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Pages of Hope: Book Donation Drive by Rotary Club of East Rizal

By: Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez and Verisse Ann B. Salcedo

In a heart-warming initiative to foster literacy and education, the Rotary Club of East Rizal orchestrated a remarkable book donation drive, titled "Pages of Hope," at the URS Morong Library on July 19, 2023.

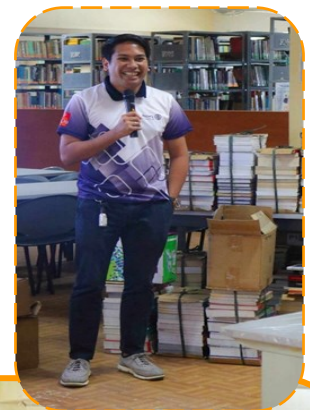
The event garnered significant attention, with esteemed guests including Officers of the Rotary Club of East Rizal, the Vice-President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Allan E. Conde, alongside Dr. Xenia Canale, URS Morong Campus Director and the dedicated personnel from the Library Services Unit in attendance.

The drive aimed to enrich the library's resources and promote a culture of reading within the academic community. Thanks to the generosity of

Rotary Club of East Rizal, countless books found new homes, promising to inspire and empower readers for generations to come.

Dr. Conde expressed his gratitude, highlighting the transformative impact of such initiatives on education and societal development. Dr. Canale echoed her sentiments, emphasizing the importance of access to literature in shaping minds and nurturing a passion for learning.

The event not only symbolized a collaborative effort towards a common goal but also served as a beacon of hope, illustrating the power of community-driven endeavors in creating positive change. As the donated books line the shelves of the URS Libraries, they serve as a testament to the collective goodwill and determination to build a brighter future through education and literacy.



Advancing Education through Collection Development

By Britt Marie J. Luna

The University of Rizal System Library Services Unit demonstrates the realization of the Collection Development Plan through acquisitions of print and non-print resources and the integration of *Open Educational Resources (OERs)* into library management system. The inclusion of printed and digital resources into the library collection aims to provide diverse resources and to keep up with the trends in digital scholarship. This endeavour aims to enrich the accessibility, diversity, and relevance of educational materials for users. By consolidating resources within digital platform, the university reflects its commitment to support vibrant, accessible, and inclusive learning environment. In 2023, The Library Services Unit acquired a total of 993 titles with 1,782 volumes of printed books, 183 eBook titles from Gale ebooks, and 62 titles of journal subscriptions.

NEWLY ACQUIRED PRINTED RESOURCES

<i>Campus</i>	<i>No. of Titles</i>	<i>No. of Volumes</i>
Angono	108	190
Antipolo	100	237
Binangonan	109	179
Cainta	69	116
Cardona	48	84
Morong	189	468
Pililla	103	147
Rodriguez	55	107
Tanay	107	149
Taytay	105	104
Total	993	1,782
Gale Ebooks	183	183

URS Libraries Undergo Transformative Facilities Improvement Initiative

By. Ma. Nessel DJ. Alejandro and Moises SP. Supilanas

The University is committed in providing scholarly resources and facilities to support the academic needs of every learner and researcher across its campus libraries. Recent improvements in library facilities aim to enhance the learning experience and promote academic success. The physical library facility improves to provide quality services to our learners. Cainta and Rodriguez Campus Libraries have installed new air-conditioning units to ensure comfort for learners and staff, especially during hot weather. In the Binangonan Campus, efforts have been made to improve the ambiance by repainting the ceiling and creating a conducive environment for study and research. Meanwhile, Pililla Campus Library installed N-Computing units, which facilitate access to digital resources and technology-assisted learning. Additionally, Pililla Campus has upgraded its facilities by installing a sound-surround system that enhances the audio-visual educational experience.

