



UB FORENSIC SCIENCE PROGRAM GOES GLOBAL: COLLABORATION WITH THAI UNIVERSITY

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SEE: The nine Forensic Science interns of 2023 with faculty members, Ms. Karla Gamongan and Dr. Warren Moyao.

THE University of Baguio is expanding its Forensic Science program through an innovative partnership with Huachiew Chalermprakiet University in Thailand. This groundbreaking collaboration began with a 28-day laboratory training and cultural immersion program in Thailand for nine UB forensic science interns. The program provided invaluable hands-on experience through lectures, lab work, and visits to prestigious institutions like Chulalongkorn University and Siriraj Hospital's Faculty of Medicine. The clinical laboratory training and cultural immersion lasted from March 7 to April 1, 2023. Interns gained essential skills training in DNA analysis, molecular biology, anatomy, pathology, and computer forensics. They also obtained practical knowledge at the Institute of Forensic Medicine Police Hospital and the Office of Police Forensic Science. Beyond technical training, the program enabled cultural immersion through activities like visiting the Khao Kheow Open Zoo and learning critical life-saving skills including fire extinguishment, first aid, and evacuation

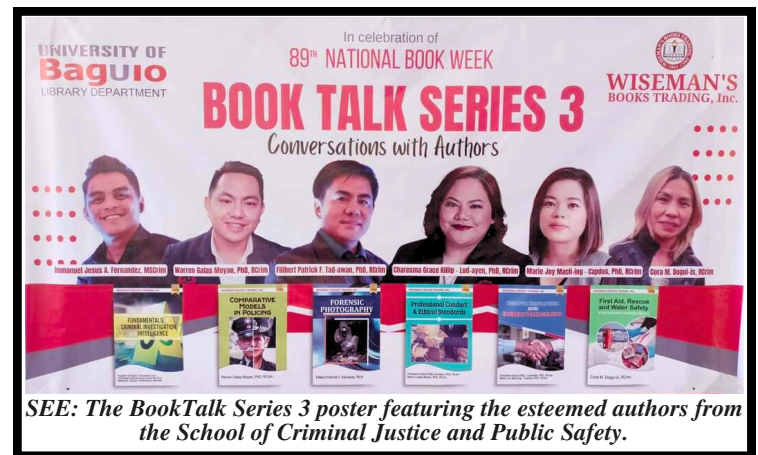
techniques. This international collaboration aligns with UB's commitment to developing skilled professionals, fostering sustainable growth, and delivering quality education. It empowers students to become globally competent forensic science experts, equipped with the real-world knowledge and experience to address modern challenges.

EXPERTISE CALIBER: SCJPS AUTHORS IN BOOK TALK SERIES

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THE University of Baguio Centennial Library hosted a Book Talk series in collaboration with Wiseman's Books Trading to celebrate the 89th National Book Week on November 16, 2023.

Showcasing the highest caliber of expertise and knowledge in the field, School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety authors, including Dr. Charisma Grace Lud-ayen, Dr. Warren Moyao, Dr. Marie Joy Capdos, Dr. Filibert Patrick Tad-awan, Mr. Immanuel Jesus Fernandez, and Ms. Cora Dogui-is took part in the event. The Book Talk series also aimed to inspire faculty and staff to publish their research and written works in reputable press outlets. Recently, new books were released featuring other members of the SCJPS faculty, including Ms. Karla Gamongan, Ms. Priscilla Joy Terpakem, and Ms. Glenda Gandalera-Alos.

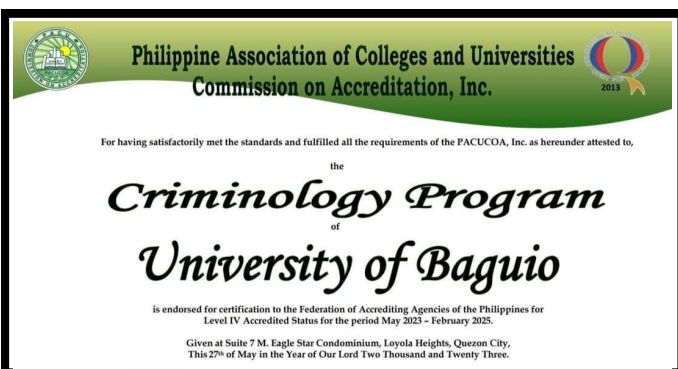


SEE: The BookTalk Series 3 poster featuring the esteemed authors from the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

UB'S CRIMINOLOGY PROGRAM EARNS TOP-TIER ACCREDITATION

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THE University of Baguio (UB) celebrates a significant achievement for its Bachelor of Science in Criminology program. The program has been awarded the prestigious Level IV Accredited Status by the Philippine Association of Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (PACUCOA), Inc. This distinction, valid from May 2023 to





February 2025, signifies the program's exceptional quality and commitment to meeting PACUCOA's rigorous standards.

This recognition displays UB's unwavering dedication to providing top-notch criminology education. By successfully meeting PACUCOA's stringent evaluation, the Bachelor of Science in Criminology program solidifies its position as a frontrunner in criminology

education within the Philippines.

The Level IV Accredited Status stands as a powerful testament to the program's commitment to academic excellence. It assures prospective students that they will receive a comprehensive and quality education, equipping them with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their criminology careers.

BUILDING PEACEFUL AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE EDUCATION SECTOR

MS. CORA DOGUI-IS

ON March 10, 2023, the SCJPS, RMFB 15, and Lady Eagles Club organized two outreach activities at Pinget Elementary School. The first activity focused on educating the pupils about the strategies used by communist groups to recruit members. The children needed to understand these tactics to prevent them from falling prey to such influences.

During this session, the RMFB 15 personnel provided valuable advice on the roles that students can play within their homes and communities to promote peace and unity. By empowering the youth with knowledge and guidance, the outreach program aimed to equip them with the necessary tools to resist negative influences and contribute positively to society.

In addition to the seminar on counter-insurgency and anti-terrorism, a fire safety and prevention workshop was facilitated by Mr. Benjamin Dulipas, faculty



SEE: RMFB 15 personnel during the outreach activity.

member of UB SCJPS. According to him, fire safety is a significant aspect of community resilience, and individuals need to know how to prevent and respond to fires effectively.

The workshop demonstrated the proper use of fire extinguishers and other fire prevention methods. By educating the participants on these essential skills, the outreach program aimed to enhance their ability to protect themselves and their community from the devastating effects of fire incidents.

TRESMANIO, RECOGNIZED OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARDEE

MARIE ROSE SUBDI

September 2023 - JSINSP Bartolome B. Tresmanio, a graduate of Bachelor of Science in Criminology, was recognized as an Outstanding Alumni awardee by the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety during the University of Baguio Alumni Foundation Incorporated (UBAFI) Red and White Gala and 75th Founding Anniversary Celebration.

JSINSP Tresmanio's exceptional accomplishments while serving the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology did not go unnoticed. He received numerous awards and commendations for his outstanding performance, which is a testament to his dedication and hard work. He was



SEE; JSINP Bartolome Tresmanio with President Engr. Javier Bautista after the awarding ceremony.



SEE: JSINP Tresmanio with the Dean and other SCJPS Staff.

also conferred as a Regional Awardee in the Civil Service Commission Search for Outstanding Government Workers under the Dangkal ng Bayan Category. He was the Cordilleran semi-finalist at the national level in 2018.

JSINSP Tresmanio's commitment to serving the country and its citizens is a testament to his outstanding leadership and service-driven initiative. He is a hallmark of the academic excellence and exceptional professionalism that UB graduates embody.

ART OF FORENSICS IN THE DIGITAL ERA: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

MARIE ROSE SUBDI

On 14 April 2023, the three-day seminar series with world-renowned experts from India, Dr. Ranjeet Singh and Dr. Vijay Rustagi commenced at the Centennial Hall, University of Baguio.

The first day focused on Cyber Forensics and Questioned Documents Examination. The second day



SEE: World-renowned experts, Dr. Ranjeet Singh and Dr. Vijay Rustagi

was a seminar workshop on Questioned Documents Examination and Fingerprinting Techniques. Finally, the last day was a discussion on Forensic Anthropology, Crime Scene Investigation, and Management.

The international conference themed "Exploring the Arts of Forensics in the Digital Era" provided a platform for experts to share their knowledge and experience and for participants to learn about the latest techniques and technologies in the field. The seminar served as a reminder of the critical role of forensic science in the criminal justice system and the importance of staying up-to-date with the latest techniques and technologies in the field.



UB SCJPS LOCKS PARTNERSHIP WITH HOPKINS INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS, INC.

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The University of Baguio School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety (UBSCJPS) has formed a valuable partnership with Hopkins International Partners, Inc., an authorized Educational Testing Service (ETS) representative for the Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC®) in the Philippines. This partnership aims to enhance the English proficiency



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skills of students and faculty members and promote English language certification in the country to support employment opportunities, global competitiveness, and national economic development. Hopkins International Partners, Inc. is dedicated to supporting individuals and organizations in improving their English language skills through the administration of the TOEIC® test. The faculty members, staff, and students of UBSCJPS have participated in the TOEIC® test sessions held on July 23, 2022, August 6, 2022, and October 5, 2022. By undergoing this assessment, the participants have gauged their English-language communication abilities required

for the workplace and daily interactions. The TOEIC program serves as a global benchmark for evaluating English proficiency, making it widely recognized by educational institutions and businesses worldwide. Possessing a TOEIC certificate provides individuals with a competitive edge in the job market and opens up opportunities for career advancement and personal growth. Additionally, with English being the universal language of commerce and diplomacy, a strong command of the language is essential for fostering international relationships and collaborations.

SCJPS PATRIOT SPIRIT ON FIRE THROUGH YFP-BAGUIO

HAYDEE LANGGAWIT

THE Youth for Peace Baguio Chapter (YFPBC) Officers and members mostly a composite of SCJPS students rendered their services during the clearing out of the areas of Block 3 and Block 4, Baguio City Public Market on March 16, 2023.

Consequently, the said organization excluded the age of becoming by exemplifying its commitment to its advocacy as it rendered its service and volunteerism on the fire during the night of March 11, 2023, bringing down Block 3 and Block 4 of the Baguio City Public Market. Amidst the dangers posed by the remains of what was engulfed by the destructive fire, the members of Youth For Peace Baguio Chapter in collaboration with Baguio City Police Office (BCPO), Task Group Baguio, Navy, 1401st CDC, Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) and other volunteers we're the first to step forward offering what they can to help in the cleanup drive that aims to enable the vendors to safely return to their livelihood in the shortest possible time.

The students exhibited a remarkable spirit of volunteerism through their active involvement in community service. Their altruistic attitude is

The Program Outcomes for both the Bachelor of Science in Criminology and Bachelor of Forensic Science was also discussed.

The students were also reminded of the students' discipline, requirements and grading systems, and a calendar of activities including examination schedules. Other than that, the department's uniform for both BFSC and BSCrim was presented and shown especially to transferees and freshmen, and they were reminded of when to wear specific uniforms.

After all, this program aimed to provide details about the said university department and the necessary information concerning the present Academic year.



SEE: YFP Officers from SCJPS helping during the hauling of burnt debris and ashes on the site.

commendable, and their willingness to contribute towards the betterment of society is a testament to their sense of civic responsibility. Their efforts have undoubtedly contributed to the overall development of the community and have set an excellent example for others to follow.

DEPARTMENT ORIENTATION: A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

ALLYSON BUNA

The faculty and staff of SCJPS conducted an orientation to the students enrolled in the academic year on the 16th of August, 2023 at the UB gymnasium.

The program started with the reading of the Vision-Mission, including the objectives of the university. Added with is the department's mission and objectives.

UNLOCKING THE SECRETS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION

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SEE: Judge Jacinto Dela Cruz Jr., among the speakers, delivering his remarks and lecture during the event.

IN a collaborative effort, the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety, in partnership with the Philippine Investigation and Forensic Science Academy, organized a seminar on the Investigation and Prosecution of Intellectual Property Cases held on December 2-3, 2023, at the RCB Dome in Building B. This enriching seminar, accredited with 15 Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Units, drew professionals from various government and private institutions, fostering a diverse and dynamic learning environment. The event served as a valuable platform for attendees to enhance their expertise in the intricate aspects of intellectual property investigation and prosecution, contributing to the continuous professional development of participants across different sectors. This seminar delivered an exhaustive exploration and deep insights into the legal dimensions surrounding the safeguarding of intellectual

property rights. Encompassing a diverse array of topics, the session delved into the foundational principles and operational methodologies pertinent to the investigation and prosecution of cases involving patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. Attendees were afforded a comprehensive grasp of the legal framework, enforcement mechanisms, and evolving trends within the realm of intellectual property law.

LAST September 27, 2023, the University of Baguio's Center for Counseling and Student Development hosted a Career Fair and Booth Competition in commemoration of Guidance and Counseling Month.

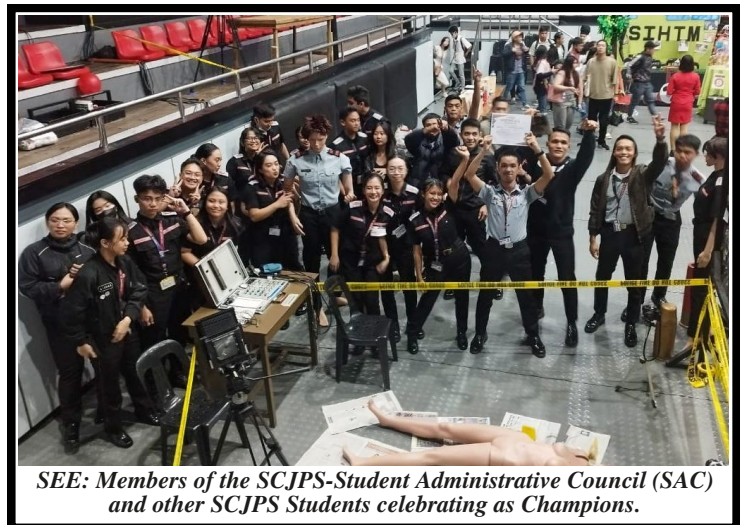
The event saw the presence of the different invited schools, who showed their support by exploring the different booths prepared by various high school strands and colleges. These booths provided valuable career information to help students make well-informed decisions regarding their future educational paths and career choices.

During the event's finale, the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety, was crowned as the champions in the booth category as they were able to captivate the participants and guests' interests. Their booth showcased the components and operational intricacies of the Polygraph machine, offered a comprehensive guide on the materials and proper fingerprinting techniques, and featured a demonstration of marksmanship with a pellet gun and bullet shells, emphasizing precision and expertise.

A standout feature of their presentation was the creation of a crime scene, inviting the participants to engage and discern whether the scenario depicted is a suicide or murder, relying on the evidences laid out in the crime scene. This interactive element added a layer of engagement and intrigue, showcasing the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety's commitment to immersive and educational experiences in the realm of law enforcement and public safety.

