

A Teacher's Calling

Accountancy, much more to receive kind words from him. I am very much flattered and humbled by Dr. Rufo's gestures."

WHAT'S NEXT

As of now, Rainiel is still undecided whether to pursue a doctoral degree in accountancy or to pursue law. However, he is already set in his chosen career path.

"I realized that this is what

I really want to do in life. I find purpose in sharing my knowledge and experiences to the next generation of professionals. So, I decided to resign from my corporate job and teach full-time," he said.

Furthermore, his message for aspiring accountants reflects how he truly fell in love with teaching in this field:

"Accountancy is not an easy

course. It will cost you sleepless nights and stress, among others. Try as much to not let these get into you. Rise above the adversities because being a CPA is one of the most prestigious and rewarding professions. It will not be an easy journey, but it is the 'hard' that makes it great."

[Jodie Andrea G. Pangilinan]

TSU hurdles IMS surveillance audit 2020

After four consecutive days of virtually meeting through Microsoft Teams, Tarlac State University has passed the surveillance audit for its compliance to the three standards of its Integrated Management System on September 18, 2020.

Throughout the audit, Mr. Shahid Ali Mushtaq, certifying body auditor, ensured the TSU community that the findings of the audit are all geared for the improvement of university services to meet ISO standards.

Among the good points cited by Mr. Mushtaq is the involvement of the TSU administration and its

strong leadership in the effectiveness of the management system and its use of scorecards to monitor the accomplishment of plans – all of which are reflective of a strong Quality Management System (QMS).

Mr. Mushtaq also commended the dedication shown by offices and units in meeting the standards.

Initial nonconformities were identified during the closing meeting which will be addressed by the university through corrective actions according to Dr. Niño B. Corpuz, Vice President for Planning

and Quality Assurance.

In a message of commitment and gratitude, TSU president Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari thanked Mr. Mushtaq for his help in the IMS endeavors of the university for three years.

"We appreciate your wisdom and guidance in attaining this certification," President Mallari said.

TSU targeted to migrate its OHSAS 18001:2007 and apply for a re-certification this year but were rescheduled due to implementation of quarantine in Luzon. [Jazzel Llanelli M. Manabat]

TSU kicks off CHED webinars for flexible learning

Tarlac State University gave a head start to the newly launched R3HiEd Bayanihan of the Commission on Higher Education Regional Office III (CHEDRO3) which seeks to provide free webinars and online trainings on flexible learning for higher education institutions (HEIs) in Central Luzon.

The first set of webinars hosted by TSU featured the topics "Public Health Emergency in the Philippines: Updates and Status" and "Higher Education Learning in the midst of Pandemic vis-a-vis Flexible Learning Program and its Challenges".

Said topics were discussed by

TSU Medical Officer Dr. Rommel Hernandez and TSU President Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari, respectively, on September 1, 2020.

Meanwhile, the first part of the September 3 'Jes of Educators on Flexible Learning Program: A Systemic View'.

Dr. Niño B. Corpuz, Vice President for Planning and Quality Assurance, talked about "Psychosocial Support or Educators' Coping Strategies and Well-being" for the second part of the September 3 webinar.

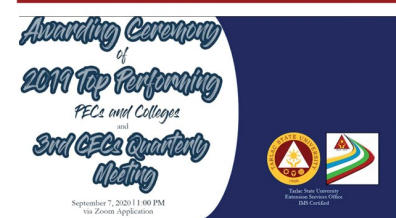
Webinars and online trainings for faculty members of the different

Region III HEIs will be held from September 2020 onwards according to Dr. Maria Teresita M. Semana, CHEDRO3 OIC Director.

Such initiative seeks to assist other HEIs in adapting to the new normal scheme and digital transformation in education delivery.

The R3HiEd Bayanihan is one of the top priority projects on Instructions as identified in the Regional Higher Education Action Plan (RHEAP). TSU has led the thematic area for Instructions headed by Pres. Mallari and Vice President Lacanlale. [Maria Adelaida D. Calayag]

