

Topnotcher in CPA board exams

UC's Joselito Japson 9th place

The University of the Cordilleras, formerly Baguio Colleges Foundation has again matched the performance level of the best universities in the country, this time in the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Licensure Examination after Joselito Arguesa Japson garnered 89 percent and was ranked number 9.

The Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) released October 23 the results a day after the last examination day. PRC said Japson was ninth place from 1,597 who passed out of 6,499 examinees in the exams given by the Board of Accountancy this October 2006.

Japson, 21, from Quirino province graduated magna laude graduate last May 2006 and has been a consistent champion in accountancy quiz bees and one of the first recipients of UC College of Accountancy's enhanced curriculum.

UC College of Accountancy Dean, Ramsay Colorado said Japson was a consistent leader and has brought UC championship medals and awards such as Champion in the PICPA quiz bee Baguio-Benguet chapter in 2004 and on the same year led UC to become Regional champion in the Northern Luzon PICPA quiz bee. Japson was also Regional Champion in both the JPIA accounting Quiz bee and the SGV Cup.

Dean Colorado said the UC College of Accountancy has embarked on an en-



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hancement program to upgrade quality education in instruction and facilities. "We do not screen out our enrollees consistent with UC-BCF Founder Benjamin Salvosa's vision of providing quality

education for all."

Colorado said accounting students were provided a wide group discussion room with facilities for group sharing of updates. Faculty members are also regularly updated on accounting principles while students who excel are recognized with COA STARS or Scheme To Award Rising Students.

"We do not believe in leakage so we prepare our students through provision of review materials, updates and open communication lines with the faculty," Colorado said.

UC-BCF home to 142 topnotchers

UC College of Accountancy (UC-COA) now joins UC's legion of topnotchers as fresh graduate Joselito Japson, who placed 9th in the October 2006 CPA Board Examinations, garners the 142nd spot in the still growing number of UC Top Performers.

The entry of Accountancy in the list now completes UC-BCF entry in the legion of topnotchers for all courses offered in UC with licensure examinations, except for newly offered nursing. Recently, Civil Engineering regained prominence with four topnotchers last May 2006.

UC-BCF was ranked with the very top Higher Education Institutions in the country with a track record of 142 graduates in the top 20 performers in licensure examinations.

College of Law Bar Topnotchers is led by Janet B. Abuel 1st place in 1998 which schocked Manila-based top law schools. But UC-BCF was already rated as one of the top ten law schools in the country producing graduates such as the late Arthur E. Galace, 3rd place in 1976, Honorato Y. Aquino-8th place in 1963, Lyssa Pagano-Calde-10th place in 1995, Propero A. Olivasa- 10th place in 1962 and 11 others.

College of Criminal Justice Education made UC as the number one Criminology college in the country according to PRC and CHED standards for the past 19 consecutive times. It produced 73 topnotchers with three first placers namely; Nelson S. Cortez- March 2001, Arthur B. Gubia-on Sept 1999, and Jaime Bawagan Jr. October 1993. Five were honored for second place; Allan Angelo T. Rojo May 2005, Amado Aquino III May 2006, June C. Diwag May 2006, Darwin B. Mangusan August 2004, Jayson R. Peralta September 2001 and Chester King-oo September 1997. Severino Laluan was third place in the September 1999 examinations while 64 others are on the top 20.

College of Engineering and Architecture filled up all their degree offerings with topnotchers. In Civil Engineering, the may 2006 examinations produced four topnotchers placing UC-BCF as number two nationwide in terms of schools with top 20 placers. Mark Loui Ayson Sandoval was 4th place, Melvin Reselva Omotoy was 5th, Eric Baodilla Bautista was 9th place and Francisco Zarate Bilog 11th place. Civil Engineering track record shows Maximo Sang-an, Jr. as 2nd place in 1960, Hermenegildo Manibog ranked 3rd in 1963, Samuel Villanueva 3rd place in 1970, and Theodore Ged-ang 4th place in 1994. Five others are in the rolls of top 20.

Architecture Licensure 100 percent passing rate this January 2006 examinations. UC Architecture produced 7 in the top 20 led by Warren Flores at 3rd place in 1999, Ray Piluden 9th place in 2004 and five others. Geodetic Engineering Licensure produced Marvin Mayos as 2nd place in 1998 and another 2nd place Hubert Dati in 1995. Albert Espiritu was 4th place in 2001 and another 4th place Edgardo D. Jacildone in 1997. Six others are in the top 20 list. Sanitary Engineering Licensure produced seven top 20 led by Rene Aliba who was 2nd place in the 2003 examinations. Jacqueline Tudlong was 4th place in 1996, Rhodora Debnas 6th place in 2002 and Raul Cubangay 7th place in 1996.