SCJPS TRIUMPHS AT UBCCSD'S CAREER FAIR: THE ART OF EXPERTISE

ALLISON BERMUDEZ



SEE: Members of the SCJPS-Student Administrative Council (SAC) and other SCJPS Students celebrating as Champions.



BAHID-ALAB CLASS OF 2024 PARTICIPATES IN ADORE!

MARIE ROSE SUBDI



SEE: PAT Ysrael Rard-Jay Butale, PNP-ADORE Lecturer and UB-SCJPS Alumna during his discussion.

On January 31, 2024, the Philippine National Police Drug Enforcement Group (PNP-DEG) welcomed Criminology and Forensic interns to participate in its Anti-Illegal Drugs Operations through Reinforcement and Education (ADORE) campaign. The PNP-DEG's

IN a heartwarming display of support and encouragement, criminologist examinees were given a memorable send-off event on January 31, 2024, as they prepared to take the upcoming licensure examination. The event, held at the RCB Dome of the University of Baguio, focused on invoking divine guidance, uplifting spirits, and imparting words of wisdom from esteemed mentors.

The atmosphere was charged with anticipation as students gathered to seek blessings and support from above. Led by the Student Administrative Council (SAC) Officers and the faculty of the School of Criminology, Justice, and Public Safety (SCJPS), attendees engaged in prayers and heartfelt singing, setting the tone for the journey ahead. Inspirational messages from instructors stirred the hearts of the examinees, instilling in them a sense of purpose and resilience.

The Dean, Dr. Charesma Grace Killip Lud-ayen, delivered a poignant word of wisdom, urging the examinees to remain focused on their goals and to strive for excellence, thereby bringing pride to their alma mater. As a tangible gesture of support, the SAC Officers and SCJPS Faculty ensured that examinees were equipped with essential materials for the examination. Additionally, the camaraderie among the students was evident as some examinees sought the assistance of different faculty members to sharpen their pencils, symbolizing a collective wish for good luck and success.

initiative aimed to combat the proliferation of illicit drugs through a multifaceted approach that combined enforcement and education.

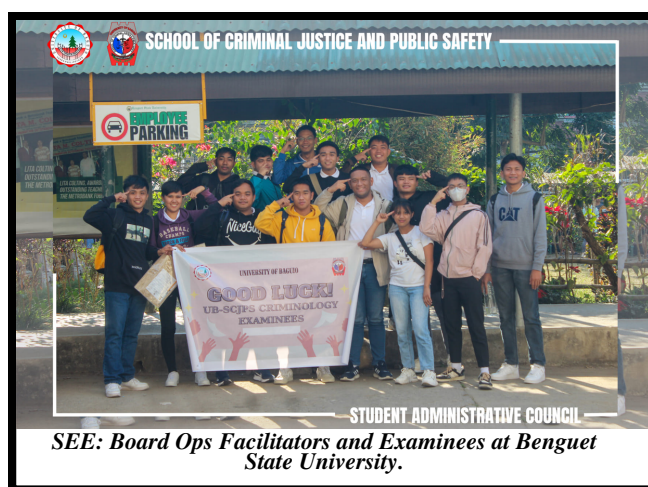
Pat Ysrael Rard-Jay Butale, an alumna of the University of Baguio School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety, delivered the discussion as the primary lecturer, accompanied by other PNP-DEG personnel.

The lecture focused on the Drug Situation in the Philippines and the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 or the Republic Act 9165. Pat Butale also shared his insights and experiences to inspire the students to practice their best performance.

The program allowed the interns to engage with personnel from law enforcement groups, which could potentially ignite their interest in this field. The interns' involvement in the program afforded them valuable experiential learning opportunities, allowing them to gain practical insights into the challenges and complexities of drug law enforcement. This collaboration between the PNP-DEG and the academic community exemplifies the importance of partnership in addressing the issue of illegal drugs. It underscores the shared responsibility of all stakeholders in promoting public safety and well-being.

SEND OFF EVENT INSPIRES EXAMINEES TOWARDS SUCCESS IN FEBRUARY CLE 2024

STEPHIE ROSE MAGNO



SEE: Board Ops Facilitators and Examinees at Benguet State University.

Throughout the grueling four-day examination period from February 1-4, 2024, interns, SAC Officers, and Faculty members stood steadfast outside the gates of the examination venue, offering words of encouragement and unwavering support to the examinees. Their presence undoubtedly bolstered the examinees' confidence and morale, fostering a sense of unity and solidarity within



the academic community. The culmination of these efforts bore fruit as the results of the licensure examination were announced. With an impressive overall passing rate of 74.24%, it became evident that the combination of passion, dedication, and unwavering support from the school community had contributed significantly to the success of the examinees. Reflecting on their journey, the newly licensed criminologists expressed gratitude for the guidance and encouragement they received along the way. Their

triumph serves as a testament to the power of unity, faith, and perseverance in overcoming challenges and achieving one's dreams. As they embark on their professional careers, these criminologists carry with them the lessons learned and the bonds forged during their time at the School of Criminology, Justice, and Public Safety. With hearts filled with gratitude and determination, they step into the future, ready to make a meaningful impact in the field of criminology and beyond.

UB-SCJPS INTERNS IN BAGUIO'S VIBRANT PANAGBENGA

THEODORE DOMOGUEN

Fifty-five (55) Forensic Science Interns rendered duty as crowd control for the opening of Panagbenga 2024. Meanwhile, a team of six (6) was also deployed by the Baguio City Internal Affairs Services (BCIAS) to assist in the inspection of ranks and personnel last February 3, 2024.

In a vibrant display of culture and celebration, the Panagbenga Festival of Baguio City is an event that draws thousands of locals and tourists alike. As the city comes alive with colorful floats, dances, and parades, ensuring the safety and smooth flow of the festivities is paramount. This year, the University of Baguio School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety (UB-SCJPS) stepped up to the challenge once again, deploying its interns to contribute to crowd control and personnel augmentation during the festival held on February 24-25.

Amidst the crowds of spectators and participants, the UB-SCJPS interns played a crucial role in maintaining order and security. Under the guidance of experienced professionals from the Baguio City Police Office, these interns were tasked with various responsibilities, including crowd management, traffic control, and assisting festival-goers.

For the interns, this opportunity was more than just a requirement—it was a chance to apply their academic knowledge in a real-world setting and to hone their skills in crisis management and public safety. Engaging in hands-on tasks such as crowd monitoring and conflict resolution provided invaluable experiential learning, allowing them to develop practical strategies for effective crowd control.

Working in a dynamic environment like the Panagbenga Festival presented its share of challenges. From navigating through dense crowds to managing unexpected situations, the interns encountered various obstacles that tested their adaptability and decision-making skills. However, these challenges also served as



SEE: Criminology and Forensic Science interns during their briefing and after their deployment to their respective posts.

valuable learning experiences, teaching them resilience and the importance of teamwork in high-pressure scenarios.

Beyond the learning opportunities, the involvement of UB-SCJPS interns in the Panagbenga Festival had a tangible impact on the community. Their presence bolstered the manpower of law enforcement agencies, allowing for more efficient crowd management and ensuring the safety and enjoyment of everyone involved. By actively participating in civic events like the Panagbenga Festival, these interns demonstrated their commitment to serving and protecting the public.

The Involvement of the UB-SCJPS interns in crowd control and personnel augmentation during the Panagbenga Festival of Baguio City exemplifies the importance of practical training in professional development especially in the field of Public Safety. Through hands-on experience and exposure to real-world challenges, these interns not only enhanced their skills



but also made a meaningful contribution to community safety. As they continue their journey in the field of criminal justice and public safety, the lessons learned from this experience will undoubtedly shape their future

endeavors, preparing them to become competent and compassionate professionals dedicated to serving their communities.

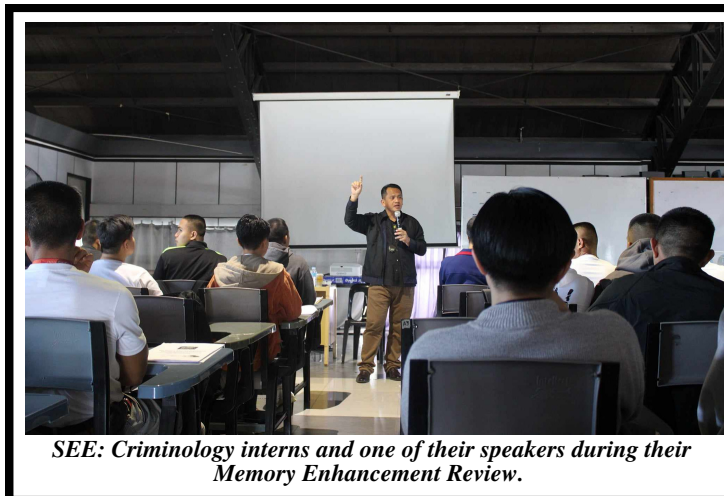
CRIMINOLOGY interns at the University of Baguio were recently provided with a transformative opportunity to enhance their cognitive abilities and maximize their learning potential. By the collaboration of the SCJPS Department headed by the Dean, Dr. Charesma Grace Killip Lud-ayen and Mr. Robert Racasa with the Center for Global Best Practices (CGBP), a memory enhancement seminar was organized specifically for criminology interns for 2 days dated January 27 and 29, 2024 held at the RCB Dome B Building, University of Baguio.

The activity enables the participants to apply the memorization system introduced by Mr. Racasa by using the golden key points of memory and RACASYSTEM. It is geared towards memorizing definitions of terms, paragraphs, dates, and laws. This activity also imparts test-taking strategies for the participants to become future board exam top rankers.

The criminology interns were able to memorize definitions of terms provided by the speaker because they utilized the word-image association technique which is very effective in memory retention. The fact that many students were able to recite the Preamble proves that the location technique is very effective in memorizing long texts. The participants were able to memorize dates and laws by mastering the RACASYSTEM and the 00-99 images system.

BOOSTING COGNITIVE SKILLS: MEMORY ENHANCEMENT SEMINAR

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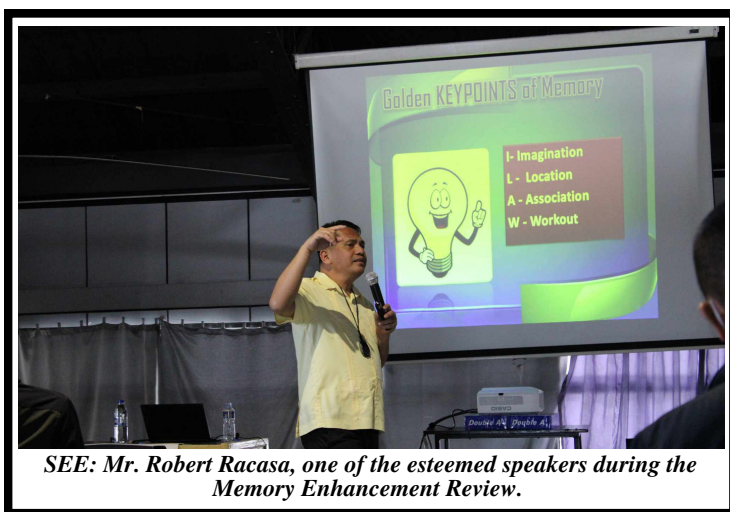


SEE: Criminology interns and one of their speakers during their Memory Enhancement Review.

The primary goal of the 2-day seminar was to introduce interns to practical memory enhancement techniques that

could be effectively applied not only in their day-to-day activities, whether in the offices and fieldwork, but also for the preparation of incoming Criminologists Licensure Examination and their future careers in law enforcement and criminal justice. Through a combination of informative presentations, interactive workshops, and hands-on exercises, interns were exposed to reminder devices, visualization techniques, and effective study strategies proven to enhance memory retention and recall.

The Memory Enhancement Seminar for Criminology Interns at the University of Baguio exemplifies the institution's commitment to providing a holistic education that prepares students for success in their chosen fields. By investing in the cognitive development of its criminology interns, the university is nurturing the next generation of competent and skilled professionals in the field of criminology.



SEE: Mr. Robert Racasa, one of the esteemed speakers during the Memory Enhancement Review.

WHAT IS THE SPARKS?

It is the official publication of the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety. It is re-established for 2024 after the long-enduring pandemic stopped its production last 2019.

WHAT'S NEXT?

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THE COLUMNS

AM I IN, OUT, OR BOTH: PAINTING OVER BLACK-AND-WHITE PERSPECTIVES IN THE NEW NORMAL

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Out with the old, in with the new.

Or can we have a little bit of both old and new?

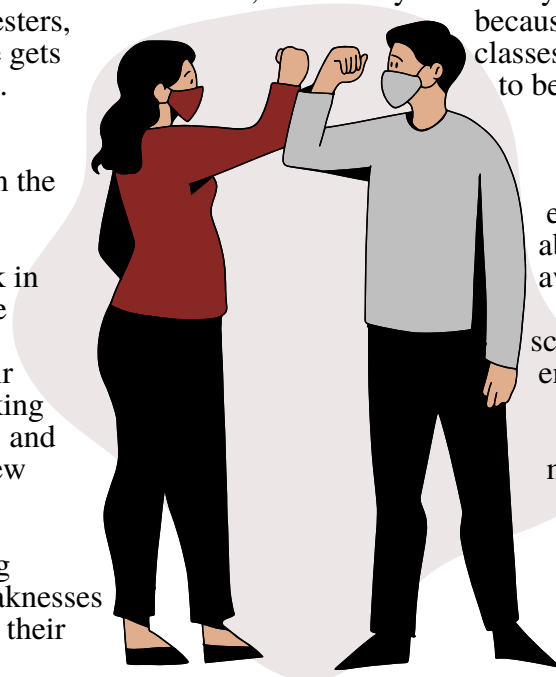
Typically, your first-ever first day at university will be filled with stories of new encounters, but when you sit out front of your computer screen, you see your classmates and instructors in two dimensions. You only have two choices: do you like them or not? Then, the following first days of your semesters, until the social isolation mandate gets lifted, will equally be as eventful. There mostly is detachment.

The hallways were not as loud on the first day everyone met in person. Whenever I recall being back to school after a long summer break in elementary and high school, I see visions of best friends being inseparable, girls waiting for their crushes at the stairwell, boys talking about something a little too loud, and teachers excited to see what is new with their favorite students. The fondness of those memories was instantly replaced by eyes lurking around to find out what your weaknesses were and proud smirks, realizing their first impressions were accurate.

I experienced scrutiny like all others did. On my first step onto the eighth floor in my third year, I felt eyes following me around – waiting to see if my brains washed away when I dyed my pink hair plain jet black. It did not feel great, but at the same time, justifiable because no one gets to know someone over the internet deeply. I got stuck in the same friend group I had since my first year, not by choice but bound by the thought that no one would like to talk to me after getting intimidated via Zoom. Now that I experienced the love of friendship after getting to know my classmates for who they are in reality and not based on the memes they share, I crave more time to spend with them.