Moreover, a significant initiative led by the Office of the University Librarian involved the distribution of essential IT and office equipment to ten campus libraries. These include Wi-Fi routers, laminating machines, bookends, extension cords, multi-directional scanners, and steel shelves, further enriching the library resources and services available to students. Furthermore, vertical file cabinets and steel shelves have been purchased and distributed to Morong Graduate School Library, and campus libraries of Cardona, Pililla, Rodriguez, Tanay, and URS Antipolo, Binangonan, Cardona, Rodriguez, and Tanay. These improvements signify that Library Services is dedicated to continually upgrading a conducive learning environment and providing

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Revamping IT Competencies thru In-Service Training on Koha and Library User Database

By: Analyn M. Tanawan & Nida SC. Salvio

In a bid to bolster the efficiency of its operations, the URS Library Services Unit conducted a comprehensive in-service training session last September 7, 2023, commencing at 8:00 am. This training aimed to delve into the intricacies of two pivotal components of library management: Koha, an open-source Integrated Library System (ILS), and Library User Database management. One of the primary objectives of the training was to acquaint participants with the new features of Koha, specifically the Integrated Library System version 11.22 (Rosalie).



The training session was graced by our very own Anna Gefreliz P. Erpelo, whose expertise and insights added significant value to the event. Mrs. Erpelo demonstrated the changes on the platform by providing a walk-through demonstration of each module. A concurrent session for the IT staff for the back-end technical support was conducted by Mr. Marlon



J. Alquiza, an IT staff member previously assigned to the Library Services Unit who handled the technical support of both systems. Koha and the Library User Database stand as the bedrock of the library's day-to-day functioning, facilitating seamless cataloging, circulation, and patron management. Acknowledging their indispensable role, the library took the initiative to equip its staff with the knowledge and skills to harness these tools effectively. The training spanned a diverse range of topics essential for library staff members, encompassing an introduction to Koha, catalog and collection management, circulation policies and procedures, patron management, database maintenance, troubleshooting, and support strategies. Additionally, participants explored avenues for integrating Koha with other library systems and pioneering innovative solutions to enhance service delivery. Inclusivity lay at the heart of this learning endeavor, with the training open to all library staff members irrespective of their skill levels.

Through interactive sessions and collaborative discussions, participants were encouraged to actively engage and draw upon the collective wisdom of their peers. The URS Library Services Unit's commitment to excellence was palpable through its proactive approach to staff training and development. By investing in the continuous professional growth of its workforce, the library reaffirmed its unwavering dedication to delivering exceptional service to its patrons and remaining attuned to the evolving needs of the community.

URS Libraries Received Prestigious Visits from AACCUP and CHED-RQAT

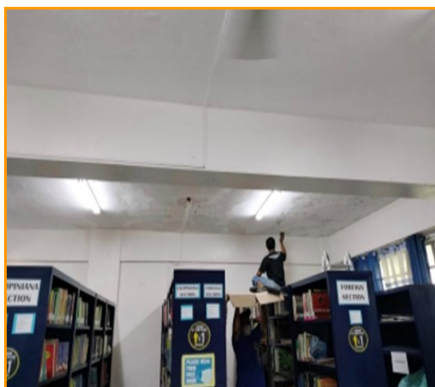
By: Sheila E. Raguine

To ensure excellent services for accessing sensible information, the library plays a significant role in shaping every area of teaching and learning. Therefore, the library subjects itself to accreditation to maintain and continuously improve its quality services. So, what does accreditation mean and why does it matter in our University, especially in the Library Services Department? Accreditation is a process by which external agencies evaluate institutions or educational programs to ensure they meet the predetermined quality standards. These standards encompass different areas such as Faculty, Curriculum, Instruction, Extension, and Library.

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access to quality resources for every learner based on their needs and the changing learning landscapes. By investing in library facilities and equipment across campuses, Library Services aims to support its learners' academic success and holistic development.



