this QR code:



Call for Participants and Presenters

Attention cultural heritage enthusiasts - mark your calendars for the upcoming Ongangen ko Inged a Ranaw (OKIR) Conference 2024 happening on May 18-19, 2024 at the Meranaw Cultural Heritage Center, Mindanao State University-Main Campus in Marawi City.

With the theme "Meranaw Cultural Heritage Preservation Then and Now," this two-day event convenes researchers, academics, students, practitioners across disciplines to tackle the complex challenges and opportunities facing the preservation of Meranaw cultural heritage across history until today.

Through keynotes, plenary sessions, paper presentations, panel discussions, and immersive cultural activities, participants will engage in interdisciplinary dialogue to analyze issues like the impact of conflict on cultural resources and displacement of communities, as well as explore strategies like cultural tourism and advocacy in preserving this important yet threatened heritage.

The conference is organized by the Meranaw Cultural Heritage Center and co-sponsored by the Bangsamoro Commission for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage. Researchers and students are welcome to submit 300-word abstracts for paper or workshop proposals related to Meranaw cultural preservation until March 30.

Let us come together in vibrant discourse towards identifying sustainable ways to document, revitalize and safeguard the colorful Meranaw heritage for future generations.



KEYNOTE AND PLENARY SPEAKERS



MP Rasol A. Mitmug
Ongangen ko Kandato sa Bangsamoro
(Wisdom on Bangsamoro Leadership)



Comm. Roberto 'Bob' M. Alonto
Ongangen ko Bilantakan a Meranaw
(Wisdom on Meranaw Cultural Artifacts)



Alim Nor-Jamal G. Batugan
Ongangen ko Ilmo Islam
(Wisdom on Islamic Knowledge)

PANNEL DISCUSSANTS

2024 Round Table Discussion Speakers (Onganen o Manga Bai)



PROF. YASMIRA MONER
Onganen o Meranaw ko Manga Bai



PROF. SITTY AYNAH P. MALA
Onganen o Meranaw ko Kaploke



BAI KHUZAIMA MARANDA
Onganen o Meranaw ko Kastirad

2024 Round Table Discussion Speakers (Onganen o Kalumbayan)



Ms. Shri Tahani Macaumbao
Onganen o Meranaw ko Melibeta



Mr. Mohammad Nadhif H. Nabel
Onganen o Meranaw ko Bilantakan



Mohammad Hisham M. Mocsir
Onganen o Meranaw ko Ilmo Islam

Visit <https://sites.google.com/msumain.edu.ph/okirconfab/home> for more information.

Act now and be part of this timely cultural engagement!

Approved BOR Resolutions

during the 265th BOR Meeting (December 12, 2023)

Source: Office of the MSU System and BOR Secretary



Resolution No. 350, Series 2023	Approval of the promotion, re-ranking or reclassification of the 33 faculty members from various campuses of MSU System with the rank of associate professor
Resolution No. 351, Series 2023	Approval of the Initial Rank of the two faculty members from MSU-IIT
Resolution No. 352, Series 2023	Approval of the 2,570 candidates for graduation from all campuses for the 1st Semester, A.Y. 2023- 2024
Resolution No. 353, Series 2023	Approval of the System-wide Student Handbook
Resolution No. 354, Series 2023	Approval of the Harmonized workload and responsibilities of College Research Coordinator and College Extension Coordinator across the MSU System
Resolution No. 355, Series 2023	Approval of the Standardized Grading System for Technology Programs
Resolution No. 356, Series 2023	Approval of the request for additional Junior High, Senior High and administrative staff plantilla items
Resolution No. 357, Series 2023	Approval of the grant of authority to President Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno to travel to Turkey on December 20, 2023 to January 4, 2024 to collaborate on academic projects, research and initiatives aimed to foster mutual growth and knowledge exchange between Mindanao State University and Kastamonu University
Resolution No. 358, Series 2023	Approval of the the proposed Sustainability Policy of MSU-IIT
Resolution No. 359, Series 2023	Approval of the Proposed Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity (EDI) Policy of MSU-IIT
Resolution No. 360, Series 2023	Approval of the Proposed Anti-Counterfeit and Anti-Piracy (ACAP) Policy of MSU-IIT
Resolution No. 361, Series 2023	Confirmation of the 15 Special Orders
Resolution No. 362, Series 2023	Confirmation of the Resolution No. 4-R, S. 2023, the grant of authority for Atty. Basari D. Mapupuno to travel to Brunei on December 3 – 7, 2023 to attend the 11th ASEAN Universities International Conference on Islamic Finance (11th AICIF)
Resolution No. 363, Series 2023	Confirmation of the Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between the Mindanao State University (MSU) System and the Universitas Islam Negeri Imam Bonjol Padang to promote mutual benefit, development, and the advancement of international understanding and goodwill
Resolution No. 364, Series 2023	Confirmation of the appointment of three administrative officials
Resolution No. 365, Series 2023	Approval of the area allocation for Bahay Alumni by the campuses of MSU System
Resolution No. 366, Series 2023	Approval of the 12 units of equivalent workload units of faculty regent of the Mindanao State University System
Resolution No. 367, Series 2023	Approval of the proposed representation of the faculty union in various relative committees in the campuses of the Mindanao State University System amending BOR Res. No. 80, S. 2001
Resolution No. 368, Series 2023	Approval of the omission of the height requirements for the Mr. and Ms. MSUSAA
Resolution No. 369, Series 2023	Approval of the Futures Thinking and Strategic Fore Sighting Program – 67th FEMSUSSCO Executive Meeting to be held in Tawi-Tawi
Resolution No. 370, Series 2023	Approval of the mandatory Capacity and Team Building for SSC, SSG, and KASAMA and allocation of funds
Resolution No. 371, Series 2023	Approval of the Program of Receipts and Expenditures for Free Higher Education (FHE) Tuition and Other School Fees for first semester AY 2023-2024 MSU-Marawi amounting to ninety million seven hundred twenty-four thousand four hundred ninety-five pesos (PhP 90, 724,495.00)
Resolution No. 372, Series 2023	Approval of the promotion and re-ranking or reclassification of item of one (1) faculty member with collegiate rank of MSU-Marawi together with the summary of credentials evaluation
Resolution No. 373, Series 2023	Approval of the promotion and re-ranking or reclassification of six (6) faculty members of MSU Marawi External Units (High School) together with the summary of credentials evaluation
Resolution No. 374, Series 2023	Approval of the grant of tenure to the following sixteen (16) faculty members together with the summary of the evaluation
Resolution No. 375, Series 2023	Approval of the staffing request for an Internal Audit Service (IAS)/Unit (IAU) of the Mindanao State University-Marawi Campus
Resolution No. 376, Series 2023	Approval of the 108 Special Orders (Academic)
Resolution No. 467, Series 2023	Commendation to VEANAMARI ELISE V. SANTILLAN for serving as Student Regent from March 2023 – December 2023



Where cultures meet!