Many would call senior high school graduates of 2020 lucky for spending almost three years of their university life online, but I beg to disagree. Learning needed more

effort rather than being spontaneous after a hands-on activity. Visual learners thrived, auditory learners struggled when lines broke, and kinesthetic learners had no means to excel. Modules were searched, not read. Above all, it was impossible to learn from classmates through the screen. There was no legitimate truth-based schema of people; when they spoke, it would come off as bida-bida, and people did not care to think whether they were studying hard and reciting to get a scholarship because of familial financial struggle. If online classes were a courtroom, everyone would fight to be a judge.



We were not lucky, but we were able to grow somehow – in a different way than expected. Indeed, there was more to learn about the courses, but spending more time away from the pressures of college opened my eyes to many things. I ended high school distant from my family and am now ending college wishing I could be close to them forever. I got to balance life as a content creator and creative writer, meeting people from all walks of life who could get me closer to my dreams. I was able to travel while Google Meet was running on my phone. And, to be honest, sometimes miss the flexibility of online learning and the fact that I could rest while studying. My physical health

was at its peak.

There are many things I miss about the online class setting. I wish I still had the freedom to delegate my time to my passion beyond studies. But it would be dear to erase all memories of fake niceties and isolation. I used to think it was either online or face-to-face, but now I desperately grasp the in-betweens. There is no point in thinking black-and-white when we can all admit there are aspects that we love about both. As we enter the new normal, which I believe could be a term for who we came to be after all that, let us think of this life as a gradient instead.



AGWAT NG HENERASYON

FELINA THECIA CALLANO

Ang sangkatauhan ay nagbabago sa paglipas ng maraming panahon. Bawat henerasyon ay may hanay ng mga sariling ideya at pananaw sa mundo na umaambag sa pag-unlad ng isang lipunan. Gayunpaman, habang ang pag-iisip ng tao at katalinuhan ay umuunlad sa paglipas ng panahon, ang tao ay unti-unting nababagot sa mga bagay sa mundo. Ang kabataan sa kasalukuyan ay mayroong potensyal ngunit ito ay nakikita bilang isang desperado at nababagot na ugali. Nagiging masigasig sila na kumilos at matuto sa mga bagay ngunit di kagustuhang gabayan o sundin ang mga karanasan ng mga nakakatanda sa paraang hakbang-hakbang. Kaya ang mga nakakatanda sa loob ng isang bahay ay nagiging maingay dahil sa pagsalungat sa paraan ng pamumuhay ng mga kabataan at nakikita ang mga kilos nito bilang isang bastos at desperado. Gayun rin ang madalas nilang pagkukumpara sa mga panahon na sila'y bata pa sapagkat sila'y mahusay at maraming nang alam at nagpapakita pa ng matinding paggalang sa may edad at tradisyon.



Madalas na pinupuna ang kabataan sa kasalukuyang panahon sa pamamagitan ng paglalarawan sa kanila bilang isang henerasyong nagrerepresenta ng walang malinaw na layunin o prinsipyo. Sila ay nakikita bilang isang grupo na walang katapatan na nagpapakita ng patuloy na pagsuway sa awtoridad ng magulang at nakasanayang kaugalian ng lipunan. Sa isang maliit na palagay, sila ay nakikita bilang isang henerasyon ng mga taong adik sa droga at may kaugaliang umakit ng atensyon sa pamamagitan ng di kaasam-asam na gawain. Kaya nakukumpara ang mga modernong kabataan sa mga nakaraang henerasyon sapagkat tinuturing silang tiwali at tumutungo sa daang di kaaya-aya na kung ihahambing sa mga kabataan ng nakaraan ay napakalayo kung tutuusin.

Ngunit kung isipin ng maigi, hindi lamang kabataan ang masisisi ngunit ang lipunan din mismo. Ang paglagong kasaganahan sa mga lipunan ay nagbibigay ng mas magaan pamumuhay sa bawat tao sa mundo sa pamamagitan ng teknolohiya at agham. Ang mga bata ay nakakatanggap ng perang kinakailangan nila mula sa kanilang mga magulang na nagiging bihira nang magtrabaho para sa pamumuhay na kung ikukumpara

noon ay kinakailangan pang magtrabaho ang bawat miyembro ng pamilya kahit sa murang edad para sa ikakabuhay ng lahat. Ang nakasanayang paraan ng pagdidisiplina ng nakaraan ay hindi na pwedeng gawin dahil ang pagkakaroon ng sugat o pasa sa isang bata ay tumatagal ng 24 na oras at maaring makulong ang mga magulang dahil sa kasong child abuse.

Kung titignan natin ang mga kabataan ngayon, malinaw na hindi lamang kabataang nag-iisa ang dapat sisihin. Maari man silang husgahan sa kakulangan ng kanilang kaalam ukol sa kanilang kagustuhang makamit. Mahalagang gabayan ang kabataan sa tuwid na landas para sa kapakanan ng lahat pati na ang hinaharap sa pamamagitan ng pagiging modelo upang maimpluwensiyahan sila ngunit hindi kinakailangan na parating ginagabayan ng mataas na prinsipyo ang kabataan sa lahat ng oras. Kinakailangan din ang kaugaliang di pagsunod sa mga bagay lalo na kung ito ay nagpapakita na ng kamalian. Ang karahasan ay natural lamang sa mga kabataan. Lalo na kung nadarama nilang sila ay tama at sila'y sinasalungat parin ng awtoridad, sila ay nadadala sa emosyon at dahil sa pagkabigo at di kasiyahan, napupunan ang puso nito ng poot at karahasan.

Kagaya ng nakasaad sa itaas, ang sangkatauhan ay nagbabago kasabay ng panahon kung kaya't hindi na nakakagulat na ang kabataan ay magbabago at magbabago rin sa bawat henerasyon na lilipas, kaya dapat kasabay ng pagbabagong ito ay ang pag-iintindi at pag-uunawa hindi lamang ng mga nakakatanda sa mga bata kundi pati na rin ng mga bata sa mga nakakatanda, pag-intindi at pag-unawa na ang mga kabataan at nakakatanda ngayon ay ipinanganak sa magkaibang henerasyon na nangangahulugan na ang paraan ng pamumuhay noon ay maaring hindi na angkop ngayon, at ang itinuturing na mabuti noon ay maaring hindi na ngayon. Gayunpaman, ang kabataan ay kabataan pa rin, hindi pa sila ganon ka dalubhasa sa buhay, kaya kailangan pa rin nila ang gabay ng mga nakakatanda na may mas maraming karanasan kaysa sa kanila. Ilang henerasyon man ang lumipas, magbago man ng husto ang paraan ng pamumuhay ng isang tao, hindi magiging epektibong tao ang isang bata kung wala ang turo at mga payo ng mga nakakatanda.

CORPS AND STAFF PLUS EXECOM: AN ARDUOUS CHAPTER OF DILEMMA

MARIE ROSE SUBDI

2022—a year in which time and people have become precious. I was eyed to be assigned to the S1 position as an ROTC cadet and pushed for election for the Student Body. Unexpectedly, I became both. I took oath as the Personnel Officer and the Governor. Have you ever felt like you're drowning in deep, cold water? Because that's how it felt like. Most people saw me as someone who had it all together- the authority and the responsibility attached to it. But truth be told, I often felt like the weight of all the things I had to do overpowered me. It was tough to keep my head above water.

Eyes sunk, dehydrated body, grumbling stomach, dropped shoulders, and cramping legs. The first month was the most difficult. I wasn't dealing with just two, not three even with my academics, but four with my work as an ESL teacher. I stopped working and thought about which of the two to let go. I have foreseen a very arduous journey, yet I felt obligated to keep the oath I made for both. I let go of neither. I served as the Student Body Governor and the UBROTCU Personnel Officer. It consumed my time and health, draining me until the last drop.

It was the choice I made that made me lose most of me —my peace, my focus, and my sanity. Other than a challenging phase of my life, it was rather a shower of opportunity for me. In the best possible way, I learned the importance of taking rest, having a healthy environment, and strong social relationships. Through

the experience, I learned to be gentle with myself the hard way. I was driven by the pressures of those who assigned me and the expectations of those who elected me while forgetting that I was also a student with responsibilities inside and outside my home.

This academic year, I've cried numerous times because of both disappointments and joy. I've questioned my abilities, even my principles. I've disconnected from the life I've lived for the longest time. But after that, I realized- I have lived. The thrill I wanted went like a roller coaster with highs and lows, fast and slow. Indeed, what doesn't kill you makes you stronger.



To cut short, be gentle with yourself, especially when the whole world is unkind. You need not lose yourself before you say "No" to your uncertainties. It's a long way of learning and going through life's games. Be the gentlest with yourself. Be yourselves' strongest soldier and biggest fan. I am proud of you. Much love, Mara.

CULTURAL INTELLIGENCE IN EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP

FELINA THECIA CALLANO

The world had never been more interconnected than right now. With the prevalence of social networking sites and online meeting platforms connecting everyone, we not only constantly meeting and interacting with new people, but we are also getting introduced to the culture that shaped who we are as a person. Culture is generally defined as a shared characteristic between a group of people. These shared characteristics can span diverse categories ranging from shared customs and norms, personal beliefs or backgrounds, traditions, and

behaviors, etc.

Cultural intelligence is crucial to survive in today's interconnected world, because of how interconnected we are, a lot of issues that our society faces today transcend boundaries and require us to consider,

diverse perspectives that include cultural ideas and norms. Thus, now more than ever, we need to harness cultural intelligence as a tool to help us navigate this diversity to come up with effective solutions that also transcend boundaries.

Cultural intelligence is defined as the ability to cross divides and thrive in multiple cultures. Culturally intelligent leaders value understanding those who are different from them. These leaders know how to operate concerning many overlapping cultural contexts whether it may be racial, political, geographical, religious, social or others. They harness and use their cultural intelligence to communicate with different people coming from different backgrounds and motivate them to move towards the same goal. Culturally intelligent leaders know how to use the diversity within their team and leverage it to conceive of a better solution or produce a better outcome. These leaders cultivate a mindset that embraces and celebrates differences. They balance a strong sense of self with their ability to adapt





to different people, situations, and circumstances.

When we cultivate cultural intelligence, we also foster a more inclusive community. By valuing and celebrating cultural diversity, culturally intelligent individuals contribute to the creation of a society where all voices are heard and respected. Then, differences will no longer be seen as barriers but as opportunities for growth and

learning. Through understanding and empathy, cultural intelligence promotes social harmony, paving the way for an interconnected world that is characterized by mutual respect, cooperation, and solidarity. Thus, as we navigate our ever-evolving interconnected world, embracing cultural intelligence is not only essential for effective leadership and individual success but also for the collective well-being of our interconnected world.

THE ART OF LEADERSHIP FROM A MILITARY-GROOMED LEADER

THEODORE DOMOGUEN

BS-Criminology Intern Theodore N Domoguen former Corps Commander of the University of Baguio ROTC Unit, now takes the helm as the ongoing Battalion Commander for the BS-Criminology intern Class Bahid-Alab 2023-02.

Domoguen is the current Battalion Commander for the Class Bahid-Alab 2024. Jumping from the role of Corps Commander of the UBROTC unit to a Battalion Commander of the internship program is another part of his Leadership Journey. His exposure and experience from the ROTC program garnered him the appointment for this position.

According to intern Domoguen, Character over Competence, Confidence over Arrogance, Discipline, Lifelong Learning, Bearing, and Leadership by Example, and Commitment were apparent traits that one needed to effectively act out this leadership role. "As I observed during my time in the ROTC as well as from the first two agencies that I have rendered duty already having character over competence, is one of the sought characteristics within the military and law enforcement." Having no competence and a bad character become tyrants, having competence but a bad character steps on others to make themselves look good, and having character but no competence forces a leader to rely solely on his subordinates but they do make good decision-makers. An effective leader must have competence and a well-developed character.

Doing the hard things, undergoing hard training, admitting and owning up to your mistakes, and learning that success is partially because of your leadership but mostly because of the hard work and dedication of your teammates can truly develop confidence, not arrogance.

Discipline is the ability to make yourself do something even if it is difficult so that you achieve a goal, you must have the discipline to wake up early to do PT, to study hard, to train hard, and to do what is in the best interest of the Class.

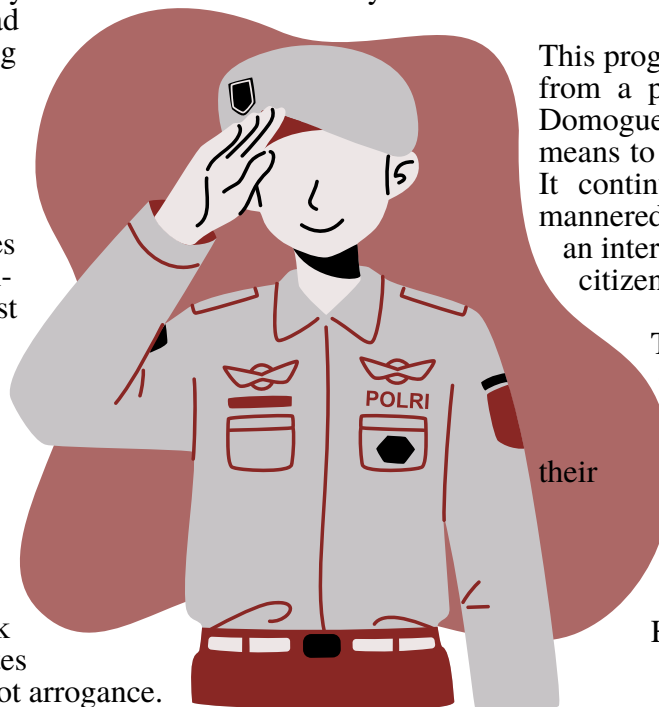
Law enforcers and the military develop their leaders through continuous leadership programs, and so too must an intern maintain his thirst for knowledge, and undergo the enhancement review even when tired, to prepare for the board and beyond.

What you show as a leader is often seen by your subordinates, and so a bearing that is on the professional and military level must be maintained. Having self-discipline and self-respect can influence subordinates to do the same. Leadership by example. From this internship program I have become my own toughest critic, by placing a lot of pressure on myself, I push myself to be exceptional. And finally, commitment. Throughout this internship, I developed the mindset that "Quitting is not an option." You are part of a team so you must not let it down, set goals and accomplish them.

This program is an endeavor that takes a lot from a person, it took a lot from intern Domoguen. However, for him, it was all a means to accomplish his dreams and goals. It continues to shape him into a well-mannered and disciplined person not just as an intern but a student, a son, and a citizen of the nation.

The Internship program is the final endeavor for the BS-Criminology and BS-Forensic Science students and concludes

their education journey but at the cost of physical and mental fatigue, late-night study sessions, extended duties, and many more. However, for intern Domoguen he believes that "Hardship builds Character."