**Repainting of Ceiling -
Binangonan Campus**



**1 unit 65" television-URS Pililla
Library (Campus IOB)**



**Installation of Surround Sound
System-Pililla Campus**



**Installation of N-Computing Unit-
Pililla Campus**



**1 unit Air Purifier –Binangonan
Campus (Donations)**



**1 Unit Vertical File Cabinet for Morong Grad
School, Cardona, Pililla, Rodriguez and Tanay.**

READ Extension Program showcased at NREACH Conference

By: Aleili T. Bolire and Rayli P. Martin

The 2023 National Research and Extension Advocacy Conference for Change (NREACH) with the theme "Redesigning Opportunities in Advancing Research and Development and Extension for the iGeneration" was held last November 15-17, 2023 at the Dumagat Hall, URS Tanay, Campus, and Via MS Teams. The Conference aimed to provide a meaningful avenue where scholarly minds can meet and connect for knowledge sharing and partnership in conducting multi-disciplinary collaborative research, extension endeavors, and projects that will benefit the people and their organization. The Research Development and Extension Team players were clarified, inspired, and challenged to advocate and translate research outputs to more meaningful and empowering extension/community development projects.

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In the library, seven areas need to be evaluated; these are: 1) Administration, 2) Staff / Personnel, 3) Collection Management, 4) Physical Facilities, 5) Services and Utilization, 6) Financial Support, and 7) Linkages. These standards serve as a quality assurance mechanism for students, faculty, administrators, and stakeholders, ensuring that the institution adheres to the recognized standards of excellence. Accreditation is important because it assures "quality," the assurance that the University of Rizal System meets the established standards for educational excellence. AACUP (Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines) is an external agency that evaluates the ten campuses of the University of Rizal System.

In the year 2023, there were five (5) campuses underwent Level III Accreditation Survey Visit by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities (AACUP) in the Philippines via virtual visit. These are the following campuses and programs to wit;

In addition, the University submitted its programs to the Centralized On-site Technical visit for the CHED COPC application on February 15, 2023 at URS Morong

COPC is a recognition that the specific degree programs being offered by SUCs are fully compliant with the policies, standards, and guidelines by CHED, to ensure that the existing programs of the SUCs are quality assured.

Campus	Programs	Level	Date
Angono	Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in English, Filipino	Level 3 Phase 2	August 9-11, 2023
	Bachelor in Elementary Education		
	Bachelor of Science in Tourism Management		
	Bachelor of Arts in Journalism (Revisit)	Level 3 Phase 1	August 18, 2023
Antipolo	Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics, Social Studies, English, Filipino	Level 3, Phase 2	September 11-13, 2023
	Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Major in Human Resource Management		
	Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Major in Marketing Management		
	Bachelor of Science in Tourism Management		
	Bachelor of Science in Tourism Management		
Binangonan	Bachelor of Science in Accountancy (Re-Visit)	Level 3, Phase 2	October 23-25, 2023
Morong	Bachelor of Science in Biology	Level 4, Phase 1	August 18, 2023
	Bachelor of Science in Mathematics		
	Bachelor of Science in Psychology		
	Bachelor in Human Services (Bachelor of Science in Guidance & Counseling)		
Tanay	Bachelor of Secondary Education Major in Mathematics	Level 4, Phase 1	August 18, 2023
	Bachelor of Elementary Education		

University of Rizal System Welcomed New Faces to the Library Team

By: Kristina De Leon

Libraries serve as communal spaces where students and faculty gather for study, research, and collaboration. By facilitating access to library resources, they empower their clienteles to explore diverse subjects, conduct scholarly investigations, and deepen their understanding. Librarians and their personnel facilitate connections across various academic disciplines. And by safeguarding institutional memory, along with the university's mission and vision, they ensure that future generations can learn from the past and build upon it. Along with the University of Rizal System's vision to be diverse in human resource development, new librarians and library personnel were added to the Library Services family to continue its mission of producing upright and competent graduates.