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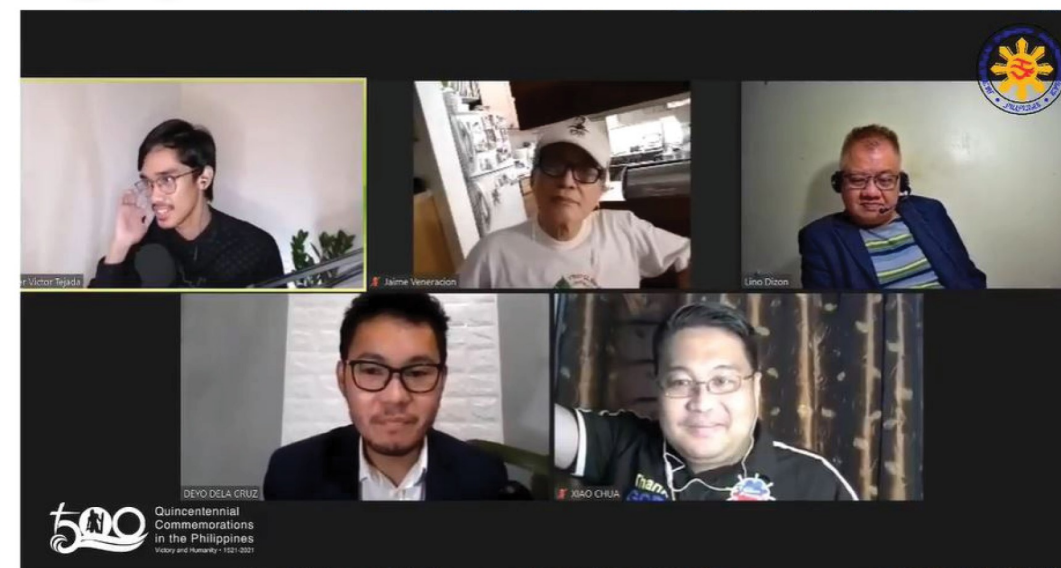
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In preparation for the sesquicentennial or 150th birth anniversary of General Francisco Macabulos, Tarlac State University's Center for Tarlaqueño Studies launched a lecture-webinar on September 16 in collaboration with the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, National Quincentennial Committee, National Commission for Culture and the Arts, and Local Government of La Paz.

The three-hour afternoon lecture-webinar entitled "*Macabulos Bienvenido! Bayan, Kalayaan*" was graced by Dr. Lino Dizon, Tarlaqueño Studies head, as resource speaker along with Prof. Jaime Veneracion and public historian Xiao Chua.

Dr. Dizon, a newly appointed NHCP commissioner, stated in a previous interview with the Office of Public Affairs that he would like to raise public consciousness about the rich history of the province of Tarlac and, as such, will exert effort in preparing a celebration for the sesquicentennial of the local

hero.

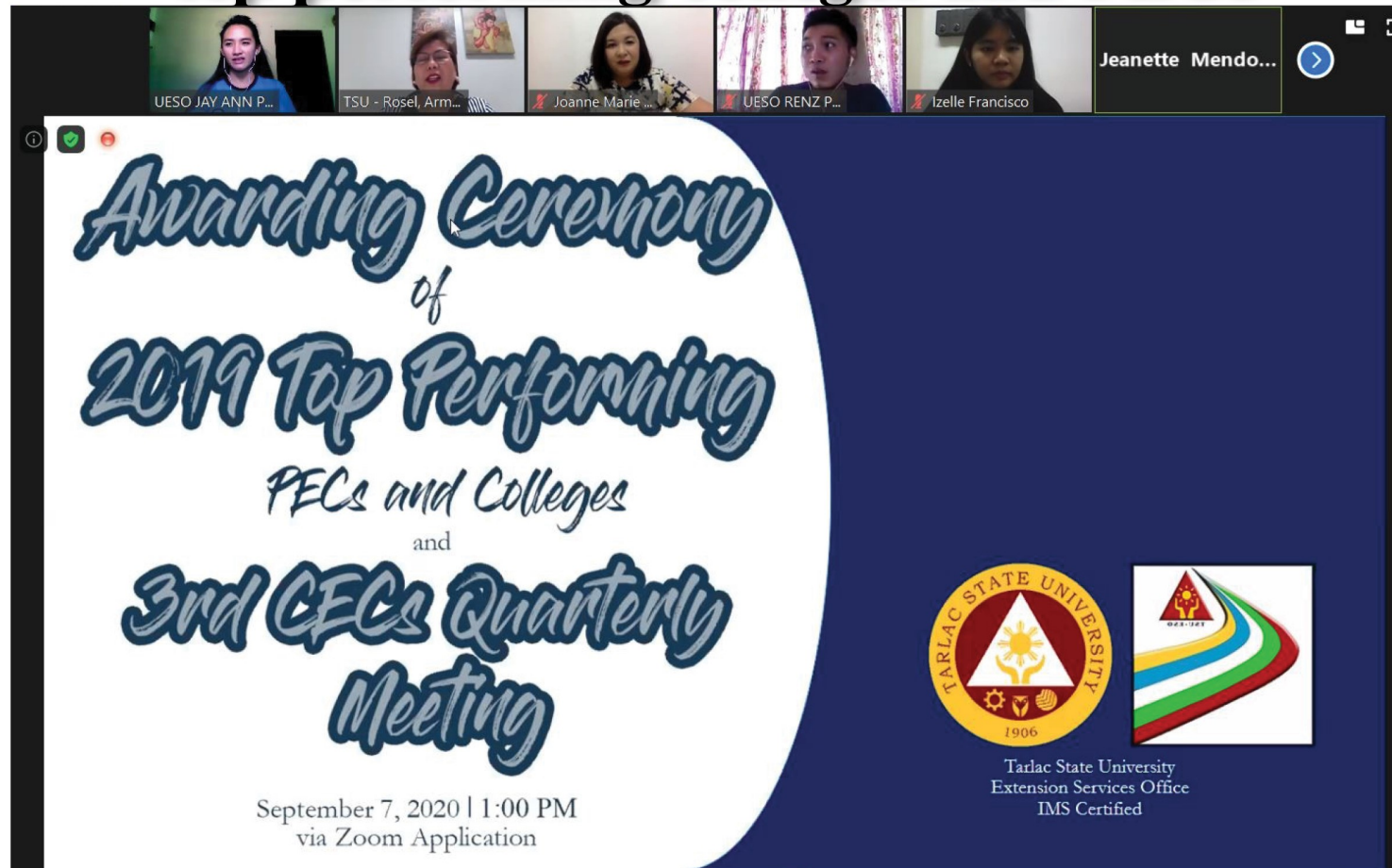
Macabulos' efforts led to the inclusion of Tarlac province in the eight provinces that revolted against Spain represented by the rays of the sun in the Philippine flag. According to Chua, this is a mistake that Aguinaldo corrected as seen on the wood carving located at the ceiling of his house wherein Bataan was replaced by Tarlac among the rays.