QUARTER-LIFE CRISIS OF AN AVERAGE? ACADEMIC ACHIEVER

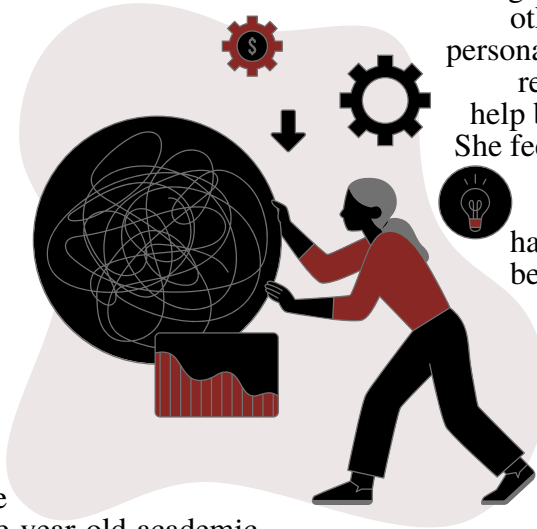
MA. ANGELA S. STA. ANA

“It’s supposed to be fun, turning twenty-one.” But hers was unplanned; she never thought she was going to reach this age. She did not have any plans at all– how could she? It’s a future she had never foreseen. Not knowing what to do, this brought her to sort to being an academic achiever– or at least that’s what she pretends to be. It was all she could ever be, she made it her personality. For seven semesters, that’s the image she maintained in order to achieve some sense of responsibility and accomplishment within herself. But now she’s stuck with a new problem; she’s in her last semester and she doesn’t know what she’ll be when she’s done with her bachelor’s degree. Transitioning to the real world is a thought she fears. After years of making her academic accomplishments her identity, a question arises: who is she beyond her academic achievements?

Quarter-life crises are more common than we think– and in this case, there are a lot of factors that a twenty-one-year-old academic achiever may face. Undeniably, there is the existence of pressure to succeed. With all the hard work built in the past several years, she thought it would be a shame to see herself unsuccessful. “What would others say?” is what she worries about the most. It cannot be avoided to think about others’ opinions because who are we kidding? There would certainly be people who like to nose around someone else’s life– and as much as she wants to ignore those, it could not be avoided that those things would have a bearing on her, gradually instilling

fear. Undoubtedly, this fear of failure comes with being an academic achiever. This fear inhibits her from taking risks and pursuing opportunities because the feeling of unfamiliarity gives her the idea that she may not be good at it instantly. And to avoid failing, she’d rather not risk coming out of her comfort zone. With this, more issues within herself would branch out, affecting her personal relationships, development, and self-growth. It had become a challenge for her to navigate relationships with other people, which then resulted in her personal development and self-growth being renounced. At that point, she could not help but compare herself to others her age. She feels stuck– stagnant, with no direction in life. She would question what she had been doing for all the years she had been alive– why others seemed to be more successful, why others seemed to have found meaning in their life. As the complexities of adulthood start to write her life, she feels as if she’s in a void.

While all these things may feel overwhelming, they can serve as a catalyst for self-reflection and discovery. Although it is not easy to overcome this crisis instantaneously, she tries. She acknowledges that she is in a crisis, which is an important start-up in repressing her problems. She tries to see things positively and as what others say, she is good at gaslighting herself that everything will be alright. Through self-reflection, she comes to understand that there will always be uncertainties in life, and failing does not devalue her worth.



WHAT MAKES A LEADER?

FELINA THECIA CALLANO

Most people think a leader is the head and face of a body of people. They would think that a leader must dish out commands have everything figured out or be the best and most capable person. Some think that a leader should do not only the best but do most of the work in a project, for example. More realistically, some people would think that the leader just needs to know how to make the group of people work well together and to mediate and facilitate discussions to make sure everyone is moving towards the same goal. For me, those traits and behaviors are what leaders naturally end up having to do when they are in that position but are not necessarily what makes a good leader.

I believe that leadership is about self-awareness and

sacrifice. Someone who possesses good leadership is someone who understands that they may be the least skilled (in a hyper-specialized team) and therefore might not contribute the most on paper and accepts that their role is not to command and facilitate but more so to aid and to care for their members. They would know how to look at their members, see their strengths and weaknesses, and delegate a task to that member that would utilize their strengths and hide the latter. This person will sacrifice and actively take on the





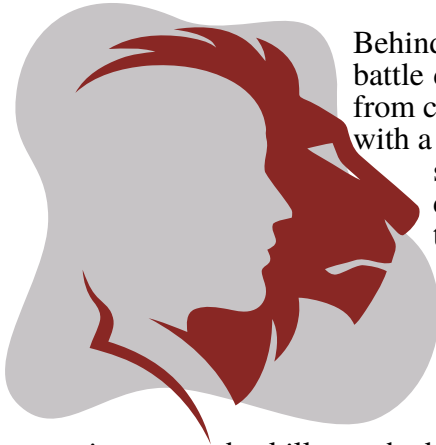
responsibilities, the dirty tasks, the hardest tasks that no one wants to take, all as an effort to increase the chances of bringing out the best in their team both as individuals and as cooperative work.

What makes a leader isn't just about being in charge. It's

about understanding your team, understanding their strengths, and being willing to do whatever it takes to help them succeed. It's about making calculated sacrifices and shouldering their burden. It's about humility, empathy, and a willingness to get your hands dirty to ensure everyone thrives.

BEHIND THE ARMY GREEN BATTLE DRESS UNIFORM

MARIE ROSE SUBDI



Behind the snappy army green battle dress uniform, complete from cap to boot, is a little girl with a faint heart. As a college student trapped at home during the pandemic, I thought listing my name in the list of recruits would create a thrill in my college life. And that I was wrong - not a thrill, but a roller coaster of emotion,

experience, and skills rushed to me. As the pre-officership training commenced, I started with a battle against asthma and low stamina. While working late nights as an ESL teacher and intense training in early

mornings, the goal was taxing and draining. But a goal's a goal. Days went to weeks, then months, until the training was concluded. It wouldn't be possible for me to survive if I wasn't surrounded by great leaders. I was once an element prone to medical alibis, but guided by amazing roster of servant leaders, I've emerged from a simple element to a platoon leader.

A way of being a leader that makes a mark starts with sharing necessary knowledge and skills among those who wish to come next. Mentoring is not just for professors, students, and student leaders. It's God's gift to have great leaders to look up to, teach us what to do, and become our friends rather than be our bosses. Be a leader who anyone can approach, be the leader anyone can call to, be the leader people will remember.

WHAT'S NEXT?

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"UNMASKING THE MOTIVATION: UB-SCJPS ACCOMPLISHED AUTHORS SHARE STORIES BEHIND PUBLISHED BOOKS"

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To celebrate the 89th National Book Week on November 16th, 2023, the University of Baguio Centennial Library hosted a Book Talk series in collaboration with Wiseman's Books Trading. The event aimed to promote the value and benefits of reading and writing within the university community, and to encourage members of the community to read and write creatively. The Book Talk series also aimed to inspire faculty and staff to publish their research and written works in reputable press outlets.

The event featured a panel of esteemed authors from the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety, including Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-ayen, Dr. Warren Moyao, Dr. Marie Joy Capdos, Dr. Filibert Patrick Tad-awan, Mr. Immanuel Jesus Fernandez, and Ms. Cora Dogui-is. These authors shared their experiences and insights on book writing and publishing and showcased their intellectual contributions to the field. The event was an opportunity for the university to highlight the work of its authors and to foster a love for literature and storytelling among the participants.



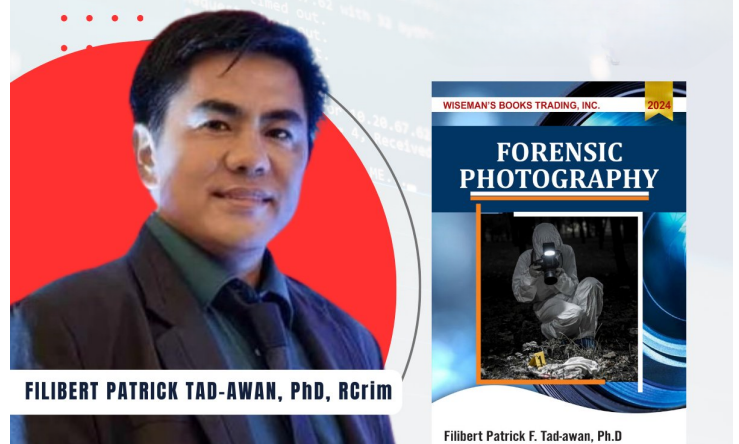
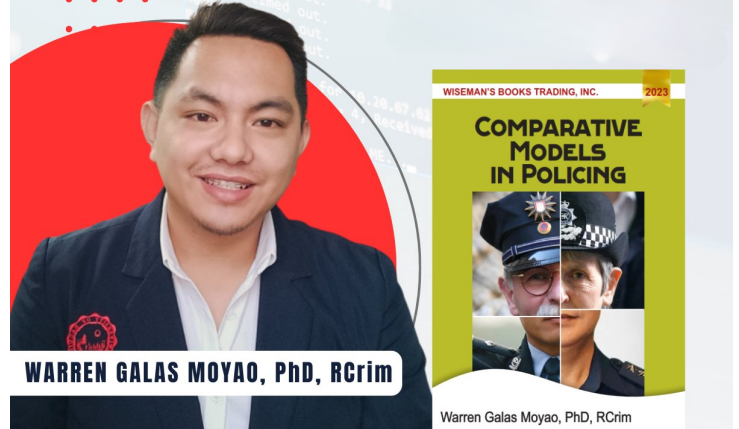
The authors of the book discuss its potential impact on readers and beneficiaries. This publication aligns with the Professional Regulation Commission's recent specifications for the Board examination of Criminologists.

The book will enrich the knowledge of criminology and forensic science students, as well as practitioners and law enforcement agencies. The distinguishing characteristic of these books lies in their simplified structure, designed to facilitate comprehension for students engaging in self-directed learning. These published works serve as a means of communication with the reader, imparting a wealth of information that can be utilized to cultivate knowledge and practical skills applicable to real-world situations.

During the talk, Dr. Lud-ayen, one of the authors and Dean of the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety, shared the motivation behind writing and publishing the book. She emphasized that *"Looking into the landscape of education right now, it is all about collaboration, participation, and sharing"*. Many individuals are pursuing criminal justice and preparing for licensure examinations, and the objective of the authors is for the material to reach all criminology, and forensic science students, and practitioners in the Philippines. This collaborative effort allows for a more comprehensive and diverse range of resources to be made available, ensuring that individuals from different backgrounds and experiences can access the information they need to further their education and professional development.

Dr. Lud-ayen added that the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety author's goal in publishing books is far beyond entrepreneur, but extends to sharing wisdom about criminal justice nationwide. This work aims to protect the authors' creative outputs concerning copyrighted literature while focusing on student and faculty development and the advancement of criminal justice education in the Philippines. The goal is to produce globally competent criminologists and forensic scientists. As the event came to an end, they shared their experiences in becoming published authors, providing valuable insights and recommendations on topics such as developing a book concept and engaging in revision processes to ensure quality assurance in literature.

Overall, the event was a huge success, with attendees leaving feeling inspired and informed. The School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety is committed to providing students with opportunities to learn from top experts in the field, and events like these serve as a valuable resource for those looking to make a difference in the world of criminology and forensic science.





CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE: THE REMARKABLE JOURNEY OF SIR BENJAMIN O. DULIPAS

MS. GLENA GANDALERA ALOS

In the four corners of the classroom, there are individuals whose dedication and commitment not only shape the minds of future generations but also leave a lasting impact on the institutions they serve.

Sir Benjamin O. Dulipas is one such luminary, whose journey from a humble graduate to a respected figure in criminology has been truly remarkable. Sir Benjamin began his academic journey by earning a Bachelor of Science in Criminology from the prestigious University of Baguio in 1990. Graduating marked the beginning of a career that would span decades and inspire countless individuals along the way. In November 2001, Sir Benjamin returned to his alma mater, not just as a staff member, but as a source of knowledge and guidance.

Over the years, he has held various key roles within the institution, each contributing to its academic and social fabric. One of his notable contributions has been his role as the National Service Training Program (NSTP) coordinator, where he played a crucial role in instilling a sense of civic responsibility in students and fostering community engagement.

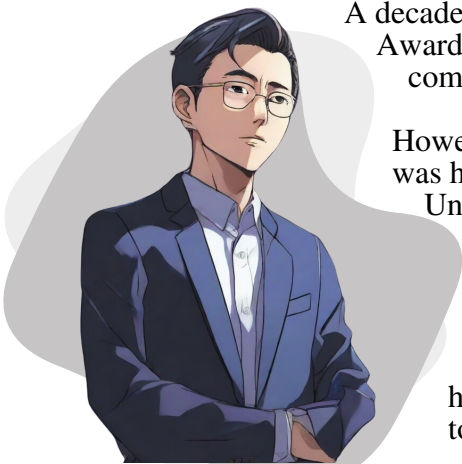
As an outreach coordinator, Sir Benjamin led initiatives that connected the university with the surrounding communities, embodying the values of service and social responsibility. His expertise in criminology also led him to serve as the review coordinator, ensuring students received top-notch education and preparation for their professional lives. Additionally, his leadership as the program chair of Forensic Science raised the academic standards and reputation of the department, solidifying its status as a center of excellence.

Sir Benjamin's contributions have been recognized with numerous accolades and awards throughout his career. In 2003, he was honored as an Outstanding Alumni in Criminology, a testament to his dedication and expertise.

A decade later, in 2011, he was named the Fernando and Rosa Bautista Top Performer Awardee (Teaching Category) for his exceptional contributions to the university community.

However, perhaps the most significant recognition came in 2021 when Sir Benjamin was honored as a 20-year awardee, marking two decades of unwavering service to the University of Baguio. This milestone celebrates not only his longevity but also his lasting impact on generations of students and colleagues. Beyond the awards, what truly distinguishes

Sir Benjamin is his passion for education, his dedication to his students, and his commitment to excellence. His legacy serves as an inspiration to all who have crossed paths with him, reminding us that true greatness lies in the lives we touch and the legacies we leave behind.



BEFORE GAD, THERE WAS WID

FELINA THECIA CALLANO

Women in Development (WID) emerged as an approach to integrate women into the realm of development in the early 1970s. WID framed the idea that women should not only be treated as mothers or household wives but also as integral parts of societal development. They

should not be perceived as “needy” but as “productive” entities in society (Razavi & Miller, 1995). Historically, WID argued that women had enjoyed an equal position with men in agricultural production and should receive development assistance to address inequalities. On that account, the advocates of WID took a top-down approach where reforms were proposed with the intention of involving women in the development process, mainly in the economy and policies. WID was

intention of involving women in the development process, mainly in the economy and policies. WID was proposed and endorsed by development agencies where women were seen as the “missing links” to development.