First on the list is Ms. Kristina J. De Leon. A product of Polytechnic University of the Philippines with the degree of Bachelor in Library and Information Science, Ms. Tina joined the URS family on July 24, 2023, as the librarian of the Angono campus.

Next is the ever-reliable staff at the Office of the University Librarian from Pililla Campus, Ms. Verisse Ann B. Salcedo. An alumna of URS Pililla with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Major in Human Resource and Development Management, she assumed the position on September 6, 2023. Her previous experience as a student assistant in the campus library for more than half a year has given her the skills needed in providing assistance to our University Librarian.

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At this Conference, the university Librarian, Mrs. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez together with Dr. Jocelyn Gagalang, Director Office of Public Affairs, presented their extension paper "READ: Raising Enthusiastic and Active Dwellers Phase 2: A Community Reading Program for the Townsfolk of Pililla, Rizal." This impactful program was implemented to conduct reading tutorial sessions via blended modalities and establish a community library in Barangay Quisao in Pililla, Rizal. Eleven basic education learners completed the tutorial with the duration of 208 hours with activities such as reading diagnostics, distribution of reading materials (story books and dictionaries) and reading kits (school supplies), and reading tutorial sessions held face-to-face in the months of November-December 2020 at the barangay gymnasium and online via Google Meet during the height of COVID-19 cases. Tutorial sessions ran from Friday to Sunday at the Barangay Quisao SK Youth Learning Hub. The Project has Established a community/ barangay library housing 773 Volumes of Books: 394 of Children's Collection and 379 of Adult Fiction. Overall, it was rated Outstanding by the stakeholders, inspiring us all with its success.



Ms. Martinez, University Librarian together with Dr. Gagalang, Director of Office of Public Affairs presented their extension paper entitled "READ: Raising Enthusiastic and Active Dwellers A Community Reading Program for the Townsfolk of Pililla, Rizal"



Stimulating Linkages thru PAARL Institutional Membership and Koha discussions with PNU Library System

By: Anna Gefreliz P. Erpelo

Library cooperation is a key component of providing access to information regardless of location and institutional thrusts. It is an avenue for collaboration to conduct activities of similar topics and concerns. Establishing and maintaining linkages are viewed by the Library Services Unit as strength and windows of opportunities to improve its services especially in complementing the library collection. The inclusion of the University as an institutional member of the Philippine Association of Academic and Research Libraries with the University Librarian, Mrs. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez as the representative. An institutional member enjoys the rights and privileges of a regular membership and would qualify in the PAARL Innovative Library Design Award. Likewise, the University was included in the 2023 Directory of Institutional Members in the official website of PAARL at <https://directory.paarl.org.ph/members.php>.

Aside from inked linkages, the Library Services also welcomed virtual discussions with the Philippine Normal University Library System via Zoom last April 3, 2024. This was initiated by the leadership of the URS University Librarian and PNU Manila Library Director, Ms. Helen Advincula. The TWG on Enhancement of Information Technology and Online Services of URS and the library personnel PNU library system engaged in their library system attended this afternoon's fruitful discussions. Mrs. Anna Gefreliz P. Erpelo, the Chair of the TWG prepared a short audio-visual presentation as a jump-off of the Koha discussion which highlighted the University's Koha journey and experiences. The slide presentation elicited inquiries from the attendees of the PNU Library System. The virtual round table discussion opened for opportunities for development and enhancement of library services for both institutions.

URS Library Services and Extension Services Unit Join Forces for Accreditation Webinar

By: Vivian A. Lirio and Keanu Nido

Academic libraries play an essential role in supporting institutions' pursuit of excellence. To assist libraries in meeting higher-level accreditation standards, the University of Rizal System (URS) Library Services Unit, in collaboration with the Office of Extension Services, conducted a two-day webinar on "Preparing Libraries of State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) and Private Higher Educational Institutions for Higher Level Accreditation" held via google meet last September 27-28, 2023. It was attended by an overwhelming eight hundred eighty (880) participants from private and government academic institutions.

