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Charter Day Program Keynote Speaker, Mr. Abner O. Lawangen receives a plaque of appreciation from BSU President, Dr. Feliciano G. Calora Jr. and VP for Business Affairs, Dr. Silver K. Aben on January 31, 2017 at the BSU Gymnasium.

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BSU reaches 31st year as a University

Thirty one years ago, on January 12, 1986, the Mountain State Agricultural College became Benguet State University by virtue of Presidential Decree No. 2010. The University commemorated this day through a series of activities on January 31, 2017 which includes an Ecumenical Eucharistic Thanksgiving Celebration followed by the Charter Day Program, Recognition of Loyalty Service Awardees and Salamat, Mabuhay Program for the retirees.

BSU Family celebrates in thanksgiving service



The La Trinidad Ecumenical Council of Churches (LTECC) officiated the Ecumenical Eucharistic Thanksgiving Celebration. This celebration focused on thanksgiving and unity. Representatives of

the LTECC present are Rev. Fr. Joseph Dawang, Rev. Fr. Nestor Poltic, Very Rev. Fr. Genesis Mark Langbao and Rev. Fr. Agustin Lizardo III of the Episcopal Church of the Philippines, Rev. Fr. Paulino Sarac of the Roman Catholic Church, Ptr. Sam Galino of the Church of Nazarene, Ptr. Ariel Udacion of the Wesleyan Church, Rev. Dennis Alida of the Lutheran Church, Rev. Esther Kayat-Balawag of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines, Rev. Felix Yango Jr. of the Baptist Church and Rev. Walter Caput of the Assembly of God.

In his homily, Very Rev. Langbao inspired BSU constituents to give thanks even after the activities or programs to commemorate the Charter Day and to give thanks despite failures and problems.

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VISION

A PREMIER UNIVERSITY delivering world-class education that promotes sustainable development amidst climate change

MISSION

To provide quality education to enhance food security, sustainable communities, industry innovation, climate resilience, gender equality, institutional development and partnerships

CORE VALUES (SLIDES)

Student-centered
Leadership
Integrity
Diversity
Efficiency
Service

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goal I. To develop proactive programs to ensure relevant quality education

Objectives:

1. To benchmark curricular and co-curricular programs with national and international standards
2. To develop alternative learning experiences to enhance skills that match industry needs
3. To develop innovative and relevant curricular and co-curricular programs
4. To enhance proactive student welfare and development programs

Goal II. To develop proactive programs for quality service

Objectives:

1. To enhance relevant human resource development programs
2. To develop effective and efficient innovative platforms for cascading information
3. To enhance and develop employee welfare programs

Goal III. To enhance responsive systems and procedures for transparent institutional development

Objectives:

1. To enhance and develop innovative financial management systems
2. To ensure transparency in all transactions in the university
3. To ensure inclusive and consultative decision making

Goal IV. To develop relevant and gender sensitive research and extension programs for institutional development, sustainable communities, climate resilience, industry innovation, and partnerships

Objectives:

1. To develop relevant multimedia tools in disseminating technology, knowledge and information generated from RDE programs
2. To develop relevant RDE activities that will address current problems and support cultural advocacy
3. To partner with strategic local, regional, national and international entities


Goal V. To strengthen and expand public-private partnership

Objectives:

1. Sustain and pursue functional University-relation with the alumni and other organizations both in the government and non-government entities
2. To strengthen the linkage among academe, industries, LGUs and community

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Participants to the 1st International Conference on Forestry, Environment and Climate Change pose with BSU, Kongju National University and Kyungpook National University officials. The conference was held on January 12-13, 2017 at the Gladiola Center.

BSU holds international conference on forestry, environment and climate change

The 1st International Conference on Forestry, Environment and Climate Change was held in the University on January 12-13, 2017 at the Gladiola Hall. The two-day conference, spearheaded by the College of Forestry in collaboration with Kongju National University and Kyungpook National University of Korea, is one of the University's efforts in promoting sustainable development amidst climate change. It also aimed to create a venue for researchers, discussant, academicians and research partners to share their research findings that can help address some of the most pressing concerns of forest, environment and climate change.