College of Teacher Education produced 13 top 20 examinees since 1955. Six UC-BCF graduates garnered first place namely; Sonia M. Aplosen-Daos 1976, Edilberto Dizon 1969, Merlita C. Tabas 1968, Terecita R. Ramolete 1967, Imelda Basil-Zabala 1962 and Hilda Dongail-Tadaoan 1955.

ICT-Industry mismatch studied

BATAC, Ilocos Norte - "There is a possible mismatch between Information and Communication Technology (ICT) graduates and the demands of industries global trends", two professors of the University of the Cordilleras said.

Dr. Felipe Pati Jr., Area Head of UC's College of Information and Computing Sciences (UC-CICS) and UC Research Director, Dr. Alfred-Jose Herbolario joined other researchers from all over Northern Luzon to finalize their collaborative research which started in July. The research is a Graduate Assessment Study in the Ilocos, Cagayan

and Cordillera regions initiated by the Commission on Higher Education Zonal Research Center in Batangas, Ilocos Norte.

"With the growing demand of ICT graduates in the industry, it is really imperative that academic programs and curricula be focused on ICT. This will improve the employment status of graduates especially in Regions 1, 2 and CAR," said Dr. Pati.

UC-CICS, one of the 18 higher education institutions that will implement the project was awarded by CHED as Center for Development of Excellence in Northern Luzon.

Correctional justice experts brief students

Experts on correctional justice brief future jail officers and law enforcers of the UC College of Criminal Justice Education (UC-CCJE) October 20 as part of UC strategy in exposing students to field realities.

In a seminar-forum held at the UC campus, Parole and Probations officers led by Baguio head Gregorio Aberin, a former UC professor, related the strengths and weaknesses of Philippine correctional justice system as he enjoined the future law enforcement officers to become solutions to society's problems.

The graduating police interns together with 2nd year criminology students enrolled in the class Corrections I and some history students were made aware of the

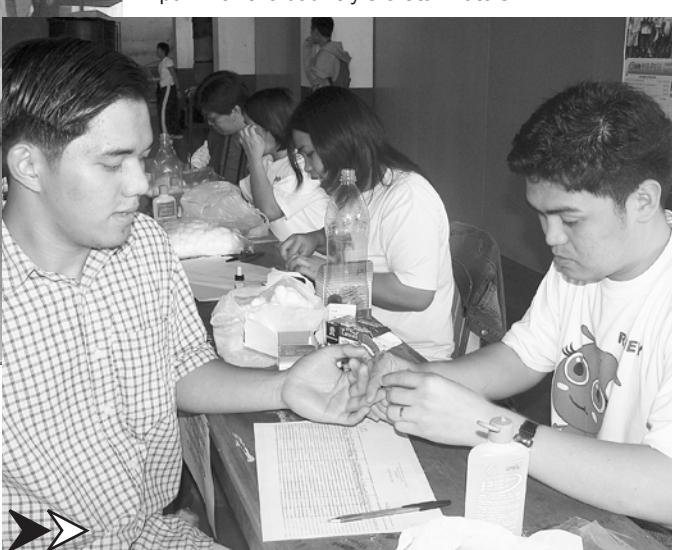
sorry state of the nation's jails and prisons. "Before they join the ranks of the police, our students should have an idea of the realities and problems in the real world and should be strengthened by a moral compass," said Mr. Warren Corpuz, CCJE faculty.

The seminar focused on the Probation Law (PD 968) which is a solution to decongest prisons and jails and help unclog court dockets. It was a follow-up of the seminar on Juvenile Justice or RA 9344 which exempts minors below 15 years of age from criminal liability. The participants also listened to a testimonial by a member of the Alcoholics Anonymous who advised them to stay away from alcohol since it induces criminal behavior.



OOZING RED. UC Supreme Student Government President Ian Capiz (left) leads hundreds of other students in the Free Blood-Typing Service by Red Cross. Knowing one's blood type is important especially in case of accidents or medical emergencies where each one may be a blood donor or recipient.

SPIC and SPAN. At UC, the recognized Cleanest and Greenest School in Baguio and awarded as CAR's Healthy School, student janitors are key implementors of the 5S Philosophy. 5S, which stands for Sort, Set in order, Shine, Standardize and Sustain is the university's secret to being at par with the country's 5-star hotels.



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