The webinar aimed to enhance the knowledge and understanding of participants regarding accreditation and parameter statements, capacitate the area members on how to prepare the required documentation and presentations, and identify the best practices that can help in the successful presentation of documents. The webinar started with opening remarks given by Dr. Marites M. Rio, VP for Research Development, Extension and Production, followed by an inspirational message from Dr. Nancy T. Pascual, University President, and a rationale presented by Dr. Fe Esperanza T. Mateo, Extension Services Director. The lecture-discussion sessions are composed of the following:

Topic 1- "Preparing Libraries of State Universities and Colleges for Higher Level Accreditation" presented by Dr. Liza M. Tamargo, University Director for Library Services and Museum of Ifugao State University; and

Topic 2- "Preparing Libraries of Private Institutions for Higher Level Accreditation," presented by Dr. Teresita Hernandez-Calma, Professorial Lecturer, Graduate School, University of Santo Tomas.

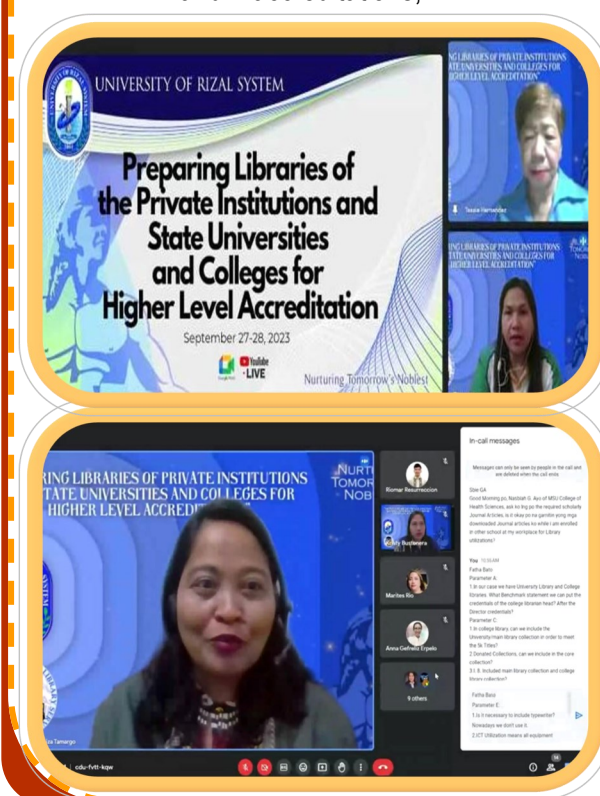
The lectures focused on the complex world of accreditation set by accrediting bodies for SUCs and private institutions. The speakers shared valuable insights and practical advice in understanding and managing accreditation processes. Some of the highlights of the webinar are as follows:

1. the importance of accreditation, wherein the speakers emphasized the significance of higher-level accreditation for libraries, emphasizing how it elevates the quality of educational institutions;
2. accreditation overview, wherein speakers highlighted the step-by-step guides in accreditation processes outlining the essential criteria in documentation requirements for Area 7 (Library), Level 3 and 4 accreditations;

3. and best practices in preparing documents for Area 7, including benchmark statements, effective data consolidation, and continuous improvement strategies.

All sessions ended with an open forum wherein participants raised some questions regarding the challenges in meeting the minimum standards for libraries. These challenges included issues with resource allocation, staff training, and technology integration. To these concerns, the speakers discussed the proper justification and documentation, providing practical solutions and strategies. A closing remarks was also given by the URS University Librarian, Ms. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez. In conclusion, the speakers provided a comprehensive view of library accreditation and its significance. They also emphasized the vital role of accreditation in upholding the quality and credibility of educational institutions. It is not just for compliance requirements but a catalyst for continuous improvement of libraries in SUCs and private institutions. By implementing the knowledge gained from this webinar, participants can strengthen their libraries as centers of learning and research, supporting the overall academic excellence of the institution.