As targeted, the conference brought together 65 participants and presenters coming from Timor Leste, Kyrgyz Republic, Cambodia, and South Korea. From the Philippines, there were participants from the Institute of Agroforestry-CFNR-UPLB, Laguna Lake Development Authority, DENR-CAR, ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity, Saint Louis University, Benguet Federation of Farmers and National Power Corporation.

"This activity is an expanded activity primarily because it was an ordinary visit from the two Universities (Kongju National University and Kyungpook National University) but since there were also graduate students from both Universities, it became a conference on forestry, environment and climate change," shared BSU President, Dr. Feliciano G. Calora Jr. He added that on the part of BSU, the conference is also a dry run, a pilot for a series of international conferences to be hosted. BSU will also host the 1st International Conference on Food, Culture and Environment on May 15-18, 2017.

The papers presented in January 12 includes: "Growth prediction models using Korean NFI data" by Prof.

Young Jin Lee of the Kongju National University of South Korea; "Undertaken measures to mitigate the impact of climate change in Kyrgyzstan" by Bakyt Bekzhanov of the SAEPP, Kyrgyz Republic; "The Impact of forest resources declines: Analyzing forest-related income supplements to reduce the cause of income inequality and poverty of Kouy indigenous people, Kampong Thom province, Cambodia" by Sareth Nhem of Cambodia; Forest Policy Sector of Timor Leste by Julito Fatima Dos Santos De Araujo of Timor Leste, a BSU forestry student; The Philippine Forests: Cordillera Administrative Region by BSU President, Dr. Feliciano G. Calora Jr.; Edible ECM Mushrooms at Pine-based areas in Benguet and Mt. Province by Dr. Bernard S. Tad-awan of the BSU-College of Agriculture; and Thrusts of DENR on Promoting Climate Resilience on Forestry by For. Julius K. Cawilan, CDD Chief of the DENR-CAR.

Most of these papers presented on the first day focused on forest inventories, social factors behind forest resources decline, relationship of the forest sector to climate change and climate change mitigation measures within the locale of the presenters. Through videos, Prof. Lee shared a detailed methodology employed in the National Forest Inventories done in Korea. Bekzhanov who described his country as the Switzerland of Central Asia emphasized the importance of the Kyrgyz Republic forests in preventing negative climate change. Nhem dwelled on the how the reduction of forest resources would affect poor indigenous people. De Araujo shared the struggles and challenges of a young country regarding forest policies. The presentations triggered discussions among the participants.

In January 13, the papers presented are: "Development Pathways of Selected Upland Farming



The BSU-CVM Rodeo Club members pose with BSU President, Dr. Feliciano G. Calora Jr. on January 23, 2017 after they presented their award as Rodeo Tanay champions.

Rodeo Club rules 6th Tanay Rodeo Festival

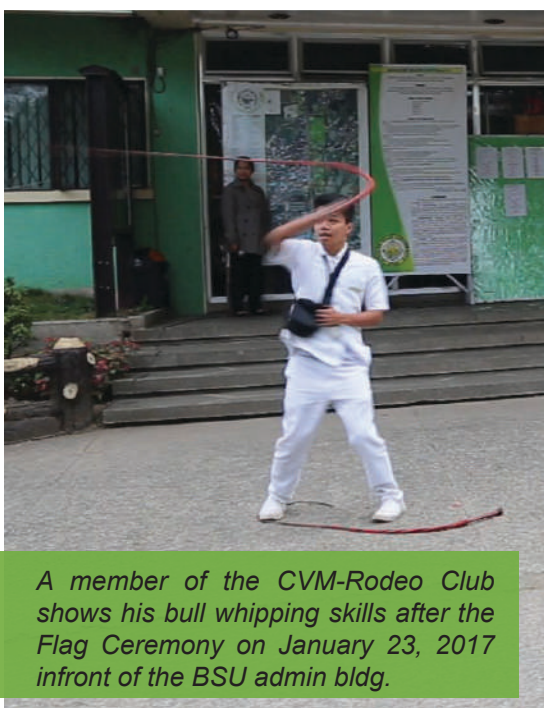
The BSU-College of Veterinary Medicine Rodeo Club is the over-all champion of the 6th Tanay Rodeo Festival held on January 14-16, 2017 at Tanay, Rizal Province.

