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AACCUP SURVEY VISIT 2015

Dr. Elvira C. Prieto
Head, Instructional and Library Resources Services

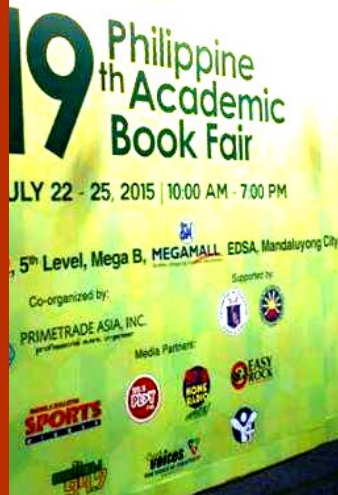
Library services form part of successful university operations. As an academic institution pursues its vision for academic excellence, it undergoes several evaluation processes, one of which is program accreditation. The University of Rizal System subjected its various curricular programs into evaluation processes, by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities of the Philippines (AACCUP) and received the following recognitions:

Campus	Level of Accreditation	Date of Survey Visit	Survey Result
Antipolo	Preliminary Survey Visit Master of Arts in Teaching	May 4-6, 2015	Candidate
Binangonan	Preliminary Survey Visit for Graduate School MM, MBA, DBA	May 4-6, 2015	Candidate
Cainta	Preliminary Survey Visit for BSE, BEED and BT	May 4-6, 2015	Candidate
Cardona	Level 1 BS in Fisheries	August 17-21, 2015	Passed Area 7
Pililla	Preliminary Survey Visit for Doctor in Public Administration, Master in Public Administration, BS in Office Administration Major in Office Management	May 4-8, 2015	Candidate
Pililla	BSE Major in Filipino, BSE Major in MAPEH, Level 2 BSE Major in Social Studies, BSE Major in English and BEED major in Content Courses	August 17-21, 2015	Accredited Level 2
Morong	Level 2 Bachelor of Technology	August 17-21, 2015	Accredited Level 2
Tanay	Level 1 BS Psychology, BS Tourism Management, Bachelor of Science in Office Administration, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Forestry, Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science	August 17-21, 2015	Accredited Level 1
Taytay	Preliminary Survey Visit BS Nursing	May 4-6, 2015	Candidate

URS Librarians attend ABAP

Dr. Emelita F. Jimenez

Library-In-Charge, Circulation Section Morong Campus



Librarians and Library-In-Charge of the ten (10) URS Campuses together with deans and program heads participated in the 19th Philippine Academic Book Fair last July 22, 2015 at Megatrade Hall 2, 5th Floor, SM Megamall, Mandaluyong City. Organized by the Academic Booksellers Association of the Philippines (ABAP) and the Primetrade Asia Incorporated. The Book Fair aims to showcase to the participants the latest feature of academic books, journals, references and other materials for educational institutions and to provide them with the opportunity to avail of educational materials at the most reasonable price. Aside from book displays, series of seminars on education and technology also were covered in the three-day activity.

New URS Library Services Head Unveils Plans

Cherry M. Damiles

Library-In-Charge, IT Staff, URS Morong



Dr. Elvira C. Prieto
Head

Library and Information Resource Services

Fresh from her new appointment as Head of Library and Information Resource Services, Dr. Elvira C. Prieto facilitated the meeting of all Librarians, Library-in-charge and staff last June 3, 2015 to determine the current status of each campus libraries in terms of collection, problems encountered in rendering library services and laid her future plans for the library during her term.

Such include automation of the library system, upgrading of library holdings and enhancement of services.

Also present at the meeting were Dr. Ronnie N. Parica, Vice President for Administration and Finance, who discussed the budget and its preparation, Mr. John John Faulve, Head, SPMO, explained and answered queries on procurement of library re-

sources for both print and electronic. Mr. Marvin Baquiran, Head of MIS, discussed the status of internet connectivity in all campuses.

Dr. Prieto gave her assurance to the group of her service and that all concerns will be addressed at the soonest possible time. She foresees a technologically equipped URS libraries with rich printed collection.

E-Status of DOST-STARBOOKS in URS Libraries

Analyn M. Tanawan, RL
Librarian, Lab. Schools Library-Morong Campus



STARBOOKS stands for Science and Technology Academic and Research-Based Openly Operated Kiosk Station. It is the first Philippine Science Digital Library that comprises at least 14,000 titles and 203 videos of digitized resources on science and technology. Some of its special features are its free and customizable system; a stand alone information kiosk where information is readily available even without internet connection; and a one-stop science and technology information source from all over the Philippines.