"Macabulos led the [local] chapter katipunans in Tarlac during the 1896 Philippine revolution against Spain. Macabulos continued the struggle despite President Emilio Aguinaldo's truce with the Spaniards in Biak-na-Bato in 1897," Chua said.

Dr. Dizon also authored the book "Francisco Makabulos Soliman: A Biographical Study of a Local Revolutionary Hero" which can help Tarlaqueños prepare for the celebration, according to TSU president Dr. Myrna Q. Mallari.

"Locate him [Macabulos] on his rightful place [in] Philippine history which is up

TSU awards 2019 top performing colleges and PECs



The Extension Services Office of Tarlac State University held an online awarding ceremony for the top performing colleges and program extension chairpersons (PECs) on September 7, 2020 via Zoom.

The awards granted are based on the extension services rendered in 2019.

Among the colleges, the College of Criminal Justice Education, College of Arts and Social Sciences, and College of Public Administration and Governance were awarded as the top three, respectively, for their excellent delivery of extension services.

The college rankings were determined using a set of criteria which evaluated the quality and timeliness of delivery of services. Furthermore, the extent of contribution of the services to PBB and SUC Leveling targets were also considered in the criteria as stated

in an office memorandum issued by the TSU-ESO.

The office also acknowledged the exemplary performance of the following faculty members who served as Program Extension Chairpersons for 2019:

1. Dr. Rosalina C. Garcia, Bachelor of Elementary Education
2. Mr. Jan Vincent S. Carmen, Bachelor of Science in Criminology
3. Dr. Cynthia G. Quiambao, Graduate Studies
4. Ms. Mary Katherine A. Apolonio, Bachelor of Science in Food Technology
5. Mr. Jeremiah Paul C. Silvestre, Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
6. Ms. Maria Fermina Joyce C. Nucum, Bachelor of Arts in Communication
7. Engr. Maan B. Florendo,

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

7. Dr. Jeanette M. Baquing, Bachelor of Secondary Education

8. Ms. Franchete O. Caingat, Bachelor of Arts in English Language Studies

9. Ms. Olivette P. Flores, Bachelor of Science in Accountancy

10. Mr. Jerry D. Mariano, Bachelor of Science in Accounting Technology

Also stated in the office memorandum, the PEC rankings were based on a set of criteria which evaluated the quality of service and commitment of chairpersons.

The virtual activity was graced by Vice President for Research and Extension Services Dr. Armee N. Rosel, and college deans Dr. Theodore M. Timpac (CCJE) and Dr. Edwin T. Caoleng (CPAG).

[Jay Ann L. Pablo (UESO)]

Unsung heroes

Even before the onset of the dreaded pandemic today, the world is already plagued by problems – ranging from discrimination due to certain differences to unsustainable agricultural practices. Despite these, and romanticization aside, humanity has thrived. It may be attributed to leaders and political figures who address the public or to unsung heroes whose achievements are unacknowledged or little-known, yet are tirelessly working beyond the superficial coverage of a camera lens.