Thus, many weaknesses of WID and its failure to recognize the deeper causes of women's inability to participate effectively in development across various aspects, and its treatment of women as subordinate, led to numerous criticisms and the formation of GAD.

Through the lens of Gender and Development (GAD), the multiplicity shaping women's lives, such as the innate manifestations of patriarchy expressed in politics, culture, and economics, is examined (Brown, 2015). Moreover, instead of placing women within development agencies, GAD’s approaches aim to transform structures and institutions and address the the diverse needs of genders.

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The recognition by Gender and Development (GAD) of gender differences and the ongoing oppression of women only occurs due to the ineffective approaches of Women in Development (WID). Criticisms regarding perceptions and concepts have exposed the underlying problems that women face in their daily lives, leading GAD advocates to adopt different approaches and measures, in stark contrast to WID. Therefore, it can be discerned that GAD's emergence would not have taken place without WID's attempts to address lingering societal inequalities, and GAD had to fill the gaps to further develop it.



“ONE STEP AT A TIME THERE'S NO NEED TO RUSH. IT IS LIKE LEARNING TO FLY.”

FAITH PAE R. JAVIER
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The song “One Step at a Time” by Jordin Sparks became my anthem song in preparation for taking the Criminology Licensure Exam. This brief yet powerful phrase captures the spirit of managing the complexities of board exam preparation. Learning to fly, like achieving success; requires the 3P’s: patience, practice, and persistence. To succeed, it’s important to cultivate the 3Ps as an attitude of continuous improvement and consistency in behavior, instead of feeling overwhelmed by the magnitude of subjects that need to be covered.

The path to a successful board exam is typically plagued with obstacles, reservations, and periods of self-doubt, even the smartest person in the room experiences it and doubts themselves. Nevertheless, the fear of tomorrow and what-ifs can be combated with proper preparations.

Numerous tips aided me auspiciously such as strategic planning on how to cover the 6 areas with effective time management. Formulating a thorough learning schedule is crucial; this methodical approach guarantees sufficient coverage of the exam areas as well as maximizes learning productivity and enhances morale. Developing a strategic study method according to one's learning style and abilities involves utilizing mnemonic devices, creating visual aids and notes, or forming a study

group with friends to facilitate collaborative learning. Additionally, utilizing available resource materials at the library or on the internet is an advantage since it has a varied range of resources at our disposal, we can decide on the materials and approaches to study that best suit our learning style. Furthermore, participating in mock board examinations is an important part of the preparation. It is an excellent diagnostic tool that helps examinees understand their strengths and limitations especially since it allows us to check our preparation and highlight areas that need to be reviewed and improved. And most importantly once in a while take a breather, reflect, and relax because you have worked hard and tirelessly for it.

Believing in oneself, staying focused on your goals and dreams, and visualizing success can significantly impact your performance on exam day. The fear of the unknown starts upon graduation and dawns upon you until the result comes out. Seeing your name in the list of passers is a big sigh of relief and a moment of triumph for you, your family, the institution, and most importantly God. This is a notable achievement in one's academic journey, as it reflects our four years of dedication, commitment, and determination in school.



DAWN TO DUSK: AN INTERN'S JOURNAL

MA. ANGELA S. STA. ANA

Three in the morning when the alarm rings; eyes squinting, grudgingly turning the alarm off, and goes back to snoozing. It rings at 4:00 AM again, and that's when she decides to stay up. She doesn't start her day as soon as she turns off her alarm, obviously. What she likes to do is to stare into blank space, sometimes rethinking her decisions in life, but often her head is empty. It had become a routine for quite a while now. And just like any other student, it's like an everyday battle with her inner demons: "What if I skip today?" is what she always thinks about - especially on cold Baguio mornings.

As if getting out of bed on a 14-degree Celsius morning wasn't already difficult enough, another struggle of hers is showering in the morning. Of course, she considered showering at night, which she does, only to wake up to an untamable messy hair. She had to wash her hair again in the morning, which not only takes up time but also damages her hair. She has no choice though. At the same time, she has mastered the art of multitasking too— as she dries her hair, she reheats her packed lunch that she prepares every Sunday. It was a more convenient way to save time, effort, and money. As she changes into her uniform, she also takes the time to sit in front of a mirror to fix her face (and still, her hair). One thing that changed from her routine pre-internship was her time to get ready— it was cut from one hour and thirty minutes to ten minutes or less. What is left of her get-up routine is her skincare, specifically sunscreen, which is a must! (unless she cared less about her nape). When she's just about done getting ready, which is usually at 6:00 AM, she assesses if she can afford to eat her breakfast or not. Her meals depend on that, really, as if she has a choice. If she's early enough, then she can have her breakfast, as if it's a reward, which shouldn't be. Since the call time for duty varies every day, she usually leaves forty minutes before the call time, just to make it on or before her duty. That's about that for her morning routine though. There is still more to dread as the day progresses.



As she reaches her designation, although dreading, she still looks forward to what the activities will be for that day. Who wouldn't? It's her time to apply theoretical lessons in real life. It was fascinating for her to be able to listen to the stories of clients, as everything starts to make sense to her now. Also, she doesn't want to miss big opportunities such as attending court hearings, it wasn't something she could do normally. Surprisingly, she also enjoyed the in-agency lectures as they were more in-depth knowledge compared to what she remembers from her theoretical lectures on campus. Not only these but as she observes her surroundings, she has become familiar with the environment of law enforcement agencies and their cultures.

When the skies start to look warm, that's when she feels that the day is almost over. But on some days, not quite so. It depends on the agency personnel what final task the interns must do before they get dismissed. Sometimes, they'd be presenting their musical talent, but sometimes they'd be jogging around the area and doing some exercises. Either way, she just wants the day to end already.

Some days feel long, some too short. Of course, it is not every day that something spectacular happens. But some days are more dreading than any other day. For instance, some important dates for the Panagbenga Festival require them to render their duty. Never did she think that she would walk at 2:00 AM in her GOA uniform to report at the Melvin Jones Grandstand for a call time of 3:00 AM. She had to wake up at 1 AM to prepare, grab breakfast at the nearest 7/11, and take a cab to reach her destination just in time. Unfortunately, as the uniforms for her class were unavailable at that time, they had no choice but to remove their jackets at 4:00 AM, which was tremblingly cold at that time, so they could report to their duties in uniform. It was already hard to stay awake at 7:00 AM, she could barely stand at her post without drifting to sleep. The program had not even started yet, she felt helpless. It was only that day that she was grateful for the morning sun, as it was the only way she could keep herself warm. The event started at 9:00 AM, eight hours since she had awoken. With the glaring sun and the thick black polo uniform, she could feel the heat absorbing in her body for two more hours until they got relieved from her duty. As soon as she returned home, disregarding whether she had eaten lunch or not, she plopped down onto her bed and slept for hours straight, until it was the next day. She caught colds though.

Looking back, she might have taken the internship lightly. She thought her seniors were blabbing and that reporting at 3:00 AM was not that hard - it was. She didn't think of the time needed to prepare and the time to render duty. Really, at that point, she couldn't tell whether the internship was an enjoyable experience or not. Her thoughts were all mixed up.

Although she's only a few weeks in since she started her internship, a lot of things had happened which made her develop a love-hate relationship with it. It's surprising how she started to miss physical training with her classmates during pre-deployment, even though she undeniably complained (to herself, of course) nonstop. It is one of the things that she noticed has changed a lot with her; she used to dread physical training as it can be so tiresome, but now her body is looking for it. It's mind-blowing that she can say that this phase of her life has greatly changed her as a person both in a bad and a good way (it depends on how you see it). Undoubtedly, her patience, perseverance, and her health were challenged. But at the same time, it's as if all the uncertainties she had lessened, and she has become more optimistic now in pursuing her career.

“INAYAN”: CULTURE AND LEADERSHIP

MARIE ROSE SUBDI

Culture is the total of the learned behavior of a group of people that is considered to be the tradition of that people and is transmitted from generation to generation. The Cordillera mountains are home to the peace-loving Igorot people. They are deeply influenced by the principle of Inayan, which is also evident in Cordilleran leaders.

The word "Inayan" is part of the Kankanaey language and refers to the act of holding back or preventing someone from doing something unpleasant towards others. This behavior is motivated by the fear of a supreme deity called Kabunian, who warns or dissuades individuals from causing harm to others. (Leyaley, 2016). In Benguet Ibaloi Culture, we refer to Inayan as "Panyew".

Inayan/Panyew culture emphasizes the importance of peace and harmony. In conflict resolution, community leaders facilitate dialogues to ensure mutual respect and understanding. It is the common practice to sip Barako together at Dap-ayan to talk.

The Cordilleran law enforcement officers are known for their exceptional discipline, making them some of the most respected and disciplined cops and leaders in the Philippines. Entwined with these traits is the unwavering honesty of the Igorot people. It extends to various facets of society, such examples are the Jeepney and Taxi drivers who are recognized for their integrity. They go to different lengths to give back the bag of Momma Kit a passenger left in their taxi. Public trust is considered sacred, and leaders are expected to act with responsibility in the Igorot community.

Serving the community with unwavering dedication is the goal. Not only because leaders are avoiding the criticisms from Aunt Maritess, but because committing fraud is Inayan, and so is committing deceit. The commitment to public service and the refusal to engage in dishonest practices is valued.

Most of all, the Inayan/Panyew Culture fosters humility and partnerships in people. It recognizes the fact that individuals can gather to serve a common goal and egoistic behaviors can hinder the best possibilities. They are aware that one cannot make the community better alone and that they need to make collective efforts for everyone to have a taste of the Watwat during Adivay Season. Igorot leaders are humble and simple individuals who walk out of their houses with no bodyguards but with their Beachwalk slippers or Spartan Boots.

Kidding aside, may this Inayan/Panyew Culture be learned, shared, and celebrated by every student in the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety. That may become their driving force to perform their duties as future law enforcers, scientists, lawyers, and bearers of justice with discipline and integrity. The embodiment of this culture in the student leaders creates a positive ripple effect that will be visible in the coming years. So be it, highs for "Inayan" and lows for "Ay Inayan"!



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THE FLIGHT OF THE PEREGRINES: ON THE FREEDOM OF EXPLORATION BEYOND FOUR WALLS

EUNICE AÑADA

What people admire of a peregrine falcon is its predatory instincts and speed, not recognizing its resilience – its search for an escape and better opportunities upon migration. In their flight, they seek prey but may only be looking to survive. On a land where privileges are scarce for individuals short of the middle class, I often feel like a peregrine running out of hope. Still, I run and do not stop until I get to a place where I can grow.

Upon receiving my second acceptance letter for the ASEAN Young Leaders Programme (AYLP) 2023 in Jakarta, the first thing that intruded my mind was how to get there. I have been working since 2020 to support my needs and lessen my family's burdens, and this was beyond what I could afford with the forethought of my upcoming internship. My current salary can only fund the dailies, with an occasional trip to the thrift store. I eat once a day, unsure whether due to a crippling self-image or a desire to save up for enriching travels like this. I encouraged my best friend to join, and she got in. Now, the struggle was how to get to Indonesia.

Not many people know that I studied at Sekolah Pelita Harapan (Light of Hope School) for two years after my father died in 2018. It was not a dear experience, considering I was left alone in a foreign country after a series of misfortunate events. Nonetheless, I can attribute my perpetual thirst for knowledge to that institution that honed me – thanks to my mother, who worked as an instructor, which came with the perks of free international education to her two daughters. When the COVID-19 pandemic struck, I got stuck in my foster home in the small town of Karawaci, itching to be back to my family. A year of living alone was not as cathartic as romanticized in chick-flicks, especially to a then family-oriented nineteen-year-old who halted her education at a local science high school midway through STEM in pursuit of a better education. She really wanted to become a forensic scientist. To get closer to that dream, she would need to get back to Indonesia, a land she would not have been able to leave if not for the charter flight for OFWs under the previous administration. She left behind her things and her heart so she could fit her beaten life in a single carry-on. Suddenly and desperately, she needed financial support.

One thing about me: I always have my goals in mind. And if it meant asking the University of Baguio President for assistance, I kept keen.

In a letter, I wrote my credentials and what this exploration would mean to my vision of becoming an influential leader in this field and dropped by the Office of the President. I experienced AYLP 2022 in Phnom Penh back when days were not a matter of survival but merely passing, and it broadened my horizons.

The same happened in Bangkok, Thailand, for the Young ASEAN Leaders Policy Initiative (YALPI) 2023 last February, where my colleagues and I bagged the award for 'Best Policy' on the topic of disinformation. I ached for another shot, yet I did not want to raise my expectations much. From then, I spent double the time on work while balancing it with my academics only to afford a roundtrip and 20-kilogram luggage for my abandoned belongings.

It is disheartening to have dreams more immense than your capacity. But one cold noon, Bryienne and I got summoned to the Dean's Office for the approval of our request for assistance. I almost forgot that, in seeming dead-ends, there will always be a glimmer to the way out. Our Dean is among the most supportive educators I know come opportunities. I found out recently, when I thanked the University President in person, that the Dean's approval was what would ultimately matter. At that moment in the hallways of our department, she was hope incarnate, and the future was verdant.

For over a week, we stayed in Jakarta and immersed ourselves in its culture. I took the initiative to be the tour guide, as someone who can converse using the local language. It allowed me to ask striking questions about leadership and connect with the esteemed speakers, drivers, food vendors, and fellow attendees. On the first few days, we explored the city with some of my co-delegates in AYLP 2022 – even broke out of a high-technology escape room with clues relayed only in Bahasa. In the next few days, we delved into the topic of the Future of Work, Digital Growth, and Climate and Sustainability: the three megatrends enveloping the world in this generation. Once more, we developed friendships, mentor relationships, and a mindset that the youth are indeed the future. We had hearty conversations while enjoying a breakfast buffet every morning. However, it was clear to me that – to be there – I still somehow had the privilege to know how to reach out formally to people who could help and, in the first place, had access to the opportunity that led me to become accepted into the program. And I felt for visionaries whose hearts for service beat endlessly but get shackled into poverty. Perhaps, we are all peregrines, but the difference is that, I am finally sheltered and, at the same time, freed in an institution that allows exploration beyond four walls – a place full of opportunities even for those who cannot afford one.

As cliché as it may sound, it is indeed all up here. And is that not good news for Little Miss Peregrine, who wishes to soar higher, even just a tad closer to her dreams each year? I like to think that when we see the potential in people and put our trust in them, their plans stretch out more vividly. And that was what the University did exactly; it bestowed upon me something far more beneficial than knowledge in times of struggle and utter nothingness: it gave me light and hope. As a peregrine, I found where I can thrive.

THE WALLS OF THE LABORATORY: A DOUBLE HELIX JOURNEY

BRYIENNE FAYE MANUEL

Cast with intellectually unwithered curiosities, stand watch within the corners of the laboratory, minds like arms that are widely open, palms out, starving for any flesh of fresh knowledge. Occupying the conceptual space of possibilities, will the laboratory be a good place for them to stay, endlessly reaching out their hands for the public to hold on to? Or, perhaps, these four walls of the laboratory built them a kaleidoscope of relationships that their strings of connections weaved into?