Being one of the recipients of the said STARBOOKS, the University maximizes its use through its campus libraries.

Below is the statistic of users for 2015.

Campus	No. of Users
Angono	1,793
Binangonan	720
Cainta	120
Morong	318
Pililla	475
Rodriguez	5,101
Tanay	6,004
Total	14,531

With a total number of 14,531 STARBOOKS users, it really help the researchers generate new ideas and inventions through research and develop their entrepreneurial skills through livelihood videos. The request for installation for STARBOOKS program for Antipolo, Cardona and Taytay is on-going.

Hands-on Orientation and Workshop in Utilizing KOHA Library System

Rose Marie Q. Tiburcio, Library In-charge URS-Angono

The URS Librarians, Library In-charge, and Library Staff from the ten (10) campuses have gathered last March 18, 2016 at URS Tanay Main Campus Library to attend the Hands-on Orientation and Workshop in Utilizing KOHA Library System. The

said event was spearheaded by the Head of Instructional and Library Resources Services, Dr. Elvira C. Prieto to realize the full implementation of the university libraries' e-cataloging through the use of KOHA Library Software: the world's first free and

open source library system.

Enjoying the cold weather, participants were welcomed by Dr. Fe Batoon, Tanay Campus Director. Concurrent session covers the whole day activity. Lecture and Exercises in Cataloging and Overview of KOHA was discussed in detail by Ms. Anna Gefreliz R. Peñaranda, while the Hands-on Training in KOHA was facilitated by Mr. Andrew R. Jonson.



Hiring & Promotion of Library Personnel

Edith N. Sedutan, RL
Librarian, Rodriguez Campus

The URS Human Resource Management Office (HRMO), plays a vital role in ensuring that hiring and promoting qualified personnel for each campus will be scrutinized based on their credentials and educational attainments. The University Personnel Selection Board (UPSB) selected and hired three (3) librarians to fill-in vacant positions for Antipolo, Rodriguez and Tanay campus libraries.



Mrs. Edith Naigan-Sedutan, a licensed librarian and a graduate of Master in Library & Information Science at Polytechnic University of the Philippines

was hired on June 16, 2014 as Rodriguez Campus librarian. With her initial entry as Emergency Laborer Status (EL) from June 2014, she was promoted to Contractual position with School Librarian I item on August 2015.



Ms. Anna Gefreliz R. Peñaranda, a licensed librarian and currently taking her Masters in Library and Information Science Major in Archive at University of the Philippines Diliman took office as Tanay Campus Librarian on August 2015 with Permanent College Librarian I item.

Ms. Sheila E. Raguine, also a licensed librarian with Master in Library and Information Science Units at Polytechnic University of the Philippines was appointed as Antipolo Campus Librarian on February 2, 2015 with contractual School Librarian I position.

"Employees are a company's greatest asset - they're your competitive advantage. You want to attract and retain the best; provide them with encouragement, stimulus, and make them feel that they are an integral part of the company's mission". (Anne M. Mulcahy)

First National Conference on Digital Heritage

Aleili T. Bolire, RL
Librarian, Graduate School -Morong Campus

Representing the University of Rizal System, librarians: Cecilia G. Reyes, Aleili T. Bolire, Analyn M. Tanawan, Anna Gefreliz R. Peñaranda and Edith N. Sedutan attended the 1st National Conference on Digital Heritage with the theme: Preservation of and Access to Documentary Heritage in the Digital Age at Hotel JEN Manila, Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City last November 4-6, 2015.



Participants of the three-day conference were welcomed by Hon. Yolanda E. Jacinto, OIC, National Library of the Philippines with a keynote address on Documentary Heritage in the Digital Age: Issues and Concerns delivered by Hon. Felipe M. De Leon, Jr., Chairman, National Commission on Culture and the Arts. In his speech, he emphasized the value of heritage as a living legacy from the past that has to be passed on to generations. He mentioned that documentary heritage is the memory of humankind but is under constant threat of disappearing forever, so the first and most urgent need is to ensure the preservation and to make this heritage accessible to as many people as possible using the most appropriate technologies.

