

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Shaping and Creating our Future: Innovate. Invent. Invest.



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STRATEGIC WIN. COE attributes their 70.09% passing rate in the recently concluded Civil Engineering Licensure Exam to their intensified implementation of the admission and retention policy which aims to sift through students who are ready to take the exam. CE students have to pass the pre-board exam before fully graduating.

Today marks a milestone in the life of the Eastern Visayas State University as we celebrate its 112th Foundation Anniversary. With gratitude and appreciation, I am deeply honored and humbled to have been given this great opportunity to render a report of what we have achieved over the course of my administration as well as our prospects and challenges in the near future. This is also a day of thanksgiving for all the graces we have received through the years.

My journey to become part of this great institution started at the Graduate School after which I was given the privilege to serve as part of the administration. Those challenging but fruitful years instilled in me a passion for engagement and a sense of commitment to do my job well and to always be a part of the solution. Hence, when I was given the opportunity and the privilege to steer and run the affairs of the university, I made a promise to make a difference in the lives of our constituents. This is inscribed in our development platform which we call as "Shaping and Creating our Future" For this, I thank the Lord for giving me the grace to be surrounded with wonderful and generous people who believed in me and who have served and dedicated their lives to serve for the best interest of the university. To the distinguished members of the Board of Regents led by the Hon. Chair of the CHED, Commissioner J Prospero de Vera, the Administration officials, our partner institutions, from the government and the corporate sector, the members of the faculty and the non-teaching staff the alumni, our retirees, our dear students and to the rest of our stakeholders, thank you for making all things happen. Without your trust and continued support EVSU would not have become what it is today.

Here at the university, by

working together as a team and as part of one big family, we made a pact of unity to subscribe to the ideals set forth by our predecessors- of serving for meaning to achieve excellence, to initiate value laden and service-driven programs and to always be united amidst diversity. And so today, we have come together to celebrate our humble accomplishments which we have done over the past years. Let me share with you our report card over the course of this administration.

Governance. In response to the call of the government to provide opportunities for higher education for the youth we have opened our doors to many hopeful youth because over the past years there was a consistent increase in the number of students enrolled in various programs thus, earning the rank of having the highest student population from among the 10 SUCs in the region. We thank the Duterte administration because this semester, more than 19,000 students have been given free school fees. On top of this, EVSU ranked third (3rd) from among all the 112 SUCs in the country and no. 1 in the region of having more than 3,000 recipients of the Tertiary Education Subsidy. This is a form of financial assistance granted to financially challenged students. In pushing for reforms in the university, the Board of Regents, as the policy making body, pushed for the approval of the Revised University Code to keep in sync with the pressing demands for change and development. In addition, last year, the board in consultation with the academic community, also crafted 10 manual of operations and finally approved 4 manuals for the efficient implementation of our programs, projects and activities. For the year 2018 the board passed resolutions all for the benefit of our constituents notable among which include the approval of new appointments, infrastructure development, faculty and student training

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and development programs, scholarships, research and extension activities, among others.

In our efforts to fill in the need for additional personnel in the university, for the year 2018, twenty (20) new faculty members were hired adding to the existing 495 faculty of the university. We have also hired 71 part-time instructors during the period. As a support staff of the university, 14 new non-teaching jobs were filled up as an addition to 243 members of the support staff.

Academic Reforms and Initiatives. Basic to the role of higher education institutions in contributing the development of the social and economic landscape of the region and in consonance with the policy for ASEAN Integration, the university has adopted the OBE or the so-called outcomes based education in all of its 82 program offerings. Today, we are among the top performers in the area of accreditation because 63 of our academic programs have been accredited by the Accrediting Agency for Chartered Colleges and Universities of the Philippines (AACUP) while our Maritime Education Program was among the pioneers in the ISO accreditation and has recently migrated to the ISO 9001-2015 accreditation.

In the area of faculty development, the university, sent more than 50 scholars through grants coming from the CHED, the Science Education Institute and from the funds of the university as well. In

addition to this, more than faculty members attended trainings and seminars last year at the international, national and local levels. A considerable number of faculty members have moved up the ladder via the NBC 461 academic rankings.

The university puts premium to the wholistic development of our students. The past year saw an increasing trend in the attendance of our students in various seminars and trainings. For the year 2018 a total of ___ students were given the opportunity to attend said activities. The year in review also saw remarkable results of our students in the Board Examinations. In the recent board examination results the university has 82 new civil engineers with 70.09% institutional passing % against 55.65% National passing % . There were ninety-eight (98) new professional licensed teachers with 46.67% institutional passing % against 39.8% national passing rate, 21 new architects with 60% above the national passing rate of 56.35% and 19 new accountants with 31.58% institutional passing % against 29.14% national passing % . This can be attributed to the stricter admission and retention policy of the university, the new teaching approaches and methodologies adopted by the faculty and the interest of the students to excel. To get the feel of actual work, the university partnered with more or less 100 institutions in the conduct of on-the-job training program for students.