As I witness the spark of dedication in the irises of the Forensic Science students of the University of Baguio, I see the dreams that they, brick from brick, built and guarded by their hearts. But to see them with their passion is one thing, and to see them share the same with their friends and colleagues is quite another. It tells the story of friendships and the dream to one day serve their people.

The day is still young, and like the glowing moon at dawn, I already see the spark of eagerness of the Forensic students as they prepare themselves to embark on a journey that would bring them to the realities of the concepts and theories they learned inside the University. A two-day educational trip to the University of the Philippines Diliman, and the Department of Health Treatment and Rehabilitation Center to witness the waves of the ocean that they chose to ride their vessel to—a lifetime dedicated to science and law.

UBian forensic science students, many of whom have sealed their fates to be forensic experts in the future, a dream they had as young as the age of twelve. To most, it was birthed by one day stumbling upon a television show, while to some, it was through not knowing which branch of the fig tree of aspirations to take—the law or medicine.

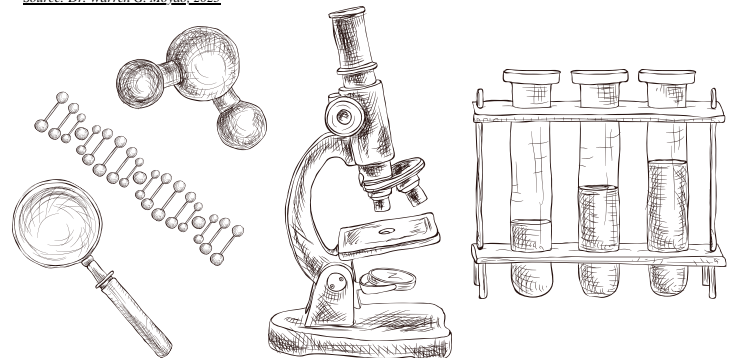
But over the years, they have one thing in common: they have assimilated the concepts of DNA, genomes, and the dangers of illegal drugs. These alone brought them closer to each other—however their differences—it was an opportunity for them to share their passion for forensics and what brought them to this program.

Indeed, the Philippines is a third-world country where science is rather seen as more stagnant than progressive; however, the Educational Tour on the 23rd and 24th day of November 2023 might have proven otherwise. From the Filipino Genomes Research Program by the DNA Analysis Laboratory, Natural Sciences Research Institute of the University of the Philippines Diliman alone, it is clear that the future of forensics in the country will be more progressive than the previous years. By merely witnessing the current DNA data of ethnolinguistic groups in the country, it is evident that Filipino scientists are paving the way to further expanding the current condition of science in the country. Consequently, the state of forensic anthropology in the Philippines has also been progressive. As Ms. Pagaran, a UP Research Associate, explained, there are already multiple methods used by the country's anthropologists to retrieve DNA-based information from exhumed skeletons, proving that the Philippines can keep up with other countries, too.

But in the midst of these, knowledge is not the only thing gained from this educational tour; it is also the connections and new friendships built by the students from their coasters to their shared hotel rooms. It is their laughter at the pool area that even echoes in the hallways, their late-night conversations, and their shared meals that they were able to weave their comfort within each other's presence.



Source: Dr. Warren G. Mayao, 2023





"FROM DEAN TO JUDGE: EVALUATING EDUCATION INNOVATION AT REIMAGINE AWARDS"

JUSTIN JOSEPH T ALMARVEZ

In a testament to their commitment to innovation and excellence in education, Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen, Dean of the School of Criminal Justice, and Public Safety, has been selected to join the esteemed judging panel for the prestigious Reimagine Education Awards. This recognition not only highlights Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen's expertise and leadership within the academic community but also underscores the school's dedication to pushing the boundaries of traditional education and embracing cutting-edge approaches to learning.

The Reimagine Education Awards, renowned for their global impact and transformative vision, seek to celebrate and honor initiatives that reimagine the future of education. As a member of the judging panel, Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen will play a pivotal role in evaluating submissions from around the world and assessing their creativity, effectiveness, and potential to revolutionize teaching and learning.

With Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen's extensive experience in Criminal Justice Education, their insights and perspective will undoubtedly enrich the judging

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process, contributing to the identification of groundbreaking innovations that have the power to shape the future of education on a global scale. From innovative pedagogical methods to cutting-edge technological solutions, [Dean's Name] will help identify and recognize initiatives that demonstrate the highest standards of excellence and promise.

Reflecting on the honor of being selected as a judge for the Reimagine Education Awards, Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen expressed enthusiasm for the opportunity to engage with innovative ideas and visionary projects that have the potential to transform education as we know it. "I am truly honored to be part of the judging panel for the Reimagine Education Awards," Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen said. It is an honor and a responsibility. I am excited and will embrace this opportunity wholeheartedly and enjoy the experience of being part of a community that values innovation, creativity, and making a positive change in the world.

The participation of Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen in the Reimagine Education Awards not only elevates the profile of the school but also reinforces its commitment to fostering a culture of innovation, excellence, and forward-thinking in education. As Dr. Charesma Grace Lud-Ayen brings their expertise and passion to the judging panel, they exemplify the school's dedication to reimagining education and shaping a brighter future for learners everywhere.

"FROM DAWN TO DUSK: A JOURNEY THROUGH DAY AND NIGHT"

JUSTIN JOSEPH T ALMARVEZ

The School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety (SCJPS) recently hosted an electrifying event featuring an inspirational talk by JSINSP Bartolome Tresmanio. Tresmanio's captivating speech focused on the importance of dedication, perseverance, and service to the community, leaving students inspired and motivated to pursue their goals in the field of criminal justice and public safety.

Following Tresmanio's speech, the SCJPS witnessed the induction of new officers and the ceremonial turnover of responsibilities. This symbolic event marked a transition in leadership, with the newly appointed officers poised to steer the organization toward continued success and excellence.

In a ceremony filled with pride and admiration, SCJPS honored outstanding individuals with the prestigious Distinguished Patriots Award. These recipients were recognized for their exceptional contributions to the school and their unwavering commitment to upholding its values of integrity, professionalism, and service. In an ode to intellect and creativity, SCJPS unveiled a collection of literary masterpieces during a captivating book-launching activity. This event celebrated the talent and dedication of budding authors within the school community, showcasing their literary prowess and artistic expression.

MR. IRONMAN



CHAMPION: Kein Tingowan With unmatched determination and athleticism, Kein Tingowan emerged victorious as the Mr. Ironman 2023 champion, showcasing exceptional strength, agility, and endurance throughout the competition.

1st Runner Up: Davis Tambalong Davis Tambalong demonstrated remarkable skill and determination, earning the title of first runner-up with his impressive performance in a series of challenging fitness tests.

2nd Runner Up: Jordan Pais Jordan Pais exhibited outstanding athleticism and perseverance, securing the second runner-up position with his commendable efforts in various fitness challenges.

In addition to crowning the overall champion and runners-up, Mr. Ironman 2023 also presented special awards to participants who demonstrated exceptional qualities and achievements:

Mr. Fame: Jansan Montino

Mr. Flex: Davis Tambalong

Mr. Fit: Kein Tingowan

The School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety (SCJPS) at our university recently held an exhilarating Battle of the Bands event, showcasing the remarkable musical talent within our student body. The event, which aimed to promote unity, diversity, and student involvement, was met with enthusiastic participation and a lively atmosphere.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS



With objectives focused on increasing student engagement in university activities and fostering campus bonds, the Battle of the Bands provided an exciting platform for student musicians to shine. From rock to pop, jazz to metal, the performances spanned a diverse range of musical genres, catering to the varied tastes of the audience.



After a night filled with electrifying performances, the winners were announced:

Champion: ForenSIX

- Paul Russell Wayang
- Ivan Reece Martin
- Angelo Jas Junsay
- Juliana Celine Tolentino
- Kelvin Clarence
- Chire Pastorfide

1st Place: Pistols and Tulips

- Mark Louigie Dangtayan
- Bravey Sapling
- Greggson Hope Manalang
- Christian Dunn Watil
- Patricia Peckley

2nd Place: Cops and Robbers

- Anna Uy
- Nechel Jean
- Jhiezhl Torres Manlapaz
- Florene Ursua
- John Eric Patio
- Johnny Mayam-o Dalisdis
- Clive Rhee B Mencio

The event not only showcased musical talent but also served as a platform for fostering unity and community spirit among students, faculty, and staff. Through their captivating performances, the bands brought people together, creating unforgettable moments of shared enjoyment and camaraderie.

SCJPS GOT TALENT



The School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety (SCJPS) at our university recently hosted a spectacular SCJPS Got Talent event, showcasing the incredible diversity of talent among our student body. The event, which provided a platform for students to express themselves through various forms of artistic expression,

was a resounding success, highlighting the creativity and skill within our university community.

With objectives focused on providing an inclusive platform for students to showcase their talents, fostering confidence and self-expression, and celebrating diversity, SCJPS Got Talent exceeded expectations. From captivating singing performances to mesmerizing dance routines, hilarious comedy acts to thought-provoking spoken word poetry, the event featured an impressive array of talents that captivated the audience.

After a night filled with awe-inspiring performances, the winners were announced:

CHAMPION: Bardi Next Gen

- Tingowan Kein O.
- Marcelo, Michael I.
- Tinipac, Joseph Jansen M
- Lance xyruz Sarmiento M
- Jonmer Patrick P. Panergo

1st Place: Harold Antoine Bunag

2nd Place: Code X

- Gracelle Fernandez
- Ronald Taberdo
- Faith Matutino
- Aurora Joy Madayag
- Kharen Tayan
- Joannah Pesarillo
- Crizel Diaz
- Joneri Sibayan
- RB Dagarag

MR AND MS SCJPS



The School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety (SCJPS) at our university recently hosted its highly anticipated Mr. and Ms. SCJPS pageant, a celebration of talent, diversity, and unity within our student community. The event, which aimed to showcase the unique talents and backgrounds of university students, provided a platform for contestants to shine and fostered a sense of pride and belonging among participants and spectators alike.

With objectives focused on promoting inclusivity, enhancing public speaking and leadership skills, and celebrating the achievements of students, the pageant exceeded expectations, delivering an evening of glamour, talent, and camaraderie.

MR SCJPS



After a series of captivating performances and elegant displays, the winners of Mr. and Ms. SCJPS 2023 were announced:

Mr. SCJPS: Rhyl Guzman Taking the crown with his charisma and charm, Rhyl Guzman captivated the audience and judges alike, showcasing not only his poise but also his leadership qualities.

1st Runner-Up: Jess Ry Kilakil impressed with his stage presence and talent, securing the first runner-up position with his captivating performance.

2nd Runner-Up: Reginald Agredo's exemplary display of confidence and style earned him the title of second runner-up, showcasing his commitment to excellence.

Ms. SCJPS: Jenny Rose Palangdao In a fiercely competitive field, Jen Palangdao emerged victorious with her grace, talent, and elegance, captivating the audience with her charm.

1st Runner-Up: Genelle Caoile showcased her talent and charisma, securing the first runner-up position with her exceptional performance.

2nd Runner-Up: Honey Rose Bataclao's grace and poise earned her the title of second runner-up, highlighting her dedication and commitment to the pageant.

In addition to crowning the Mr. and Ms. SCJPS, special awards were presented to deserving contestants:

Best in Talent: Jess Ry Kilakil and Andrea Begnaen

Best Sport Attire: Khean Justin Montino and Jenny Rose Palangdao

Best Ethnic Wear: Khean Justin Montino and Jenny Rose Palangdao

Best Formal Wear: Khean Justin Montino and Genelle Khate Caoile

Best Production Number: Jess Ry Kilakil and Genelle Khate Caoile

Mr. and Ms. Congeniality: Khean Justin Montino and Daizlyhne Carbonel

Darling of the Crowd: Wilhelm Brighton Wallang and Jenny Rose Palangdao

People's Choice Award: Renante Lambino and Andrea Begnaen

Winsome Smile: Angel Rhom Ordillo and Shamma Carillo

King and Queen of the Ramp: Khean Justin Montino and Genelle Khate Caoile

Mr. and Ms. Photogenic: Rhyl Harlan Guzman and Daizlyhne Carbonel

MS SCJPS



The event not only provided a platform for students to showcase their talents but also fostered a sense of community and belonging within the SCJPS family. Through their performances, participants inspired and entertained their peers, leaving a lasting impression on everyone in attendance.



UNIVERSITY OF BAGUIO HONOR GUARDS

KHENAN JADE PABALAN

“What you see, what you hear, what you smell, what you taste, what you touch, when you leave, leave it here” - Golden Rule

The Honor Guards also known as COLORS, uphold the tradition of professionalism, integrity, loyalty, discipline, and respect.

These individuals often wear distinctive uniforms and serve as the “guardians of the colors” with the responsibility of presenting the national flag during the different processions and a variety of ceremonies and special events that require a dignified and respectful presence.



Being part of the honor guard is both an honor and a responsibility, it requires the members to maintain a high level of discipline and instills qualities such as leadership, teamwork, and professionalism in their duties. Their role embodies the values and principles upheld by the school. The Color Guards Organization is composed of students of the SCJPS

department who undergo the hardship of physical fitness exercise, military drills, proper command, and training. This enhances personal development and contributes to a positive image that exemplifies the values of the educational institution.



PRAECLARUS SOCIETY: “ELEVATING INTELLECTUAL AND MORAL EXCELLENCE”

YASMIEN CAYABYAB

“Elevating Intellectual and Moral Excellence”

This is the quotation that upholds the goal of Praeclarus Society, as it is aligned with the vision of our university.



Praeclarus Society is an academic organization that consists of stellar students from Criminology and Forensic Science with the aim of constant academic excellence, not just within the organization but throughout the School of Criminal Justice System.

As one of the academic organizations at the University of Baguio, the main objective of Praeclarus Society is to provide academic aid for numerous students who find it difficult to catch up with their lessons. This organization introduced the “Auxilio Aliis Project,” wherein the officers, together with all organization members, synthesized their different lessons per subject within their year level.

“Auxilio Aliis” is a Latin word that would be translated in English as “helping others.” This is one of the academic organization’s main projects that aims to lessen the educational burden by providing simplified reviewers that summarize the overall topic of the subject course.

The officers are continuously collaborating with their members as they are consistently trying to engage with various social media platforms in order to broaden their scope for further preparation of future academic activities that could help their co-students for the next academic school year.



UB RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS: BLEND OF DISCIPLINE AND SERVICE

CLAIRE ROQUE



In the corridors of the University of Baguio, a unique breed of student leaders emerges from the rank of Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC). These individuals poised at the intersection of academic excellence and military training, embody a distinctive

blend of discipline, determination, and service. Their journey as a cadet officer is not just a personal pursuit but a testament to the values of leadership, teamwork, and sacrifice.