The club won in ten events including the Rodeo Queen competition, Carambola Men (1st place), Carambola Women (1st place), Calf Wrestling Women (1st place), Casting Down Women (1st place), Bull Riding (2nd place), Calf Wrestling Men (2nd place), Casting Down Men (2nd place), Bull Whipping (3rd place), and

Carambola Women (3rd place). Members of the club are Mark Anthony Barreyo, Chuck Bulayungan, Clint Buelta, Christopher Dulnuan, Denzel Dulnuan, Kaine Javier, Richard Memeg, Ricky Padul, Dwyer Pocal, Dale Askley Reyes, Julius Sumingao, Angelbert Vidal, Fatima Ablayan, Remi Joanne Casumpang, Jirah Cayabyab, Masmin Chogsayan, Monica Kadatar, Chrisnalyn Kimpay, Divina Lidawan, Elaine Mae Naganag, Lutgard Marie Oca, Kearly Salaid and Lhoren Faith Velasco. Their coach is Dr. Jocelyn

Runas.

The Tanay Rodeo Festival is held annually every third week of January by the municipal government of Tanay. This is to promote and market the town's cattle and agri-eco tourism not only within the municipality but also in the CALABARZON region. The festival is also in line with the celebration of Tanay Town Fiesta. It is participated by professionals and rodeo enthusiasts, and veterinary/animal science students from renowned universities in the country.//



A member of the CVM-Rodeo Club shows his bull whipping skills after the Flag Ceremony on January 23, 2017 in front of the BSU admin bldg.

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Communities in the Philippines" by Dr. Leila D. Landicho of the Institute of Agroforestry, CFNR-UPLB; "Compatible stem taper, volume, green weight and biomass estimation for two cypress species of South Korea" by For. Nova D. Doyog of Kongju National University; "Utilizing Beneficial Microorganisms For Enhanced Plant Growth and Climate Change Adaptation" by Dr. Joycelyn T. Zarate of Biotechnology, UPLB; "Tree Height Quantification with the Use of DSM Generated from UAV-Acquired Imagery" by Dr. Lynn Talkasen of the College of Agriculture, BSU; "Predicting Land Use and Land Cover Change Impacts on Water and Sediment Yields using SWAT Model in the Laguna de Bay Watershed" by For. Azyleah C. Abino of the Laguna Lake Development Authority; "ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity Programs and Initiatives" by For. Andrew A. Evangelista of the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity; "Ecological Impact Evaluation of a Bioremediation Study in a Mine Waste Dump" by Dr. Marissa R. Parao of the College of Forestry, BSU; and "Landslide Vulnerability Assessment of Ibulao Watershed using Geographic Information System (GIS)-Ifugao, Philippines" by For. Bernard Daipan of the DENR Regional Office. There were also six papers presented in poster form.//

Proud child of BSU graces event

For the Charter Day Program, Mr. Abner K. Lawangen was invited to be the keynote speaker. He described himself as one of the proud children of BSU. Lawangen graduated from the University in 2006 with the degree Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science major in Resource Management. Lawangen recently received the Dangal ng Bayan Award in 2016 for setting up Disaster Risk Reduction Management programs and engaging indigenous communities in disaster preparedness. He is the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer of the Municipality of Tublay, Benguet.

"As an alumnus, I feel proud of being part of our Alma Mater's Charter Day Celebration! I stand with all the children of Benguet State University in commemorating the continuing commitment of our school, in moulding individuals to become rightful assets of the society. We are witnesses, to the growth and development that BSU underwent – from a rural agricultural school to a competent university today. Its road of transformation is very tough, but we are grateful to the brilliant and visionary minds who positively projected its extraordinary growth and who laid its developmental blue print," he said in his speech.

He ended his speech by sending out a message to BSU graduates who are looking for jobs.

"Find your passion and your core strength. Find the job that suits what you love, find where you can grow and develop. Have the imaginative mind to foretell what you will be in your workplace, what you will have not only in terms of the physical and financial compensation but the satisfaction and fulfilment you will gain from doing the things you love. To all children of BSU find the resources and the skills needed to turn your brilliant ideas into actions."

Former members of the BSU Board of Regents were also recognized during the program which includes past BSU President, Dr. Ben D. Ladilad, Student Regents Norrel Osting, Ruth Eteng and Mark Mackay.