General Francisco Macabulos, Tarlac's revolutionary hero whose birth anniversary is supposedly celebrated every September, is much like an unsung hero of Tarlac. Although he is recognized as a local hero, his contributions are not popular to all Tarlaqueños. His name rings a bell just because of a street named after him, not because of his heroic deeds which led to the inclusion of Tarlac among the eight provinces represented by the rays of the sun in the Philippine flag — a deed worthy of an annual celebration from his hometown.

In one way or another, Gen. Macabulos is similar to the ordinary citizens of today who have done great contributions but have received little or no recognition. These ordinary people do things which improve some aspects of social conditions, directly or indirectly, and they do it out of pure service or passion — regardless of being credited for it or not.

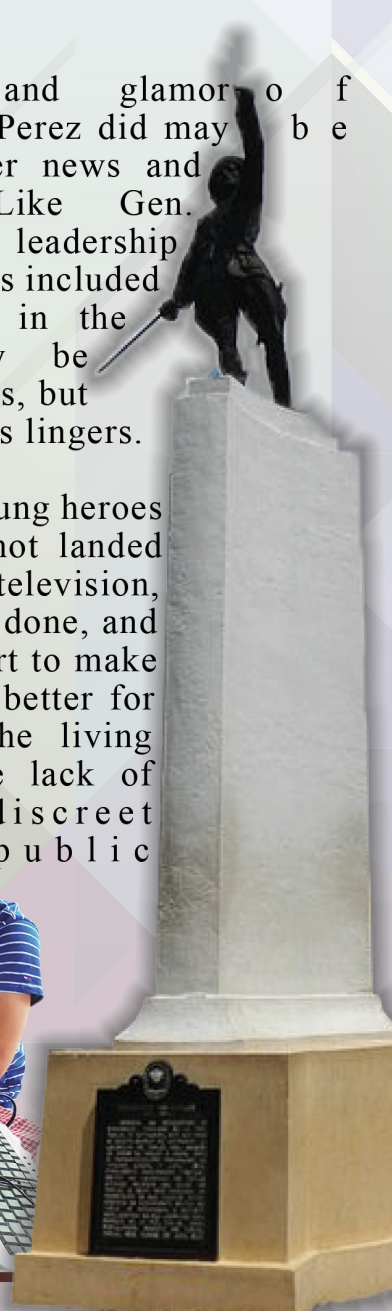
One modern-day unsung hero is Mark Anthony Perez, a programmer of Tarlac State University, who started to repair students' laptops for free in August 2020. His act inspired volunteers

from different provinces and regions to do the same which helped numerous students with their struggles concerning lack of gadgets for online learning.

Perez never asked for fame and popularity. What he merely wanted is to extend a helping hand as a form of “gratitude” to those who once helped him when he was in need, as reported by Inquirer.

After the glitz and glamor of media coverage, what Perez did may be overshadowed by other news and inspiring stories. Like Gen. Macabulos, having his leadership as a reason why Tarlac is included among the sun rays in the Philippine flag may be seldom taught nowadays, but the impact of his actions lingers.

There may be other unsung heroes like Perez who have not landed on the newspaper or television, but they have certainly done, and are still doing, their part to make living conditions a bit better for everyone. They are the living proof that despite the lack of recognition, discreet service to the public continues.



FEATURE

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Accountancy is one of the most sought-after degrees in higher education learning. In a research published by the University of Edinburgh, it's one of the most progressive, expansive, and rewarding careers in modern business.

But it is also one of the most difficult.

A certain fluency with numbers is necessary for its overall skill set, along with a capacity for high-level critical thinking and problem solving. As such, universities and colleges had to put a cap and raise the bar by setting quotas and retention policies to maintain its quality and professional excellence.

Tarlac State University is no different. The College of Business and Accountancy had set a retention grade of 2.5 for its Accountancy program which is equivalent to a satisfactory grade. This is in accordance with the Revised Policies, Standards and Guidelines for Bachelor of Science in Accountancy from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED Memorandum Order No. 27, s. 2017).

Therefore, it is with great admiration that Rainiel Soriano, a TSU alumnus and a Certified Public Accountant, has caught the eye of Dr. Rufo R. Mendoza, an esteemed gentleman in the industry of Philippine Accountancy.

Dr. Mendoza served as a Vice-Chair for the Professional Regulatory Board of Accountancy, the highest body in the accountancy profession in the Philippines. He had regularly represented the Philippines in various meetings for the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangements on Accounting Services. He also served as a Senior Consultant to United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Australian Aid, European

Commission, World Bank, among others.