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Originally an IT staff recruit in the wilds of Tanay campus, Mr. Riomar C. Resurreccion became part of the URS Tanay Campus Library Services Unit on August 1, 2023. As a graduate of Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, he already brings skills with regards to enhancement of the library services. He's already involved in inclusive library service projects together with Ms. Regular. He is indeed capable of many things especially when it comes to innovation of the library services.

Regular by surname but not with her credentials, Ms. Micaela Jan H. Regular assumed in office as campus librarian for URS Cainta Campus last October 16, 2023. Ms. Regular is the Chair of the Technical Working Group for inclusive library services. As Chair of the said group, the library had service projects such as adding Alt-Text or Alternative Text to OPAC User Interface Links. Ms. Regular also earned her degree in Library and Information Science from the Polytechnic University of the Philippines.

Librarians and library staff are not just mere custodians of books; they are dynamic facilitators, educators, and collaborators who enrich the university experience. Their dedication ensures that knowledge flows freely, creativity thrives, and academic excellence prevails.

New Library Personnel



Kristina J. de Leon, RL



Micaela Jan H. Regular, RL



Verisse Ann B. Salcedo



Riomar C. Resurreccion

URS Library Conducts Year-end Assessment and Annual Planning Workshop

By: Micaela Jan H. Regular

The URS Library Services Unit gathered for its annual year-end assessment and program planning session at the Morong Campus Library on December 22, 2023. Librarians, Library-In-Charge, and staff from ten campuses came together for this event. The session began with uplifting messages from university leaders, including President Nancy T. Pascual and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Allan E. Conde. The planning sessions started with collaborative brainstorming, where everyone was encouraged to share ideas for upcoming library initiatives. The focus was on aligning activities with the changing needs of patrons, leading to lively discussions covering various topics, from expanding digital resources to community outreach efforts.

Following the productive planning sessions, the URS Library Services Unit took a break to participate in group camaraderie activities. The working committee facilitated these activities as a fun and energizing way for team members to bond and relax after their brainstorming and planning efforts. Ms. Martinez expressed heartfelt gratitude for everyone's support and contributions as the event wrapped up. In summary, the year-end assessment and planning activity celebrated achievements and set a positive tone for collaboration and success in the coming year.



Librarians Embark on Professional Development Journey: PLAI, AACCUP and IQA Training

By: Edith N. Sedutan

Training is a formal process by which talent development professionals help individuals improve their performance at work. Thus, employee training and development will also include activities that help employees acquire new or improve existing knowledge or skills. To further improve and develop the librarian's performance in the University Library Services unit, the URS institution has approved its activities and programs, allowing the attendance of librarians to different trainings, conferences, and professional enhancements for the Academic Year 2023-2024.



Training and conferences such as the Annual Congress of the Philippine Librarians Associations (PLAI) Inc. and different workshops on becoming a new AACCUP Accreditor and an ISO Internal Quality Auditor would be of great help to the institutions as well as the library organizations to be more innovative and agile in the professional field in responding to change and can help with necessary upskilling and reskilling in ensuring that their professions meet the current trends and needs.

The PLAI Congress 2023 was held in SMX Clark Pampanga last November 22-24, 2023, and eight (8) Campus Librarians from the different URS campuses participated in the onsite national librarians annual conference.

The University Librarian and the campus librarian of Pililla, Mrs. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez, spearheaded the PLAI Congress attendance together with Mrs. Anna Gefreliz P. Erpelo, the campus librarian of Tanay; Mrs. Aleili T. Bolire, of Morong together with Prof. Analyn M. Tanawan, High school librarian of Morong; Ms. Vivian A. Lirio, the Campus Librarian of Binangonan; Ms. Sheila E. Raguine, of Antipolo; Mrs. Cherry M. Damiles, the campus librarian of Taytay; and Prof. Edith N. Sedutan, a campus librarian of Rodriguez respectively.