The program was also attended by Engr. Alfonso T. Lao representing Senator Bam Aquino who chairs the Senate Committee on Education; La Trinidad Mayor, Hon. Romeo K. Salda; Department of Agriculture-CAR Regional Director, Dr. Lorenzo Caranguian; Department of Interior and Local Government-Benguet Field Office Director, Rufina T. Fegcan; Ma. Geraldine F. Casipit of the Commission on Higher Education-CAR; Julieta B. Aban of the Department of the Department of Public Works and Highways-CAR; Anlyn Garcillian of the BSU Multipurpose Cooperative; Dr. Nancy A. Bantog the Department of Science and Technology-CAR; Cecille Aguilan Basawil of Department of Social Welfare and Development-Car; Marilyn Dizon of PhilHealth-Benguet; Manuel G. Vergara of Technical Education and Skills Development Authority-Benguet; Romangelli P. Donzo of the Government Service Insurance System-Baguio Branch; and BSU officials, faculty, staff, retirees and students.

University honors loyalty of employees

In the afternoon of January 31, 2017, there were 18 retirees and 95 employees who received their loyalty awards for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of service to the University.

The honorees were entertained by the Highland Cultural Dance Troupe, Lowland Cultural Dance Troupe and the BSU Glee Club.

"While you are serving the University in various capacities, in one way or the other, you are contributing to its development," BSU president



Mr. Abner O. Lawangen addresses BSU guests and constituents during the Charter Day Program on January 31, 2017.

Dr. Feliciano G. Calora, Jr. said as he thanked the retirees for their service, commitment and loyalty.

He also invited the retirees and service awardees to always look at the big picture that their small roles will actually lead to the development of a stronger University.

In response, Dr. Sonwright B. Maddul, a 40-year loyalty awardee reminisced his years in the University and likewise thanked the University, its past and present leaders for grooming him into becoming a leader as well.

For the retirees, Dr. Silvestre L. Kudan, a former professor and Director of Extension Services gave a heartfelt message for BSU.

"We are grateful for our Father in heaven who allowed us to reach this day to allow us to attend this program intended for us retirees. Thank you for recognizing our little contributions to our University. We, the 18 retirees in 2016 are also grateful to our University for employing us to work in the different units where our services were needed. In every turn,

Participants and resource persons to the Federalism conference on January 30, 2017.



Federalism conference held at BSU

In view of the intention of the current administration for a federalism form of government in the country, a conference titled, "Federalism for the Philippines: The Next Step Ahead" was organized by the BSU-Institute of Public Administration, Association of Schools of Public Administration in the Philippines (ASPAP) and the Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA).

The conference was held on January 30, 2017 from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at the University Gymnasium.

Papers presented during the conference includes: "The State of Local Government Affairs in the Cordilleras, vis-à-vis the Philippines" by Dir. Marlo L. Iringan, CESO V, Regional Director of the Department of Interior and Local Government-CAR; "Role of the Academe in a Federal Philippines" by Dr. Alex B. Brillantes, Jr., Commissioner of the Commission on Higher Education; "Federalism: An Alternative for Philippine Democracy" by Atty. Raul L. Lambino, Deputy Secretary-General Constitutional Reforms-PDP Laban and Lead Convenor of the PDU30 CORE to Federalism; "Federalism and the Future of Local Governance in the Philippines" by Prof. Edmund Tayao, Executive Director of the Local Government Development Foundation; and "Laying the Foundations for a Problem-Driven Process of Political Reform" by Mr. Madison Dominguez of the Constitutional Reform & Rectification for Economic Competitiveness & Transformation (CoRECT).

An open forum followed after each presentation facilitated by Dr. Gretchen Gaye C. Ablaza of IPA, Prof. Genevieve Lorenzana of the Philippine Military Academy, Atty. Julie Binaldo-Velasco of IPA, and Prof.

Mary Jane Olaes-Najarilla of Saint Louis University.

The conference was attended by more than 500 participants representing the Local Government Units (LGU) of Tabuk City; Kalinga; Municipality of Lubuagan, Kalinga; Benguet; Municipalities of Sablan, La Trinidad, and Tublay, Benguet; Municipality of Vigan, Ilocos Sur; Dagupan City; Municipalities of tadian and Paracelis, Mt. Province; the academe including Saint Luis University, University of Baguio, Kalinga State University, Mountain Province State Polytechnic College, Cordillera Career Development College, University of Sto. Tomas, Philippine Military Academy, UP Baguio and Ifugao State University; National Line Agencies including the Department of Education, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and the Mine and Geosciences Bureau.//



CHED Commissioner, Dr. Alex Brillantes was one of the resource speakers during the Federalism conference on January 30, 2017.