The University of Baguio ROTC unit is recognized as an incubator of leadership. At the heart of this unit lies a commitment to developing the next generation of leaders, instilling in cadets a sense of duty, honor, and integrity. Through the unit's rigorous training and hands-on experience, the UBROTC cadets emerge as well-rounded individuals equipped to excel in both military and civilian spheres.

Balancing the rigors of training with the demands of college life requires unwavering dedication and time management skills. Yet, it is precisely this crucible of experiences that forges the resilience and adaptability that is synonymous with effective leadership. For the UBROTC student leaders, each day presents a unique set of challenges and opportunities. From physical training to academic coursework, their schedules are demanding yet rewarding.

Beyond the confines of campus, the UBROTC unit plays a vital role in their communities. Through outreach initiatives and volunteer efforts, they demonstrate their commitment to making a difference in the lives of others. Whether volunteering on blood drives or participating in disaster relief efforts they exemplify the ethos of selfless service ingrained in the military culture that they adopt.

The UBROTCU is more than just an organization. As it embodies the core values of the ROTC, and it instills a culture of professionalism, accountability, camaraderie, and commitment to excellence.

In a world marked by uncertainty and complexity, the need for effective leaders has never been greater.



Within the UBROTC unit, a generation of such leaders is cultivated, honed, and prepared to confront the challenges of tomorrow. As they stand on the threshold of their academic and ROTC career, these leaders serve as beacons of hope, embodying the timeless virtues of competence, service, and integrity.

JUNIOR POLICE CLUB

HAROLD ANTOINE BUNAG

“Fostering Safety and Camaraderie Among Young Minds”

The Junior Police Club is back this year with face-to-face classes. They've restarted accepting members, rebuilt their structures, and now have over a hundred members, ten officers, an adviser, and some of the older members who helped with reaccreditation. What do they do?

The Junior Police Club is a club composed of both Criminology and Forensic Science students. The club serves as a bridge to the gap between law enforcement agencies and the community they serve. Through interactive sessions, workshops, and activities, members gain insights into the daily responsibilities of police officers, fostering knowledge and mutual understanding of what lies ahead in their future careers.

Activities include participating in Earthquake drills as a means to help in crowd control, participating in Physical Training and Physical Fitness tests, Tree Planting activities, Helping in Outreach activities, coordinating with other organizations for manpower in many types of activities, and many more. One of the primary goals is to teach a proactive approach to engaging the members in understanding law enforcement, safety protocols, and the significance of community involvement. By





integrating educational activities, mentorship, and hands-on experiences, the club strives to instill values of leadership, integrity, and respect for authority from an early age.

Moreover, its vision is to promote safety awareness and crime prevention strategies. For members to learn about personal safety, cyber safety, and even emergency preparedness, empowering them to make informed decisions and contribute positively to the school and community. But beyond safety education, the Junior Police Club encourages active citizenship and community engagement. Through volunteering opportunities, outreach projects, and participation in local events, the members develop a sense of belonging and civic responsibility, laying the groundwork for future community leaders.

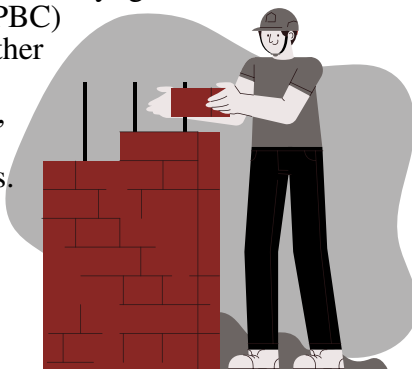


The Junior Police Club not only contained what we can contribute to the School of Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Rather, it is in progress to contribute to the community and beyond.

YOUTH FOR PEACE BAGUIO CHAPTER: LODESTAR OF PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT

HAYDEE LANGGAWIT

The gloomy sky might have forgotten to enclose the world with its color for the glints of the stars were as lustrous as the glass beneath the daylight. The Youth for Peace Baguio Chapter (YFPBC) organization was born together with the complexion of the feat on November 20, 2021, under the umbrella of the Youth for Peace Philippines. The budding organization is embodied by the various student leaders from the Sangguniang Kabataan, University Organizations,



Kabataan Kontra Droga at Terorrismo, and other youth groups in the City of Baguio.

They have established their leadership from within having the burning heart to fight for their advocacies for the common good. These advocacies include servant-leadership, peace and development, climate literacy, disaster risk reduction, and management as well as youth empowerment fostering skills and capacity-building training, programs, and activities that bring forth the goal of establishing a haven and progressive community for the present generation and the generations that are yet to come. It also portends augmented participation to lose the key of individualism among youth and attain the imperative role in nation-building. The Youth for Peace Baguio Chapter Organization has also deemed to rewrite the story of volunteerism in a world full of coercion to enliven the partaking in fulfilling the vital functions of the Government and other youth organizations. The said organization will stand as the circuit in lighting the opaque conclusions of war of any kind. Rather, having to plan activities and implement common goals in achieving nationalism and peace in alignment with the laws of the State.



UNITED: Youth Leadership Summit Batch 02-2021 Graduates of Baguio City now Youth For Peace Baguio Chapter

Every star does shine but some shine brighter than others. It is not about how old or new a thing is but the victory is always dependent on how committed an outlet is. The YFPBC Organization is currently on the line of achieving its advocacies as they contour the color of the youth society. Burning the fire of faith and commitment while enlivening the Peace we Live. Peace we Love. Peace we Advocate.

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TAKE ME BACK

FELINA THECIA CALLANO

The skies are turning dark,
Neighbors' dogs are starting to bark.
Some children are getting fetched,
While I still sit on a nearby bench.

Then laughs and innocent voices,
Transformed into cricket noises.
Bottle caps, ropes and an empty shell
Took rest as the dusk fell

Although not that tired and weak,
And as I stole a glance from the moon,
I fell asleep awake,
I daydreamed as if it was afternoon.

I heard his cackle,
His sweet, childish laugh from a tickle.
An unproblematic voice,
An unbothered noise.

He took the slide and slide,
He cried, what a poor little child.
He rode the bike and tipped,
Cried again and then leaped.



He ran as fast,
And then missed the grasp,
He fell on the ground,
And bled from his fresh wound.

As his cry slowly faints,
He wished upon a saint,
"Let me grow, let me grow."
Followed by a soft echo.

Now that I've grown,
Let that wish be thrown.
I'd rather bleed in agony,
Than suffer woundless pain in
perpetuity.

The night gone pitch black,
It wasn't raining but a droplet fell
on my slack,
Only to realize, it was my tears
pouring out,
Then, a "take me back" came out
of my mouth.

I stood up and walked back to my
home.
Stressing on all the tasks I have
left.





SEPTEMBER'S PHANTOM

BRYIENNE FAYE MANUEL

The gods had supposed that our hearts are made of metaphors, our vessels
crafted mimicking the flames of fire; they
told us that our body becomes aware when our breaths come in shallow
and become one with the earth's constellations.



But they haven't taught us of similes, have they?
How we were like the gradual winds of January
Wishing for the rays of summer when it's raining
And aching for ironies
Like how I miss your arms
when I was the one who first let go.

As the temperature lowers each passing day,
I realized my body doesn't truly know comfort
it only knows the yearning of what it feels like
to be able to lie within your warmth again.

THE WINDOW

EUNICE AÑADA

My mother told me to watch the door.
When a window closes, there would be more
Exits I can take to chase the dream—
In which a life of eerie nothingness could be redeemed.
But in a house of thin cement and plywood
with an impending doom, it stood
Frailly—bound to be torn down with every gush
Of wind. It could not so little take a hush.
There is no window; there is no hope.
There is only enough room to cry and mope
About irreversible privation and passivity
Where no man would ever hope to be.
After years, I sat still and watched the door—a mere
hole
In our new patchwork abode against a pole.
It is, too, the window all in one.
Although forever open, my passion is long gone.
Stricken in accumulated realizations as I laid in paper
bed
That the window is futile without a nickel to buy bread.





THE EIGHT-YEAR SOLSTICE

BRYIENNE FAYE MANUEL

As I stared at the sun as it slowly hid its light behind the mounds of the mountains and the cold breeze of dusk crept into my sweater, it reminded me of how people are the same, but they come as seasons. They are the bright slivers of light that silhouetted the curtain blinds of my room's window, reminding me that we would grow the soil with memories, dancing like the daisies in the fields. But like daylights, people were also drifting. Days where they were only short-lived, and I had no choice but to quicken my pace with the cold, hoping to find their traces, only to later find myself alone and staring at the drying leaves of a new season.

You once told me that my love for autumn will endlessly be incomprehensible because, to you, it reminds you of lonely people. You told me that autumnal days are the clouds pressed together, expressing themselves through changing weather and the pitter-patter of drops on the window panes. I could not say the same because now, you are already a reminder of autumn to me. Not because I love it, but because the leaves were stale when I no longer saw a trace of you, nor was I able to hear the echo of your footsteps as you walked away.

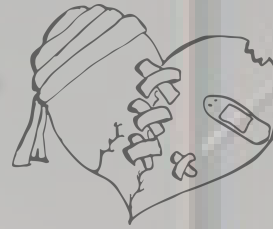
I told you that it is not me to turn my heart fiery against you, but perhaps, like you, the years made me a liar, too. We both foolishly fell for the philosophy of men: time would not stir our mortal frame. Indeed, time does not stop for anyone, but does anyone know when the seconds started running? Perhaps only the stars can really tell. All I know is that ours already ended, and we were too oblivious to think that our life together was infinitely guaranteed.

It's strange, come to think of it, how your absence left me a space to move forward, to never stay at one point. Because, like seasons, people can be most beautiful in passing. The seasons without you have their beauties, too: the winter with its white nights of comfortable silence, the summer still filled with the chemistry of colors, painting the days bright yellow and the ocean in hues of blue. Perhaps today, what is only left of us are the traces of inferno. The embers, like the color of dawn, that are slowly eating away our shriveled memories.



SHE WAS YOUNG.

FELINA THECIA CALLANO



She was young when she watched them screaming themselves hoarse, arguing over and over, as though they didn't get tired at all. She was young when she knew that the things flying between her mother and father were aimed to hurt each other. Through her young little eyes, she watched how her mother turned her back against her father. She watched how her mother's eyes gushed water endlessly all through the night. She watched her father's eyes as they got filled with clouds of pain and guilt. She heard her father's voice crack with her young, innocent ears as he confessed his infidelity. She listened to the story of how he let himself fall to the temptations of lust and lies. She was young when she thought, "Is my mum not good enough?". She was young when she saw her father fall on his knees, crying, begging for her mother to forgive him, promising never to do it again. She was young when she learned how promises could be very easily broken. She was still learning how to write her name properly when she heard a sound of surprise -- then a sob. Her mother sat on the ground, holding her father's phone, her chest rising and falling in sync with her cries. She was young when she foolishly thought how completely normal it was for a father to be a father to another family. She did not yet know how to multiply when she saw her mom cry for the nth time, all for the same reason, and it was a sight she hoped she'd never see ever again. The young girl's heart bled for her mother; how much pain did her father cause for her family to be this mad. She was young when she knew something was wrong with her family. She was still learning how to write in cursive when she realized she would never get to see her father again. Now the girl is 21, and she came to realize – the family she was taught to love the most, broke her heart before she can even learn how to love.



ACHILLES 13

EUNICE AÑADA

Stars lit the sky like snowflakes in the night yet appeared still, like an old photograph. Catherine smiled, feeling the wind blow her hair into a tousled mane.

"Somewhere around Orion's belt," she murmured, pointing at the constellations as she laid down on the grass with her long-time lover.

The young man smiled, adjusting her hand towards the V762 Cas. "Think farther, Catherine." 21-year-old Blake Watson set to achieve his life's dream on the break of dawn—unexpectedly a decade before he intended. He would become the youngest pilot of the century and the first to travel faster than the speed of light via the Achilles 13—mankind's first-ever warp engine that would achieve faster-than-light travel.

Delirious with excitement, he spent his last night stargazing with his fiancée, betting on the light-years he would soon span. It was two in the morning when they decided to drive home. Blake knew it would be impossible to sleep.

"You're ready, huh?" Catherine vividly asked, biting her lips as she clung to her loved ones.

He was ready, ready to be written into a glorious page of history. Stepping foot on the spacecraft, Blake farewelled Catherine. The spacesuit tailored specially for him sat on the backseat, glowing in anticipation. Seatbelt fastened; he could feel his heart pounding against his chest so heavily that it made him dizzy. Perhaps it was the vividness of his previous vision coming to life that sent shivers down his spine or the beauty of the intricate control system before him. The employees at the center briefed him about the launch. Comms were convenient through the latest quantum technology—a gift of the twenty-fifth century, the golden age of technology.

How would it feel to be one with the galaxies?

"Commander, do you copy?"

It seemed that Blake did not hear the final instructions for the first time. His mind was lost backtracking the path that brought him there—in that very place, waiting to get catapulted into the stars. Having no religion, he liked to believe his deceased loved ones resided physically beyond Earth, even when his rationality fought that they were completely gone.

"Copy that," he spoke with the brightest beam. "Ready for FTL burn...."



Three...two...one. Blast off! Light flashed before him as space-time collapsed into a singularity after him. Flushed by ecstasy, Blake closed his eyes for a millisecond, unwitting that he would have spanned millions of light-years once he opened them. In a blink, Blake traveled faster than he could see or feel. He pinched himself to confirm reality because, for a split of a second, the entire process mimicked dreams—the slumber, the awakening, and all things too good to be true. If he could only jump up and down with joy, he would. Nevertheless, reality would not always be delightful—it always had to be bittersweet.

Just as he indulged in his bubble, a computer alarm ripped him back to reality.

"Warning! Hull breach..." The spacecraft sorely rumbled as it got plucked out of hyperspace, floated in the void, and shattered into pieces.

In front of the spacecraft was a large halo circling a mass that resembled the Earth, if not for the unidentified metal and glimmering circuits covering the surface. Blue creatures sparkled throughout the colossal metallic network, like ethereal spirits, collectors of souls.

"Control center, do you copy?" Blake cried in bewilderment. Achilles 13's framework groaned under the mystifying attraction of the metal-Earth. Nothing else answered his calls in the deathly silence.

Something flashed beside him—ghost-like figures with no shape or form, hovering in the freezing void as it emitted a faint blue glow, like phantoms in the gale.

"Youngest spacecraft pilot and youngest extraterrestrial abductee." Blake wept mockingly, accepted his reality. Tears clouded his helmet as he held tight to a photo of Catherine, who smiled warmly up at him through the aging film—warmer than the Sun, that now who knows how far away.

The phantoms closed in, one on each side, with their delicate metallic features glowing pale blue. As they started to disintegrate Blake's flesh into atoms, a blinding beam of ray cast on him clarified that it was his last day as a free man. The man faded away, but his regrets of becoming too ambitious resounded in his mind. After all, Achilles 13 was an experimental project, and he was the lone volunteer.