It was also a banner year for the students because in the SCUAA 2018 held at Eastern Samar State University- EVSU emerged 2nd place in that sporting event. With the present participation of the Basketball Team in the EVCAA sponsored Basketball invitation games so far the EVSU-Eagles have never lost in the game series. We have won 3 games with zero losses. On the other hand, the Student Publications Office has made it again having been awarded as the Campus Press of the Year in the region. In the cultural sphere, our performing arts groups- the EVSU Koro Waraynon, the SAMLEYAW and Habaynon dancers are well-known for their outstanding performances

Enhancing research and extension Programs. In fostering a collaborative research culture in the university a viable research agenda was crafted which resulted to some positive results. For the year 2018, one hundred forty-five (145) research-based papers were presented in the research fora at the international, national,

regional and at the institutional levels. Three research papers from EVSU bested in the competition at the international levels and in the same year, 48 researches were completed, with 42 on-going researches conducted by the faculty. Last year an additional 7 of our research-based papers were published in international indexed journals.

The university saw it fit to establish research centers to enhance the research capability of the faculty, staff and students. The Food Innovation Center or the FIC for short is a DOST- assisted project which serves as research hub for food processing while the Technology Based Incubation Center-Shared Service Facility (TBI-SSF) funded by the DTI and the Canadian based NGO , will serve as a center for the commercialization of research-based products adopted by the SMEs. As of today, the FIC has completed 147 prototypes over the last 3 years. To complete its supply-chain, the university, in partnership with the DTI has established a Negosyo



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Center , the only center in the city established within the university. This center provides services to prospective entrepreneurs in livelihood and skills development.

Having learned from the lessons of typhoon Yolanda, the university also established the Learning Institute for the Environment . As a new research hub, the center will focus-on researches related to disaster risk reduction management and on sustainable development. Of the 5 major projects identified, (one) has been completed. It has successfully forged partnerships with some INGOs such as Save-the-Children, Plan International and recently with Global Network for Disaster Response and the PH Haiyan group. In addition to this, the university successfully hosted the 2nd International Science, Technology, Engineering, Agriculture and Mathematics Congress (ISTEAM). In a very special way , we would like to thank our alumnus from our university, Academician Alvin Culaba of the NAST and De La Salle University for his utmost support in the realization of our ISTEAM congress. Researches along the different strands mentioned were presented by the faculty and students from the national and international levels. In the area of on-line publication, the university came up with its maiden issue of the Innovative Technology and Management Journal.

To beef up its research program, the university has partnered with other institutions and research centers in the region. As the permanent home of the EVCIEERD or the Eastern Visayas Consortium for Industry, Energy, Emerging Technologies for Research and Development, the university has engaged in the conduct of research-driven collaborative programs and projects. It has forged partnerships with the VICARP and the Consortium on Health related researches in the region.

In implementing a research-based extension program, the university forged partnerships with local communities and NGOs along diverse areas of interest. These include community continuing education , livelihood skills training and techno transfer, as well as LGU Managerial Capability enhancement. With these identified priority

interventions, a total of 1,765 beneficiaries were served. All of these were realized through our collaborative efforts with our several partner agencies and institutions. (Pls flash the logos of our partners).

Internationalization. To keep in sync with the times, the university has opened opportunities for growth through establishing linkages abroad via our students now undergoing on-the-job trainings in Malaysia and in the USA. Faculty members have also presented research papers abroad. Through our research and extension programs, international organizations and some universities have collaborated in the conduct of research.

Resource Generation, Production and Linkages. The year 2018 ushered in developments in the financial management of the university. This is reflected in our financial management status report which shows an improved performance of the management system of the university.

For the year 2018, Php 405, 787,000.00, was allotted to the university via the GAA. Later additional releases were made in the amount of Php 12,010,063.00. The total amount of budget released reached Php 417, 797, 063 intended for personnel services to include the SSL third tranche, Retirement and Life Insurance Premiums (RLIP), maintenance and other operating expenses (MOOE) and Capital outlay.

Actual obligations for Fiscal year 2018 was 412,977,319.36 with a utilization rate of 99%. As regards the amount of benefits granted via the CNA for 2018, Php 12,161, 806 was released.

For our internally generated income, the university got a total of 387,284,051,067 the process of fund utilization was based on the CHED directive as well as in line with prescribed government rules and regulations.

Physical Facilities and Infrastructure Development Program. In our quest to become a highly reputable institution of higher learning, the university has embarked a massive infrastructure development program. This was considered part of our priority agenda due to the massive destruction of our buildings and equipment brought by typhoon Yolanda. As of today, we have 6 projects completed across campuses and 11 on-going infrastructure projects with a total cost of Php 143, 259, 252.25 funded from the continuing appropriations and internally generated funds of the university. These projects if finished this year will surely benefit our students and will enhance the physical aspect of the university.

Our Way Forward: Prospects and Challenges. In creating and shaping our future, we need to innovate, invent and invest to achieve our vision of becoming a highly reputable institution. In building a strong foundation of the university, we need to invest on our people via a standardized

selection and hiring process. We will comply with the Civil Rules and Regulations via re-accreditation of the PRIME_HRM requirements. We will commit to comply with our COPC requirements the earliest possible time and submit our remaining programs for accreditation. With the full implementation of free tertiary education , a comprehensive guidance and counseling program will have to be crafted along value-reorientation and in fostering a true Filipino spirit .

Anchored on our core values, we must aim for continuous improvement and raise levels of productivity in research, extension and the internationalization program of the university. An enhanced Income-generating program is now in the pipeline

We will continue with the physical and infrastructure development program of the university. Our target plans and shovel-ready projects for the whole system have already been submitted to concerned agencies for endorsement.

As we aim high for this university we so love, let us all commit ourselves again to deliver the best we could as we build, create and transform our university as a pro-active partner for development in the region and for the nation. God bless everyone! Happy 112th

Founding Anniversary, have a great valentine's day celebration and mabuhay! •



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