He has watched Rainiel's online lectures on YouTube, mostly about investment, which he found "enticing" and "effective." He shared his sentiments on social media about these online lectures and even went as far sending him a message asking for more videos saying, "Sobrang ganda ng 2 videos mo on equity securities, plus iyong sa investments. It's the best video I've seen in the country." It was a thoughtful message and critique highlighting his strong and weak points.

TEACHER RAINIEL

The 25-year old Rainiel Soriano is a graduate of Bachelor of Science in Accountancy in 2016 whose career flourished as an Accounting educator not only in review centers but also in prestigious universities.

Rainiel is the first born of a property specialist and a former OFW. His two younger brothers are still studying; one is enrolled in Criminology while the other is in junior high school.

But being the first born of three, Rainiel had to carry the burdens of responsibility. This includes dashing the hopes of becoming a teacher even if it is his childhood dream.

"I was actually planning to pursue a degree in Secondary Education Major in Mathematics, but it was more expensive to travel going to the Lucinda Campus [compared to the Main Campus]. Accountancy is the closest to a mathematics degree. It's more of an economical choice because we were struggling financially during those times," he said in an online interview.

After his graduation, he ventured as an associate auditor for Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited (DTTL), a UK private company that provides

audit, consulting, financial advisory services, and many more.

However, his passion for teaching did not wane. While working at DTTL, he also worked as an undergraduate reviewer for Colegio de San Juan de Letran Calamba.

After leaving the company in 2017, he moved on to become a part-time instructor for Far Eastern University in Manila and University of Santo Tomas until 2019 while continuing as an undergraduate and CPA Licensure Examination reviewer for numerous certified centers.

"I have considered going back to the corporate world, but it was a half-hearted decision," he continued.

Starting October 2020, he is joining the Accounting Department of De La Salle University Manila as a lecturer.

BECOMING A YOUTUBER

Because of the pandemic, the whole Luzon island had been subjected to the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) from March 2020. With time on his hands, Rainiel started a YouTube channel in April entitled Accounting Lecture Series that focuses on the concepts, problems, and practices in Accountancy.

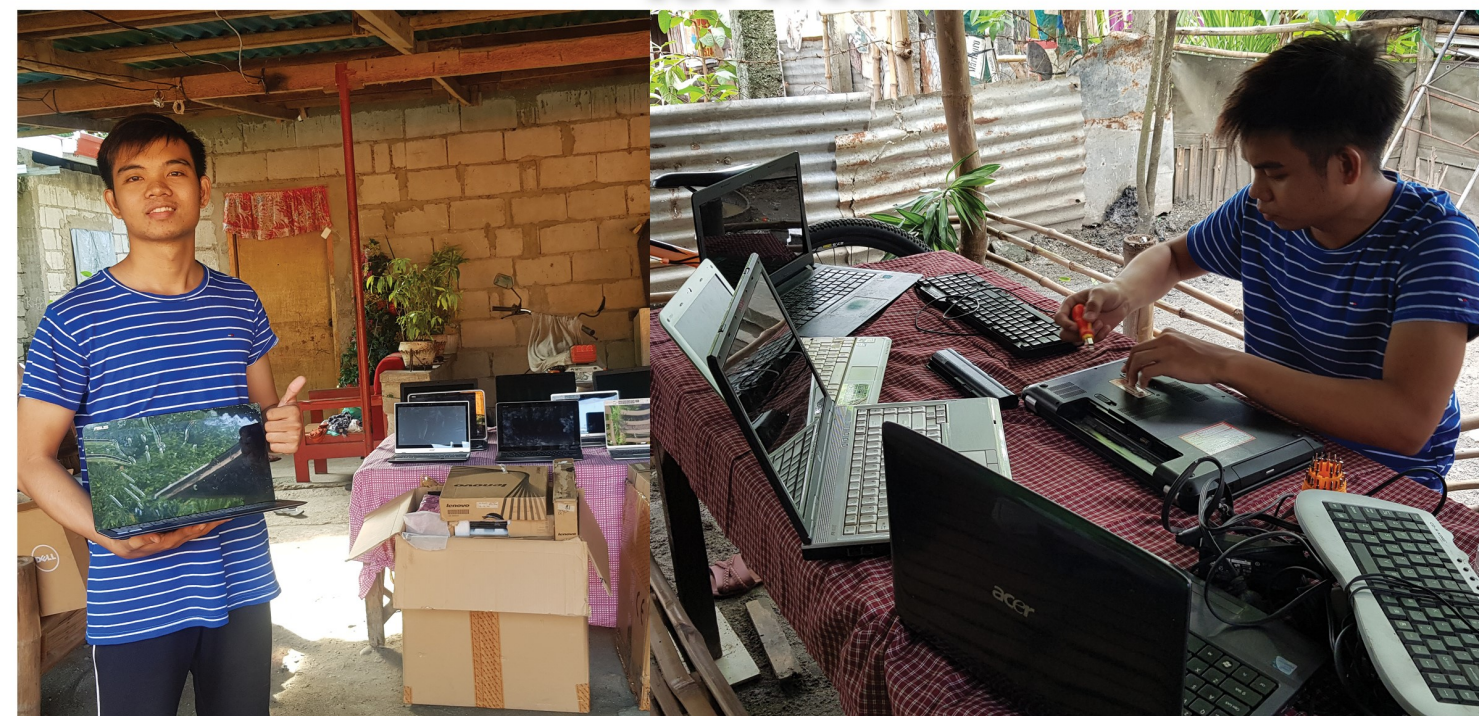
"Since I had plenty of time during the quarantine period, I decided to pursue my plan of creating accounting tutorials to help and guide accountancy students and CPA aspirants in their self-paced studies," he said.