The University Library Services unit was so delightful that three of its personnel were selected to be trained as Internal Quality Auditors for the ISO 9001:2015 standards held last February 23-24, 2023, at Femar Resort and Convention Center, Antipolo City. From right to left were Mrs. Erpelo, Mrs. Damiles, and Ms. Britt Marie Luna, the library-in-charge of the Cardona campus.

Furthermore, the AACCUP Accrediting agency invited institutions for informative and interactive webinar-workshops. These sessions focused on Outcomes-based quality assurance, a crucial aspect of our work, and provided practical guidance on online accreditation. The first part of the training was held last July 24-26, 2023, and the second part took place from August 2-4, 2023. Eighteen (18) URS professors from the different campuses were selected as participants, including Prof. Sedutan.



URS Library Services surpassed ISO 9001:2015 Internal Quality Audit and External Surveillance Audit

By: Mr. Riomar C. Resurreccion



Pursuing to continue to be one of the competent Universities, the University of Rizal System (URS) maintains ISO 9001:2015 Certification this School Year 2022 - 2023. The University strives to be a reputable higher educational institution by subjecting itself to ISO 9001:2015 certification. This certification of Quality Management System adds credibility and signifies that the University adheres with the international standards. The certification is beneficial for the University to embrace its "One URS" brand through the observable synchronized and uniform practices and processes.

The University of Rizal System Library Services unit and its personnel subject itself with the annual Internal Quality Audit to improve current processes and to recognize the commendable efforts done in the past year. Likewise, the Internal Quality Audit served as preparation for the ISO 9001:2015 External Surveillance Audit. Consistently integrating technology, the library unit ensured that all supporting documents were meticulously prepared, and organized in printed and digital formats, facilitating easy access for auditors during inspections. This proves the effectiveness of the unit with regards to preparedness. The library services continuously proved the quality of its process when the Office of the University Library along with the ten Campus Libraries of Angono, Antipolo, Binangonan, Cainta, Cardona, Morong, Pililia, Rodriguez, Tanay, Taytay, participated in an Internal Quality Audit last February to March 2023. The Library Services unit gained favorable audit findings for the Internal Quality Auditors as a result.

The TÜV-Rheinland visited the URS Campuses for the ISO 9001: 2015 External Surveillance Audit last April 27, 2023. The Tanay Campus Library was one of the offices to be visited during the audit. Ms. Rhene Rose Zara, the Audit Team Leader, conducted the audit interview for URS Tanay Campus Library with Ms. Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez and Ms. Anna Gefreliz P. Erpelo as interviewees. Ms. Zara noted the positive observations during the audit and announced during the closing meeting on the following day these commendable efforts and services by the library team. As a result, all campuses received the ISO 9001:2015 certification in the said year after the successful audit.

Philippine eLib Relaunches with URS Chosen as Pilot SUC

By: Anna Minia Lourdes C. Martinez and Josefino A. Belano

In a significant stride towards modernizing academic resources and fostering digital literacy, the relaunch of the Philippine eLib (Electronic Library) brings forth renewed opportunities for learning and research across the nation. Among the selected pilot State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) entrusted with testing the enhanced integrated library system is the esteemed University of Rizal System (URS).

The Philippine eLib, a collaborative project initiated by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and the National Library of the Philippines (NLP), aims to provide seamless access to a vast array of digital resources including e-books, journals, research papers, and more. With its relaunch, the platform promises enhanced functionality, user-friendly interfaces, and expanded content offerings to cater to the diverse needs of students, educators, and researchers.

URS, recognized for its commitment to innovation and academic excellence, stands at the forefront as one of the selected pilot SUCs tasked with testing the efficacy and functionality of the enhanced integrated library system. This pivotal role underscores URS's dedication to leveraging technology to enrich the learning experience and promote scholarly pursuits among its academic community.