Topics on Overview of International and National Digital Heritage Initiatives with two sessions: Spreading the Potential of Cultural and Creative Industries by assistant secretary Raymund E. Liboro of the Department of Science and Technology and The Digital Heritage of South Korea by Director General Kim Sung-Il of National Library of Korea were discussed on the first day, Second day topics include National and International Framework for Digital Heritage Collection with session 1: Digital Roadmap of the Philippines by undersecretary Louis Napoleon C. Casambre of the Information and Communications Technology Office, session 2: Electronic Legal Deposit and Digitization in Japan by Vice President Hiroshi Kawamura of the Assistive Technology Development Organization (ATDO), session 3: Access to Philippine Documentary Heritage in the Digital Age, session 4: Intellectual Property Right Issues in Digital Age by Deputy Director General Allan B. Gepty, OTC, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines, session 5: The Preservation of Digital Heritage by Mr. Martin Julius V. Perez of Department of Foreign Affairs Archives and Mr. Stephen B. Alayon of Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center. The last conference day topics were Content Development: Enriching the Digital Heritage Collection with session 1: Exploring the Digital Heritage of the Philippine Higher Education by Atty. Julito Vitriolo of the Commission on Higher Education and session 2: Access to Digital Heritage Collection: The NLB Singapore's Experience by Ms. Ngian Lek Chok, National Library Board, Singapore.

The conference closes in the afternoon with the distribution of certificates and a sumptuous lunch served.

University Library Linkages Established

Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez, RL
Librarian, Pililla Campus



The Ateneo Initiative for Korean Studies (AIKS) along with Korean Cultural Center in the Philippines (KCC) has established linkages with University of Rizal System Library during the soft launch of the Korean Studies Portal last May 29, 2015 at Rizal Library Ateneo Loyola Heights Campus which was attended by Dr. Elvira C. Prieto and Mrs. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez. The said portal aims to establish a centralized database of Korean collection from partner agencies and institutions which includes the University.

With the AIKS MOU still being finalized, the Korean Cultural Center in the Philippines (KCC), on the other hand has included the University as one of the primary beneficiaries for book donations along with the prestigious Universities in the Philippines. At present, University of Rizal System Tanay Campus has been enjoying the monthly grant of Korean related reference books.



Meanwhile, with the initiative of Dr. Elvira C. Prieto, Head of the Instructional and Library Resources Services, the University has also been a recipient of free access to on-line databases through Integrated Philippine E-Library Project of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and four (4) partner agencies. The said project provides a year access to eight (8) databases namely: Emerald Insight, General One File, InfoTrac Engineering, Philippine E-Journals, ProQuest, ProQuest Central, Springer Link and Science in Context. The said databases have provided millions of academic research resources which supplements the printed collection of the library.



AIKS Participants @ Rizal Library, Ateneo University

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY COMMITTEE CONDUCTS RE-ECHO ON IPEL DATABASES

Sheila Raguine, RL
Librarian, Antipolo Campus

Dr. Elvira C. Prieto, Head of the Instructional and Library Resource Services, selected librarians and MIS personnel attended the Integrated Philippine E-Lib Training entitled “Cascading of the IPEL Project Online Databases Subscriptions” at Rizal Technological University last September 7, 2015. The training was organized by the Commission on Higher Education and National Library of the Philippines. Participants of the said training are recipients of the Integrated Philippine eLib (IPEL) which is a collaborative project of the National Library of the Philippines, Department of Science and Technology, Department of Agriculture and University of the Philippines and Commission on Higher Education. The IPEL program provides a free year subscription to online databases and aims to provide information needed by all sec-

tors of the society in an efficient way of delivery. During the training, the Database providers introduced and provided the participants detailed information of each database features included in the IPEL Grant.

As a result, The University Library Committee headed by Dr. Flordeliza R. Peñaranda, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dr. Elvira C. Prieto, with the support of Dr. Medardo Bombita, Binangonan Campus Director together with the IPEL Training participants: Ms. Anna Gefreliz R. Penaranda of Tanay Campus, Mrs. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez of Pililla Campus, Ms. Cherry M. Damiles, IT Staff of Morong Campus Library and Mr. Cyrus Mercado, MIS Staff of Morong Campus conducted a Re-Echo on IPEL databases to Librarians,

Library-In-Charge, Campus MIS Staff of the ten (10) URS campuses to orient them on the database features. Philippine E-Journals and Springer Link databases were introduced by Ms. Cherry M. Damiles; Emerald Insight, ProQuest Central and ProQuest Thesis and Dissertation Databases were presented by Mrs. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez while Ms. Anna Gefreliz R. Peñaranda talks about the Gale databases which includes General One File, InfoTrac Engineering and Science in Context databases.

The Re-echo provided the participants with the hands-on experience on how to do research using the databases and explore millions of research results that can be beneficial to the growing information demands of the academic community.