He also mentioned that he plans to continue uploading content for those who are already following him.

When asked about his reaction to Dr. Mendoza's comment, he had this to reply:

"I am already overwhelmed to be noticed by a well-esteemed former vice chair of [the] Board of

TSU programmer repairs students' laptops for free



A programmer from Tarlac State University launched a free computer/laptop repair services for students in the Tarlac province who are attending online classes.

Mark Anthony Perez, 22, started his campaign last August 27 wherein around 1,000 students have reached him seeking for help.

"All they need is to show their certificate of registration (COR) or school ID. This campaign is open to all students who are in need," he said in an interview.

In a social media post, Perez encouraged netizens to donate their old or damaged laptops to him instead of disposing them since he can still use the functional spare parts in repairing.

As a former Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) scholar, he said, "Ang alam ko lang gusto [kong] makatulong kahit sa simpleng bagay lang na ganito. Minsan na din akong nahirapan at may mga taong tumulong saakin. Panahon na para ako naman ang magbalik ng tulong para sa iba."

Donations poured in

After his story went viral on social media, Gigahertz, a computer store in Manila, donated 49 defective laptops, 195 chargers, 43 pcs of 2GB RAM, four 4GB RAM, and eight pieces of 8GB RAM.

While Eastvantage, a BPO company in BGC in Taguig, donated 25 defective desktops, 50 monitors, 91 keyboards, 26 mouse, 31 headsets, two projectors, and five laptops.

According to Perez, a certain Jess Yanga, owner of a computer store in Concepcion town, gave him a huge discount when he bought 15 pieces of 160 GB HDD upon knowing that he repairs laptops for free.

Perez now works with eight volunteers namely Patrick Johnry Salita, Dinard Nicosia, Francisco Muan, Aldrin Marck B. Medrano, Nicolas Espenilla, and Sherwin Perez. While Alexrael Caculitan and Renz Angelo Corpuz will repair the laptops of students from Sta. Ignacia town in Tarlac.

Two more volunteer technicians outside Tarlac province joined his campaign. Oliver Ramos will repair

laptops in Pampanga, while Bernard Paul offered free laptop repair services in Antipolo, Rizal.

"Ngayon mas marami na kaming nagtutulong-tulongan, at nawa'y mas dumami pa kami at makaabot maging sa ibang lugar ng bansa," Perez told Office of Public Affairs in an interview.

Commendable Act

Because of his commendable act, Perez was lauded and recognized by his barangay, Brgy. Tibag in Tarlac City, through a resolution passed by the Sangguniang Panglungsod (City Council) on September 1.

TSU also recognized his initiatives during the university's celebration of the 120th Philippine Civil Service Anniversary on September 19 where he received a certificate.

Perez has been featured on several local and international media. As of this writing, Perez said he has distributed seven laptops to students in need. [Maria Adelaida Calayag] *This story was first published in Inquirer.net.*

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**TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY****Vision**

Tarlac State University is envisioned to be a premier University in the Asia Pacific Region.

Mission

Tarlac State University commits to promote and sustain the offering of quality and relevant programs in higher and advanced education ensuring equitable access to education for people empowerment, professional development, and global competitiveness.

Towards this end, TSU shall:

- 1.) Provide high quality instruction through qualified, competent and adequately trained faculty members and support staff.
- 2.) Be a premier research institution by enhancing research undertakings in the fields of technology and sciences and strengthening collaboration with local and international institutions.
- 3.) Be a champion in community development by strengthening partnership with public and private organizations and individuals

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Tarlac State University is committed to improve continually for:

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- safe and healthy working conditions to prevent injury and ill health of its employees, students, guests, visitors, suppliers and contractors;
- management of environmental aspects towards the prevention of pollution;
- compliant to regulatory and statutory requirements for the utmost satisfaction of its valued customers.