Dr. Nancy T. Pascual, University President, expressed her enthusiasm for the partnership, emphasizing the university's unwavering commitment to embracing digital transformation in education.

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Lastly, on behalf of Library Services Unit, we would like to extend our profound gratitude to the Office of Extension Services, to our Lady of Ceremony, Dr. Kristy C. Bustonera, our esteemed speakers and all enthusiastic participants for making our two-day webinar a resounding success. The insightful presentations and lively discussions truly showcased the dedication and expertise of everyone involved. We are grateful for the collaborative effort that made this event both informative and engaging. Participants raised important questions about the challenges and best practices in library accreditation, to which the speakers provided comprehensive answers. We look forward to more future collaborations and providing learning opportunities to our stakeholders and colleagues.

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He noted that the Philippine eLib initiative aligns seamlessly with URS's vision of providing accessible and comprehensive resources to empower students and faculty members in their academic endeavors.

As the pilot testing phase commences, stakeholders eagerly anticipate the insights and feedback garnered from URS and other participating institutions. This collaborative effort underscores the collective commitment towards advancing education through technology and ensuring equitable access to information resources across the Philippine academic landscape.

With URS leading the charge as a pilot SUC, the relaunch of the Philippine eLib heralds a new era of digital scholarship and innovation, paving the way for a more inclusive and interconnected academic community poised to thrive in the digital age.

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Installation of New Air-Conditioned units – Cainta and Rodriguez Campus

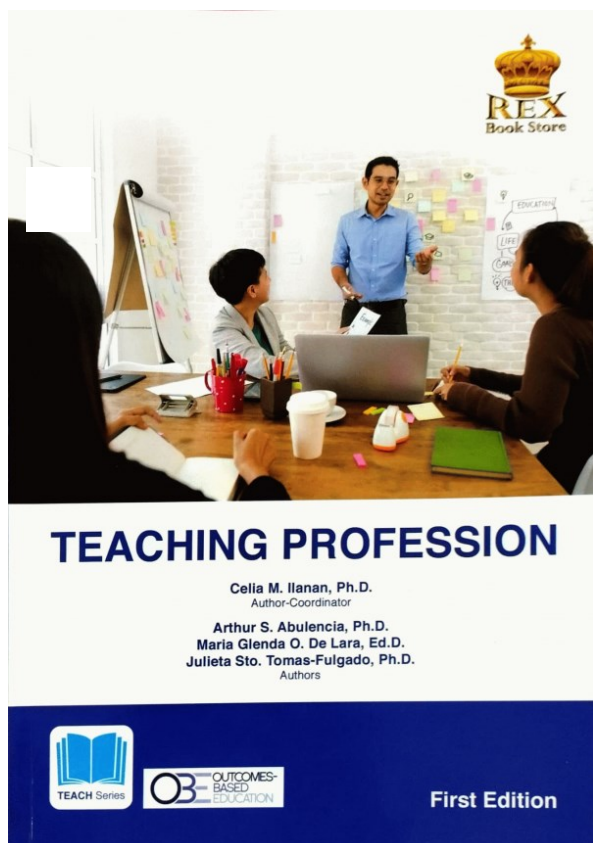
Featured Book

**Teaching Profession by
Celia M. Ilanan, Arthur S. Abulencia, Maria
Glenda O. De Lara, and Julieta Sto. Tomas-
Fulgado**

By: Anna Gefreliz P. Erpelo

The URS Library Services Unit supports the faculty members that publish their scholarly work through acquisition of their publication as part of the library collection. This book "Teaching Profession" is a textbook that supports the professional courses in the field of education. It is a collaborative textbook of esteemed authors, including the University's very own, Dr. Julieta Sto. Tomas-Fulgado, a faculty member and Dean of the College of Education from URS Pililla Campus. The book is currently available in Pililla, Tanay, and Taytay Campus Libraries. Scan the QR Code below to access the bibliographic information found in the University's OPAC.

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