(L) Re-Echo Participants @ Binangonan Campus (R) IPEL Database Training Participants w/ Ms. Xenia of CHED @ RTU

Status of Campus Library Holdings

Dr. Adora Mallari, RL
Librarian, Binangonan Campus



It is said that the library is the center of instructional program of any college or university. Its main purpose is to provide services not only to students, faculty members and other members of the academe but also to the general public to improve and strengthen instruction by developing lifelong learning skills. Thus, the library is a vital source of intellectual advancement and a source of educational excellence.

It is in this light that the library holdings should be updated from time to time, that these holdings cater the needs of business and computer stakeholders. The University of Rizal System library is one in meeting the changing demands of its clients.

To determine these demands, the librarians assess its books as well its electronic resources and periodicals per curricular offering.

The following is a tabular status of URS Libraries Printed Collection acquired through purchase and donation with the total accumulated holdings reflected



Campus	Purchase	Donation	Accumulated Holdings
<u>Antipolo</u>	581	224	3,752
<u>Angono</u>	67	25	4,189
<u>Binangonan</u>	72	11	4,838
<u>Cainta</u>	20	70	3,910
<u>Cardona</u>	48	0	1,002
<u>Morong</u>	251	6	27,141
<u>Pililla</u>	608	57	5,825
<u>Rodriguez</u>	177	236	4,081
<u>Tanay</u>	482	24	10,890
<u>Taytay</u>	31	117	3,579
Total	2,280	784	69,362

Library Personnel visits Manila International Book Fair

Cecilia G. Reyes, RL
Campus Librarian, Morong Campus

URS librarians and library-in-charge headed by Dr. Elvira C. Prieto, Head for Instructional and Library Resource Services attended the 36th Manila International Book Fair last September 16, 2015 at SMX Convention Center, Mall of Asia Complex, Pasay City. The Manila International Book Fair is the biggest and longest running book fair in the country.

For almost four decades, the MIBF has satisfied the cravings for reading both academic or recreational in nature. The number of participants who joined the fair re-

flects that many are still into reading despite the advancement of technology.

The MIBF does not limit the event to book exhibits alone, fun-filled activities like story telling, meet and greet with the authors, concurrent sessions and workshop were also included.

Aside from book selection, URS librarians and Library-In-Charge attended a forum entitled "Librarians' Role in Managing a Plagiarism-free Environment" by Christine M. Abrigo sponsored by Philippine Association

for Academic and Research Librarians.

The speaker imparted the importance of protecting the rights of the authors and the librarian's role in addressing the issue on plagiarism.



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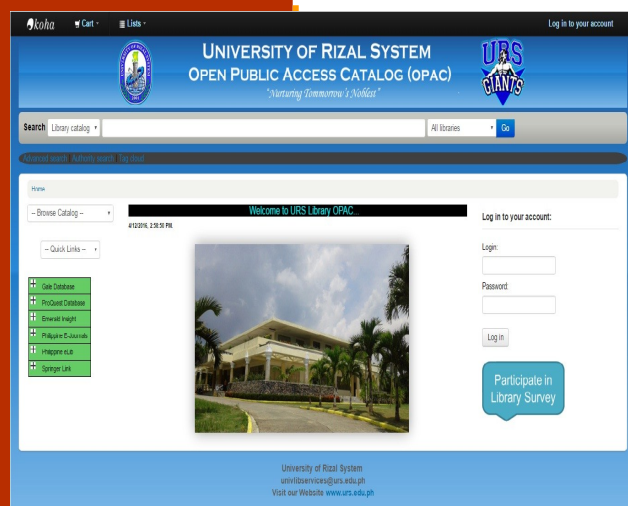
After the simultaneous sessions of lecture and training, Dr. Elvira C. Prieto delivered a closing remark saying that participation of all librarians and library staff are needed to truly make a milestone for the university libraries and hopes that the knowledge gained from the said activity will be implemented immediately in each campus libraries