Five degree programs awarded Level II Accreditation Status

Five degree programs under the College of Arts and Sciences were recently awarded Level II Re-accredited Status by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACUP), Inc. Effective November 2016 until November 2020, programs that can lay claim to this status include PhD Science Education (Biology), MS Biology, MA Applied Statistics, MA Mathematics, and BS Environmental Science.

Based on the results issued by the AACUP, ratings obtained by the different programs in all 10 areas evaluated are above the required minimum mean of 3.00. Computed grand means were likewise above the required rating of 3.50.

Meanwhile, five Masters degree programs under the College of Agriculture (Agronomy, Animal Science, Entomology, Horticulture, and Plant Pathology) and two baccalaureate degree programs under the College of Teacher Education (Secondary Education and Elementary Education) were evaluated for Level IV-Phase 2 in November 2016. All seven programs, however, retain their Level III status. According to AACUP, the programs "must comply with mandatory recommendations" until November this year. A minimum grand mean of 4.50 and area mean of 4.00 need to be obtained before Level IV Re-accredited Status will be awarded.

To date, out of 47 accredited degree programs in the main campus, 10 are awarded Level I; 16, Level II; and 21, Level III.//Janet Lynn Montemayor

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we were compensated for our bread and tea thus we were able to support our families. The University also gave us opportunities to train and visit other countries thus expanding our horizons in life."

The 10-year service awardees include Johnabel T. Basatan, Yvonne D. Bolayo, Remegio T. Calayan, Ricky C. Calbayan, Edlyn Mae N. Ciano, Daisy G. Del Rosario, Renante C. Estera, Ramon C. Fingaan Jr., Editha A. Grande, Adamson N. Labi, Andres Arnold W. Lampacan, Oliver

C. Malafu, Melody P. Marchewka, Elizabeth M. Masado, Noel S. Pariñas, Chrisando P. Paza, Sagayo C. Sagongen, Nomar A. Simeon and Jojo N. Tero. The 15-year service awardees are Agrepina G. Aludos, Jaime N. Antonio, Reymondo W. Awas, Bryan C. Bangnan, Chrisanto P. Basquial, Rex John G. Bawang, Leila P. Buloguey, Mary Rose B. Catapang, Eleazaar C. Cirilo, Aurora S. Cuyan, Agustin D. David Jr., Terrilyn G. Dontogan, Lauren P. Kipaan, Cynthia T. Lubiton, Perlita B. Manodon, Frevy T. Orenca, Josie A. Pulgue, Marjorie C. Ricardo, Arnold R. Rosario, Marycel T. Sajise, Clyde A. Senti, Emilio P. Siso Jr., Penelope F. Tica-a and Dominga S. Tomas. The 20-year service awardees are Stanley F. Anongos Jr., Martina A. Deponio, Kenneth A. Laruan, Aida P. Laweng, Harland Gary B. Pawid, Jean Jeannette D. Sibayan, Gregorio C. Taag and Jimmy A. Wakat. The 25-year service awardees are Estrellita M. Daclan, Joel C. Dicksen, Clemente S. Dogyang, Ma. Azucena B. Lubrica, Serano L. Oryan and Severino B. Wales Jr. The 30-year service awardees are Pedro B. Abalos Jr., Elizabeth M. Bay-an, Diego D. Bulangen, Mandy K. Catalino, Merville Gene L. Luzadas and Thomas P. Masillem. The 35-year service awardees are Rufina L. Apayew, Emeliano L. Augusto, Melecio A. Balangen, Anna D. Bestre, John P. Botengan Jr., Dolora D. Buliyat, Rosemary B. Chamos, Evangeline B. Cungihan, Emilia F. Dayap, Pedro Y. Decina, Lino C. Diclas, Pedro G. Dinulong, Helen S. Fernando, Fernando R. Gonzales, Linda P. Goygoyan, Carlito P. Laurean, Guilita L. Lumedio, Valentino L. Macanes, Genaro W. Macasieb Jr., Victoria C. Milo, Asuncion L. Nagpala, Magdalena D. Pandosen, Armando P. Pasaoa, Jocelyn C. Perez, Mary Joy S. Rapuso, Aurea Marie M. Sandoval and Leonila R. Sito. The 40-year service awardees are Sansera B. Bodia, Pacita B. Boyagao, Sonwright B. Maddul, Canuto S. Paran and Manuelito Z. Tirazona.