TSU syncs budgeting and planning processes



The university commenced the workshop on integrated planning and budgeting for fiscal years 2021 and 2022 on September 29, 2020 spearheaded by the newly merged Office of Planning, Performance Monitoring, and Evaluation (OPPME).

Starting this year, the planning and budgeting processes are harmonized through TSU Memorandum Circular No. 12, dated September 3, 2020, stating that such processes are “very important aspects and elements of an effective and efficient management of an organization.”

The “proposed harmonized planning and budgeting process” calendar lists August to September

of every year as the start of the university targeting which will conclude with the annual university planning with the TSU administration and Board of Regents in December.

The university’s Executive Committee held the preliminary discussions for the 2021 action plan and 2022 strategic plan also on September 29 which will be followed by the workshop of the offices under each vice president until October 2.

“We [Executive Committee] cannot dictate their [offices and colleges] targets, but we can [set] their direction. And right now, we already know where we are going,” university president Dr.

Myrna Q. Mallari said during the discussion.

Other essential plans are also incorporated in the harmonized process such as the Land-Use Development and Infrastructure Plan (LUDIP), Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP), and risk assessment for risk register development.

According to Dr. Jay Pabusan, OPPME director, this move to harmonize the planning and budgeting process is attributed to the vision of former university planning director, Prof. Redemptor Toledano, and former budget officer, Mr. Jesus Danganan. [Jazzel Llaneli M. Manabat]

SOL Legal Aid Center named after Tarlaqueño hazing victim



Tarlac State University - School of Law initiated the blessing of the Legal Aid Center named after Marc Andre Marcos, slain victim of fraternity hazing at the then San Beda College, on September 25, 2020.

The “Marc Andrei Marcos Legal Aid Center” also has a Center for Human Rights Legal Clinic which will be opened to all Tarlaqueños needing legal advice.

According to Atty. Jose De la Rama, SOL dean, students can also put into practice what they have learned when they are given the chance to man and operate the legal aid clinic.

The blessing of the new facility was presided by Rev. Fr. Archie

Cortez and attended by Judge Martonino Marcos and Guadalupe Marcos, grandparents of Marcos, along with some TSU officials and SOL student-representatives.

Marcos, a 20-year-old Bedan law freshman from Ramos town of Tarlac, died on July 30, 2012 due to organ failure caused by hematoma after joining the initiation rites of Lex Leonum Fraternitas.

Despite the ill fate of Marcos, Lex Leonum Fraternitas, Inc. vowed to continuously support the TSU-SOL in his memory. They will also donate around 1,000 books to the SOL library.

“I haven’t had the opportunity to meet Andre Marcos but hearing

the life that he had lived and hearing the people who have lived close to him, this guy, who would’ve been a lawyer, is a good man; and this guy shall never put to waste. We shall continue his legacy; we shall continue the fire burning in his heart to become a lawyer someday,” said Atty. Don Mendoza, Lex Leonum Fraternitas member who graced the event.

Marcos came from a family of lawyers. He is the nephew of Atty. Marimier Marcos-Rivera, a faculty member of SOL since 2008. During his wake, law students of TSU held a motorcade from Tarlac City to Ramos town to press for justice for Marcos’ death. [Maria Adelaida Calayag]

TSU experts present results and recommendations to ensure food safety in Tarlac City



After completing the analysis and interpretation of data and samples gathered, experts from Tarlac State University presented the results and recommendations for the establishment of the Food Safety Control System (FSCS) for service operators and ambulant street-food vendors of Tarlac City on September 24, 2020 at the Executive Boardroom of the Tarlac City Hall.

The FSCS is a collaborative project of TSU with the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and the Tarlac City government where each body has its own responsibility for the said project.

The local government of Tarlac City, whose mandate rests on ensuring the safety and wellbeing of its constituents, was tasked to provide data and information in facilitating factual decision approach among policy-making bodies of Tarlac City with the goal of protecting the consumers’ health and welfare.

On the other hand, TSU facilitated a community-driven research and extension intervention while DOST provided the central direction, leadership, and coordination of scientific and technological efforts for social benefits.

The project, which is now

on its terminal phase, is geared towards having a risk-based policy recommendation to serve as reference in crafting the FSCS.

Food Technology and Research Center director Prof. Leah T. Matias and faculty members from the College of Science, namely Dr. Lea B. Milan, Ms. Mary Katherine A. Apolonio, Ms. Katherine P. Ipan, and Mr. Aljon N. Lusong delivered expertise in the project along with Mr. Jaidriel Meg G. Cabanding, Mr. Xyris Gerard A. Fernandez, Ms. Geraldine R. Gamoso, and Ms. Abigail F. Feliciano of the University Research Office.