Concurrent sessions with speakers Ms. Peñaranda and Mr. Johnson

Automating Library Services through KOHA

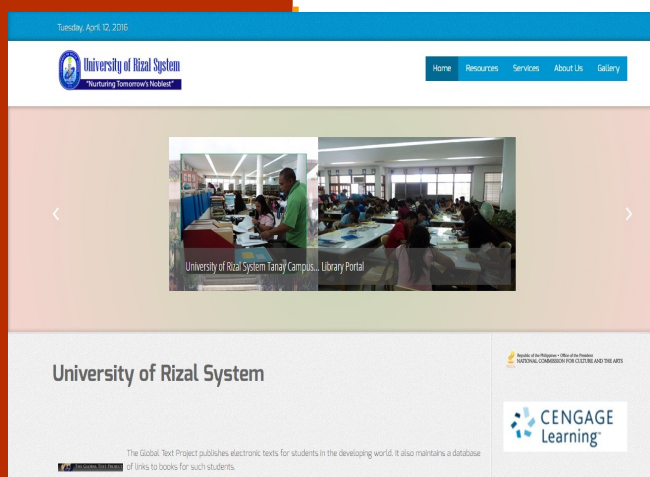
Anna Gefreliz R. Peñaranda, RL and Andrew Johnson
Librarian and IT Specialist, Tanay Campus



The 21st Century, library operations demand technological innovations. Library services need to be efficient and in Ranganathan's word "save the time of users". Throughout the globe, libraries use integrated library system to make library services more efficient and effective. As such, University of Rizal System adopted an open-source library system called KOHA.

KOHA originated from a team in New Zealand, and was launched in 2000. In the Philippines, KOHA was introduced through the National Library of the Philippines. They give free orientation through their Information Technology Division to the public libraries and other institutions that wish to use KOHA as their library system. Some of the URS library personnel attended this orientation and the University started to use KOHA afterwards.

Tanay Campus OPAC Using KOHA



From the basic features of earlier versions, KOHA evolved and its features were enhanced. URS Campus Libraries enjoy newer versions of KOHA. At present, most campus libraries are using version 3.20 and higher. KOHA comes in two interfaces: one for library personnel or the staff interface wherein books and patrons are encoded, and an OPAC (Online Public Access Catalog) for students, faculty and public users. At present, OPAC for the URS library holdings is accessible in computer terminals of

Tanay Campus Library Website

URS Campus Libraries. The OPAC of URS Tanay Campus customized its homepage, and façade of Rizal Hall is featured. Aside from the library collections, users may access the URS Tanay Library webpage and to the subscribed databases of Integrated Philippine E-Library by the quick links found on the URS Tanay Library homepage.

Library Services Accomplishments and Plans Presented in URS Annual Strategic Planning

Anna Gefreliz R. Peñaranda, RL
Librarian, Tanay Campus

Dr. Elvira C. Prieto, Head of Instructional and Library Resources Services, participated in the annual strategic planning workshop with the theme "Global Excellence through International Recognition." It was held on February 17-19, 2016 at the Villa Alfredo's Resort, Brgy. Baliti, San Fernando, Pampanga. She presented the accomplishment of Library Services and the plan to unify the bibliographic records of campus libraries in one OPAC (open public access catalog). She highlighted the major accomplishments of the unit such as installation of DOST-STARBOOK terminals and access to subscribed online databases thru Integrated Philippine eLibrary. In her presentation, she noted that Pililla Campus Library acquired the most number of books in 2015, while Cardona Campus Library has the least number of accumulated library holdings among the campus libraries. She also bragged that Pililla and Tanay Campus Libraries have their own library webpage linked to the URS website.

To add, she pleased the audience with the prepared videos showing the features of KOHA. The video showed searching books using the mobile-friendly OPAC, automated borrowing of books and other features that librarians will utilize in library operations such as cataloging and generating library reports. Dr. Prieto emphasized that URS should adopt KOHA as the integrated library system for the campus libraries so that access to information be more efficient, and to be at par with the current trends of library services.



Dr. Prieto presenting the accomplishments and plans of University Library Services



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FEATURED BOOK

Trees: Their Natural History by Peter A. Thomas

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URS Tanay Campus is the largest URS Campus with an area of 93 hectares. It boasts the forest reserve found inside the campus. It is fitting to acquire books that will equip the members of the campus to maintain and preserve the trees within the campus and inspire them to be one with the environment just in time when global issues on climate change arise.

One of the newly acquired books of URS Tanay Campus Main Library is *Trees: Their Natural History* authored by Peter A. Thomas. The first edition of the book was released in 1999, but the library has only the 2nd edition which was published in 2014 by Cambridge University Press.

The book has 10 chapters. Each chapter thoroughly discussed the different parts of the tree. The author compares tree parts for various types of trees. For example, the size of a cypress leaf is nearly a millimeter long while the foxglove tree has over a meter in length and width. Color illustrations accompany the text to engage a curious reader. As responsible stewards of environment, the author discussed the pollutants and other factors that endanger and kill trees. In the final note of the Peter A. Thomas, he asks, "Are they worth it?" For a tropical country that experiences devastating floods and drought, trees are vital for a better life.