The retirees are Virginia J. Kebeng, 44 years of service; Erma K. Mamaril, 41 years; Luciana M. Villanueva, 40 years; Eulogio V. Cardona Jr., 40 years; Loreta W. Saro, 39 years; Jose G. Balaoing, 37 years; Maria R. Vasquez, 37 years; Jaime J. Ganaden, 37 years; Norma S. Mayos, 37 years; Silvestre L. Kudan, 34 years; Leopoldo N. Tagarino, 34 years; Antonia S. Diansen, 34 years; Maria Ana C. Tanyag, 34 years; Moreno P. Lopez, 28 years; Maria Luisa C. Utsig, 28 years; Aida B. Camsol, 27 years; Editha Fernandez, 26 years and Rita P. Bumatay, 17 years.//



Faculty and staff from different Philippine Normal University campuses meet with OQAA staff regarding BSU Quality Assurance program on January 11, 2017.

The BSU Logo

Two versions of the BSU Logo is being used by the University. However, the official BSU logo is the one with a computer monitor in the background of the circle representing RESEARCH and an open book, laurel leaves and torch on the circle representing INSTRUCTION.



The BSU Official logo as approved by AdCo Action No. 2071, s. of 2011.



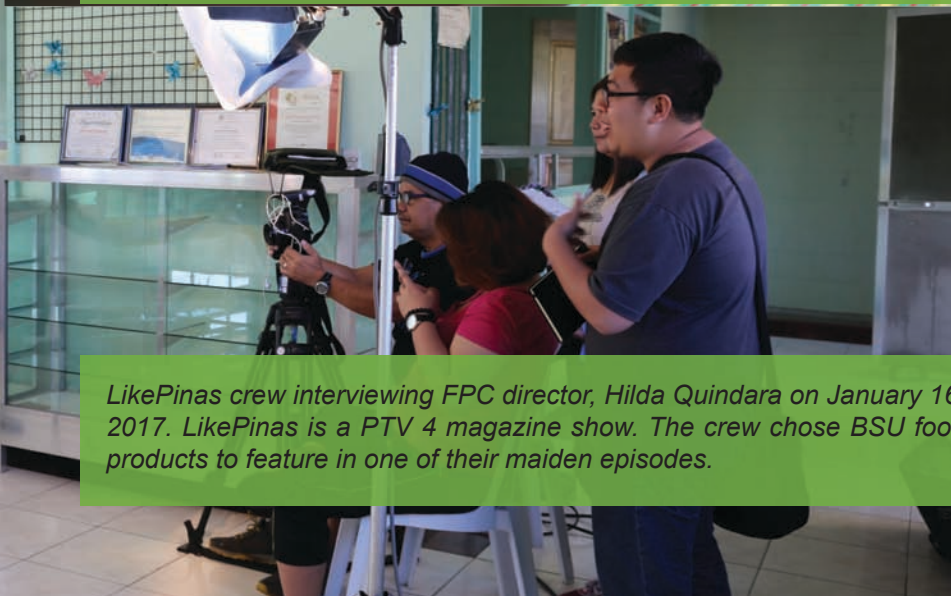
The unofficial version of the BSU logo



The US Chief Deputy of Missions to the Philippines, Mr. Michael S. Klecheski was in the University on January 27, 2017. He was welcomed by the BSU Administrative Council led by Dr. Feliciano G. Calora Jr. The visit was to look at US programs where BSU could be a part of.



Officials from the University of Cagayan Valley were in the University on January 13, 2017 to meet with BSU VPs. UCV is currently preparing for their upcoming Institutional Sustainability Assessment.



LikePinas crew interviewing FPC director, Hilda Quindara on January 16, 2017. LikePinas is a PTV 4 magazine show. The crew chose BSU food products to feature in one of their maiden episodes.