[Jay Ann L. Pablo, UESO]

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there with the other foremost heroes in our country. Just remember not to forget him in the history; let it always be a *Bienvenido* for General Macabulos,” Pres. Mallari said in her message during the lecture – webinar.

Meanwhile, the MAHARLIKA students from the College of Teacher Education (CTEd) created the “Macabulos @ 150” logo which is eyed to be used for the

sesquicentennial celebration on September 15, 2021. Dr. Dizon said they are still waiting for the approval of the NHCP to use it as the official logo.

Deyo Carlos Dela Cruz and Lander Tejada, faculty members from CTED, served as moderators for the lecture-webinar.

Gen. Francisco Macabulos, who was branded as the Tarlac liberator,

was born on September 17, 1871 to Gregoria Soliman and writer Alejandro. He was also a playwright and wrote several zarzuelas.

He served as the military governor of the Tarlac province from 1898-1900 and municipal mayor of La Paz town from 1900-1902.

The revolutionary hero died on April 20, 1922 in a bout of pneumonia at age 51. [Maria Adelaida D. Calayag]



TSU digitally celebrates 120th Philippine Civil Service Anniversary

Despite the ongoing fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, Tarlac State University joined the Philippine Civil Service Commission (CSC) in celebrating its 120th anniversary for the whole month of September through the conduct of online activities.

Bearing the theme “Philippine Civil Service @120: Public Sector in the Age of Digital Transformation”, this year’s celebration emphasizes the use of digital technology in the context of emergency situations while pursuing efficient public service delivery in the Philippine government.

“This is to highlight emerging technologies that push modernization and innovation in public service. The theme also captures the changes we have experienced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Now more than ever, we have to remain resilient, responsive, and creative in delivering our services and serving the Filipino people,” CSC Chairperson Alicia dela Rosa-Bala said in a video message during the closing program of the university’s celebration.

TSU’s Digital Celebration

The TSU Human Resource

Development and Management Office (HRDMO) led the four-week university-wide celebration with an opening program held during the “new normal” flag raising ceremony last September 1, 2020 at the TSU Main Campus.

Part of the kickoff is the breakfast for ‘Juan-hundred and twenty’ which was done on a first-come, first-served basis for the first 20 employees per campus on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Other activities include a call for the simultaneous display of PCS logo design on Facebook, a digital photo collage (montage) art contest which encapsulates the theme, and the employee dedication e-booth where participants were asked to post a throwback picture with colleagues at TSU.

Moreover, on September 25, 2020, the HRDMO hosted a free webinar via Zoom entitled “Mental Health in the Workplace” featuring Mr. Jeremiah Paul C. Silvestre, Rpm as the resource speaker.

The webinar, with over 90 attendees, was well received evidenced by the dynamic participation in the chat box.

Mr. Silvestre concluded his talk with an open forum entertaining questions concerning mental health.

Awards and Appreciation

On September 29, the HRDMO wrapped up the event with an online awards ceremony over Zoom

Ten winners of the PCS logo display were drawn by Dr. Niño Corpuz, Vice President for Planning and Quality Assurance, through lots. Each winner received a P100 worth of load and a gift certificate.

Meanwhile, first place winners of the Employee Dedication E-booth and Digital Photo Collage are Ms. Jessica Mae Suba (OUP) and Ms. Ma. Teresa Madriaga (OPA). They were both awarded with P200 and P500 worth of load plus gift certificates, respectively.

Ms. Madriaga’s winning photo collage was submitted as the official entry of the university in the Digital Photo Collage (Montage) Art Contest of the CSC and Council of Personnel Office (CPO) Tarlac where it also won 1st place against other government agencies across the province on September 30, 2020.

TSU personnel who helped during the university’s call to cushion the impact of the pandemic in the province were also recognized during the closing ceremonies.

A special recognition was given to Mr. Mark Anthony Perez (MISO) for his altruistic deeds and humanitarian gesture through his viral “free laptop repair” campaign on social media.

For the past month, Mr. Perez has been asking for used gadgets and devices, repairs those which are defective, and gives them to students in need of gadgets for online classes.

Aside from these, the HRDMO also took this opportunity to recognize once again the loyalty service awardees of 2019 to present them with their much-awaited Tokens of Appreciation for rendering 10, 15, 35, and 40 years of service to the university.

“Ito ay paggunita at pagbibigay pugay sa mga oras na ginugol nila sa Tarlac State University, sa mga oras na ginamit nila ng mas marami kaysa sa kanilang mga pamilya upang makapagsilbi sa ating mga stakeholders,” TSU president Dr. Myrna Mallari said in her message.

[Jodie Andrea G. Pangilinan]