"I'm sorry," he whispered before closing his eyes. "But I will come...."

Ring...Ring...Ring. Millions of light-years away, Catherine's trembling hand picked up the phone. She and the Watson family had heard GSA's announcement of the mission's failure this morning, and she knew this call would be all apologies for their loss.

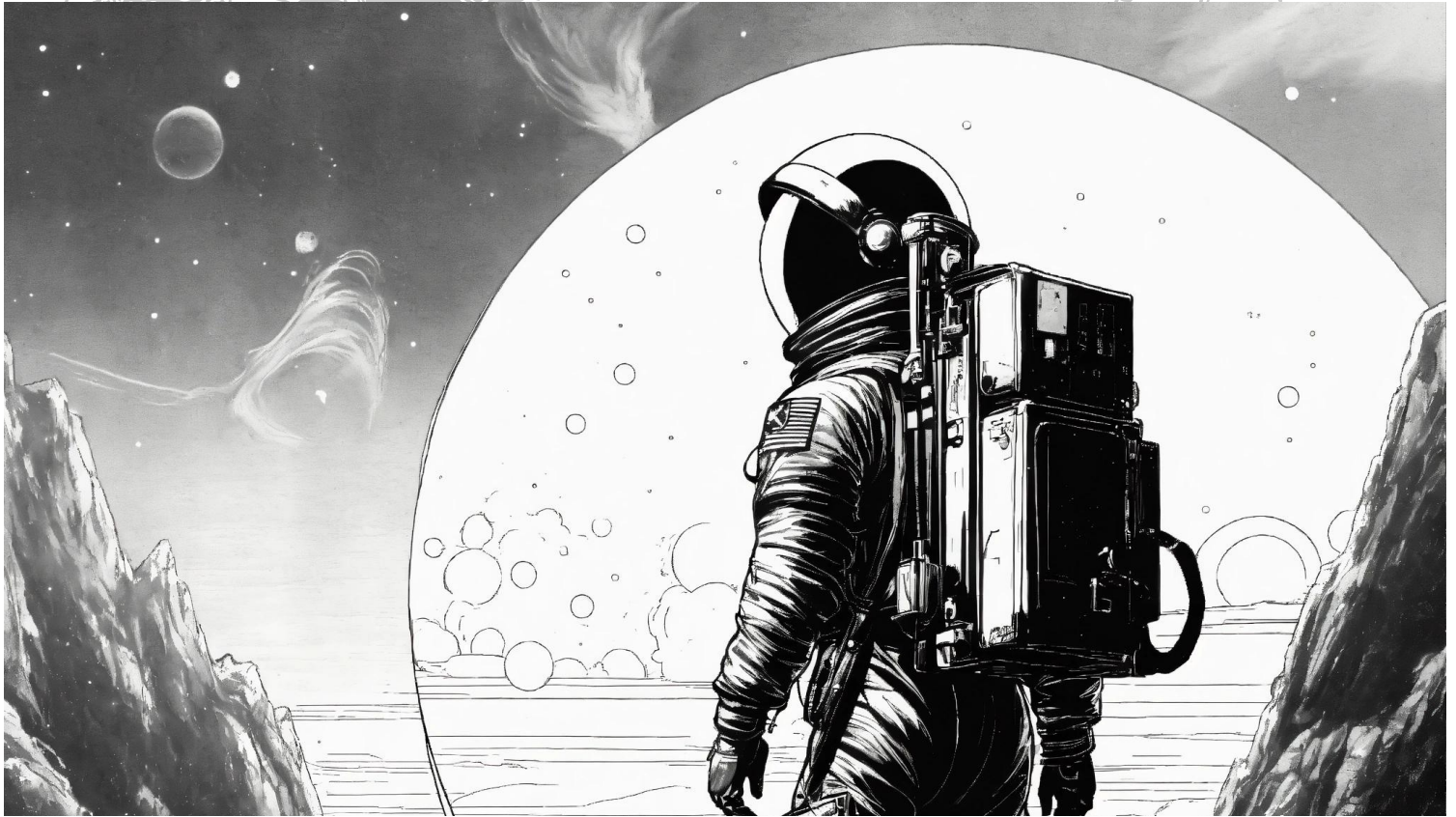
"This is the Global Space Administration..."



That sealed the deal. It now felt real that she would be without a groom next month. With her heart shattered to a million pieces, Catherine ran outside to curse at the stars—blaming whichever distant galaxy her finger could point. Yet the constellations, who had witnessed centuries and millenniums, watched over this tiny moment with emotionless silence.

Suddenly, a glittering blue object faded in. Sparkles started to quietly appear behind her till more flickers of light painted a holographic image of the man she loved the most. In shock, Catherine stepped back, tripping on a stone. She prepared herself for the fall, but it did not come. Blake held her firmly by the waist.

There he stood, in his perfect suit and warmest touch. He was home.



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SCJPS SLAM-DUNKS THEIR WAY TO VICTORY: THE UNSTOPPABLE KINGS AND QUEENS OF THE COURT

VINZON D. KIONG



Despite a first game setback, the valiant SCJPS Patriots men's basketball team recovered from the claws of defeat to dethrone SEA in their do-or-die game and to outclass them on a nerve-wracking best of three series, 2-1, to reign supreme as the men's basketball kings in the UB Intramurals 1st Phase men's basketball tournament last year.

The Patriots easily made their way towards the finals after a flawless record of 4-0 in the early round after dispatching SNS, 59-47, SBAA, 94-81, SIHTM, 80-78, and Graduate School 96-69. The seemingly unstoppable Patriots win streak continued until the semi-finals as they knocked out STELA, 95-77

The much anticipated finals showdown began with SEA edging out the Patriots, in a close 65-63 victory to secure game one of the series and a step closer to the championship title.

However, the Patriots came back with a vengeance in game 2 against SEA racking up a convincing 13 point difference, 81-68, to not only deny a sweep and the championship title, but to tie the series 1-1 and force a deciding game 3.

Intensity filled the atmosphere in the deciding game as both teams eagerly showed skill and strategy on the court. The gymnasium erupted with deafening cheers



throughout the game as the Patriots showed impressive ball handling and scoring in and beyond the arc. It all went down the wire in the crucial fourth quarter as the Patriots only held a one possession lead. Despite SEA's courageous last ditch efforts, the Patriots maintained a solid defense in the dying seconds of the game to put the final nail in the coffin and eventually capture the coveted basketball crown, 61-58.



Additionally, Quitolbo, a 1st year BSCRIM and sensational rookie was scouted and recognized for his impressive performance throughout the tournament and was offered to play for varsity for the university. Joining him in the limelight is Julius Tiangao, a fellow 1st year BSCRIM and a deadly shooter who fires accurate shots from beyond the perimeter.



The SCJPS women's basketball team's journey to victory was nothing short of spectacular.

Their remarkable feat of dethroning the last basketball champions, SOD, stands as a testament to their exceptional skill and unwavering determination. Led by the outstanding Lyzel Alinas, whose talent earned her an invitation to join the University of Baguio's basketball team, the SCJPS squad displayed a level of prowess that captured the admiration of fans and opponents alike.

The women's basketball team embarked on an incredible journey, showcasing their dominance on the court with impressive victories against formidable opponents. From their resounding triumphs over STELLA, 90-16, SIHTM, 80-26, SON, 88-29, and SOL, 68-16 to their intense matchup against SEA

In the climactic final game against SEA, the atmosphere crackled with anticipation as both teams vied for supremacy. The first game saw SCJPS dominating with an impressive 86-29 victory, setting the stage for a fiercely contested rematch. Despite SEA's early lead in the second match, SCJPS demonstrated their resilience and tactical prowess, ultimately securing a resounding 70-48 win to clinch the championship.

Amidst the electrifying energy reverberating throughout

the arena, the passionate support from the crowd elevated the intensity of the contest to unprecedented heights. The collective fervour of SCJPS and SEA supporters filled the air, creating an unforgettable backdrop for the thrilling display of basketball prowess. In the end, SCJPS emerged triumphant.

The Women's Basketball Team is represented by Nica Rebolledo, Michelle Addagan, Kyle Jaize Suguitan, Rose-marie Guidangen, Zyrene Basawil, Mhica Aquino, Kimberly Ngales, Lyzle Alinas, Friar Dale Sena, Jelisa Valdez, Pia Angelique Espiritu, and Lian Inza-cruz. Coached by Glena G. Alos together with the Assistant Coaches Priscila Joy S. Terpakem, Ranelle Torupa and Sharmaine C. Gawongna

EFFORT AND TENACITY PREVAIL: SCJPS TABLE TENNIS TEAM BATTLES WITH GRIT AND DETERMINATION!

ELOISE ANGELA V. DUMAPIS AND VINZON D. KIONG

Despite their fierce and valiant efforts, the SCJPS Men and Women Table Tennis team were unsuccessful in securing a podium finish in the UB Intramurals 1st phase Table Tennis tournament last November 13-14 last year at the UB Gymnasium.

The team consists of two single representatives and a doubles team, each contributing their expertise to secure victories for their side.



In the men's singles category, Ivan Reece Martin and Faisal Bocaoranao showed impressive plays in their early matches but it was not enough to edge out their opponents from SOD and SON, resulting in two losses. Undiscouraged, the two however bounced back in their third matches after outmanoeuvring the representatives from SOL. In their final match, Faisal managed to squeeze out another win in a close match against STELA, 2-1, to improve their standing to two wins and two losses apiece.

Meanwhile in the men's double category, Ronnel Clacio, Reagan Diwan, Daryl Aguid, and Adrian Joshua Basinga also displayed ingenious plays despite failing to top their bracket. The Basinga and Aguid duo played strongly in their first match but could not secure a win against SOD. Clacio and Diwan also came up short in the second match despite their fierce efforts to secure the win against SON. In their final match, Aguid and Diwan fought relentlessly against STELA to carve out their first victory. SCJPS also bagged an effortless victory due to default. This improved their standing to two wins and two losses in their bracket.

On the other hand, the SCJPS women's table tennis team were represented by Trixy Kimberly Colorado and Jessica Jacoba for the singles category while Joana Grace Vicmudo, Jethrein Sabadi, Loraine Bassit, and Hannah Nepomuceno handled the doubles category.





SHUTTLE SMACKDOWN: THE THRILLING SAGA OF SCJPS MEN AND WOMEN BADMINTON

ELOISE ANGELA V. DUMAPIS

The SCJPS men and women badminton team fell short in their campaign towards a medal finish in the UB Intramurals 1st phase Badminton tournament at UB Gymnasium last year November 13-14 last year. The atmosphere was charged with excitement as the games started and the different departments showcased their skills already from the warm up and strategies on the court. The Badminton Game was coached by Ms. Marie Joy Capdos.



The Men's team consisted of Russel Calub, Kyle Ivan Mon, Ian Dumalleg, Mark Valdez, James Alicante, and Dane Ranier Pillos. The scoring system added an extra layer of suspense to the games. Each match was a best-of-two, and in the event of a tie in the single games, a final doubles match would determine the winner. Ian Dumalleg and Mark Valdez represented the singles category, while Russel Calub and Kyle Mon, along with James Alicante and Dane Ranier Pillos, formed the doubles teams.

MEN'S DIVISION



The second game saw a repeat of the singles representatives, with Ian Dumalleg and Mark Valdez once again taking the court. Despite a loss in the first match, Mark Valdez rallied to keep the hope alive for SCJPS.

In a thrilling tiebreaker, Alicante's strategic play supported Calub, as they executed a planned tactic to secure the win in the second game. However, despite the valiant efforts of Pillos and Calub in the doubles match, the opposing team emerged victorious.



In the first game of Match 1 between SCJPS and SNS, Dumalleg's valiant effort was not enough to secure a win, resulting in SNS taking the lead. However, Valdez, drawing from his badminton background, delivered a stellar performance in the second match, bringing SCJPS and SNS to a tie. The doubles match saw Mon and Calub facing tough opposition, ultimately leading to SNS claiming victory in the first game.

WOMEN'S DIVISION

The SCJPS Women's Badminton team, comprising Adrienne Milei Del Rosario and Florene Naomi Ursua for singles, and Joy Valerie Foy-awo, Hazel Mae Maday-a, Racquel Guma, and Keziah Jane Paganas.

for doubles, embarked on a journey filled with exhilarating highs and challenging lows. In their initial matchup against SBAA, Del Rosario secured a crucial victory in the singles category, propelling the team to an early lead.



Despite Ursua’s loss in her singles match, the doubles team's tenacity prevailed, securing a thrilling tie-breaking win. Facing SOL in their second game, Del Rosario and Ursua displayed remarkable skill and determination, clinching victories in their respective singles matches.

However, the subsequent matches proved to be a formidable challenge, resulting in losses for the team. Undeterred, the team approached their third game against STELA with unwavering resolve. Their efforts bore fruit as they secured a crucial win in the second singles match, showcasing their unwavering competitive spirit.



In their fourth game against SOD, the team once again demonstrated their resilience, emerging victorious in the second singles match. However, despite their valiant efforts in the tie-breaking doubles match, they were unable to secure the win.

As the tournament concluded, it was evident that the players had given their all, leaving a lasting impression with their remarkable performances. The event served as a reminder of the enduring appeal of badminton as a sport that demands precision, agility, and strategic thinking, and the SCJPS Men and Women Badminton team's participation stood as a testament to their dedication and passion for the game.

EPIC BATTLES AND DIGITAL GLORY: SCJPS' QUEST IN THE MOBILE LEGENDS ARENA

ELOISE ANGELA V. DUMAPIS

Step into the world of E-sports as we recount the thrilling saga of the SCJPS team composed of six students which are Marlon Bacit, Wilbert Frias, Jonathan Banos, Zenlie Sucliyao, Ramil Sibayan, and Daniel Onal, in the Mobile Legends tournament at the UB Intramurals 1st phase, which unfolded on November 18, 2023, at the Anacleto St. Computer Laboratory C102/D202.

The atmosphere was charged with excitement when every representative of each school was there all together, especially our SCJPS players that had eagerly prepared for the battles that lay ahead.





One of the opening match saw SCJPS take on SIHTM, marking the beginning of an exhilarating adventure in the virtual realm. Despite a setback in their first game, the team's spirits remained high as they geared up against SON, ultimately emerging victorious and igniting the flames of determination. As the competition unfolded, the team faced formidable adversaries, including SIT, SNS, and SEA.



Their encounters with these skilled opponents revealed the true mettle of the SCJPS players, showcasing their unwavering resolve and passion for the game. Despite facing setbacks, the team's indomitable spirit propelled them to triumph against SOD, SOL, STELA, and SBAA, leaving a trail of digital conquests in their wake.



While their valiant efforts may not have propelled them to the final match, the SCJPS team's unwavering determination and remarkable victories have solidified their status as revered contenders in the world of E-sports. Their journey in the Mobile Legends arena serves as a testament to the exhilarating thrills and camaraderie found within the digital battlegrounds of E-games.

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