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Saint Louis University

Sustains its Commitment to Partnerships Internationally, Nationally, and Locally to Address SDG-related Concerns



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



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Saint Louis University

Relationships with Regional NGOs and Government for SDG Policy



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



SLU Inks in the Republic Act 11713, in Pursuit of National Excellence in Teacher Education

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Saint Louis University, through its Vice President Felina P. Espique, a Teacher Education Council (TEC) Regular Member representing the Luzon area of the Philippines, participated in the enacting of a State law to ensure the enhancement of quality education and training of teachers nationwide through implementing the Excellence in Teacher Education Act (or Republic Act 11713) recently passed by the Department of Education (DepEd). Additionally, as a TEC Luzon representative she monitors the implementation of the rules and regulations in the region.





SLU President Advances Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP) as Trustee

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The Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP) appointed SLU President Rev. Fr. Gilbert B. Sales, CICM, PhD, as <u>Regional Trustee from the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)</u> during the CEAP-CAR Council meeting on 11 January 2023, affirming the University's pursuit towards quality education. Fr. Sales' role is crucial in guiding CEAP's policy-making process for enhancing and supporting the educational activities of Catholic Institutions, such as those that promote environmental preservation and the development of lesson exemplars for promoting Justice, Peace, Ecological Integrity, Engaged Citizenship, Gender Equality, Youth Empowerment, Media Education and Huwag-Magnakaw (JEEPGY-ME-HKM) advocacies of CEAP, and initiating the conduct of trainings for teachers in the region. He heads CEAP-CAR's efforts to achieve United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.





SLU participates in Climate Change book launch

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The CICM and Saint Louis University (SLU) had a long-standing record of being a strong ally and promoter of Environmental Preservation,



SLU initiates preparation of JEEPGY-ME-HKM Lesson Exemplars

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Saint Louis University, through the leadership of Rev. Fr. Gilbert B. Sales, CICM, initiated the preparation of the Lesson Exemplars for



SLU and CEAP-CAR Sponsor Seminar-Workshop for In-Service Teachers

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In partnership with CEAP-CAR, Saint Louis University through Rev. Fr. Gilbert B. Sales,



SLU Works Jointly with the City Local Government as Core Physical and Technical Working Group

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Saint Louis University works hand in hand with the City Government of Baguio in the preparation of a multi-sectoral development plan by providing support and assistance. The University President is invited to be a part of the Core Physical Technical Working Group as stated in the Baguio City Executive Order No. 20 Series of 2022 signed by the City Mayor in February 10, 2022.





EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20, SERIES OF 2022.

CREATING AND MOBILIZING THE CITY PLANNING TEAM (CPT) FOR THE UPDATING OF THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN (CLUP) AND COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CDP), DESIGNATING ITS COMPOSITION, ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160 (RA 7160), or *The Local Government Code of 1991*, mandates Local Government Units (LGUs) to prepare and update a Comprehensive Development Plan that outlines the key goals and objectives, challenges and concerns facing LGUs and a set of programs, projects and policies to attain its vision and mission towards a sustained socio-economic development;

WHEREAS, RA 7160, and Executive Order No. 72, s. 1993 provide that LGUs shall, in conformity with existing laws, continue to prepare their respective Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUP) enacted through Zoning Ordinances (ZO) which shall be the primary and dominant bases for the future use of land resources;

6. Climate Change Adoption/Disaster Risk Reduction:

a. Core Technical Working Group

- Chairperson-SP Committee on Health and Sanitation, Ecology, and Environmental Protection;
- ii. Chairperson-SP Committee on Barangay Affairs.
- iii. City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Officer;
- iv. City Environment and Parks Management Officer;
- v. Health Services Officer;
- vi. City Planning and Development Coordinator;
- vii. CMO-Community Affairs Officer;
- viii. City Planning and Development Office-Technical Team;
- ix. Regional Director, Office of the Civil Defence;
- x. City Environment and Natural Resources Officer (CENRO-DENR);
- xi. President, University of the Cordilleras;
- xii. President, Saint Louis University
- xiii. President, University of Baguio;
- xiv. President, University of the Philippines; and
- xv. President, Baguio Central University.

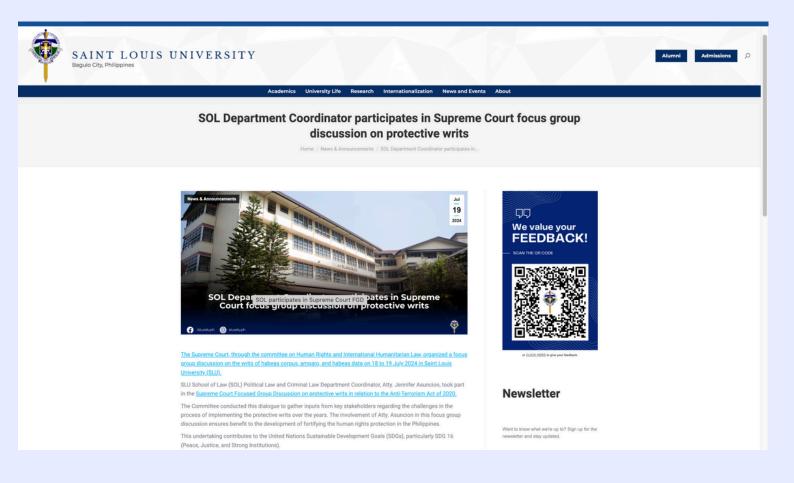


SLU School of Law Participates in Supreme Court Focus Group Discussion on Protective Writs

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Saint Louis University, through the School of Law (SOL) Political Law and Criminal Law Department Coordinator, Atty. Jennifer Asuncion, took part in the Supreme Court Focused Group Discussion on protective writs. The Supreme Court, through the committee on Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, organized a focus group discussion on the writs of habeas corpus, amparo, and habeas data on 18 to 19 July 2024 in Saint Louis University (SLU). The Committee conducted this dialogue to gather inputs from key stakeholders regarding the challenges in the process of implementing the protective writs over the years. The involvement of Atty. Asuncion in this focus group discussion ensures benefit to the development of fortifying the human rights protection in the Philippines.





SLU School of Law Dean is Part of Legal Education Board Technical Working Group (TWG)

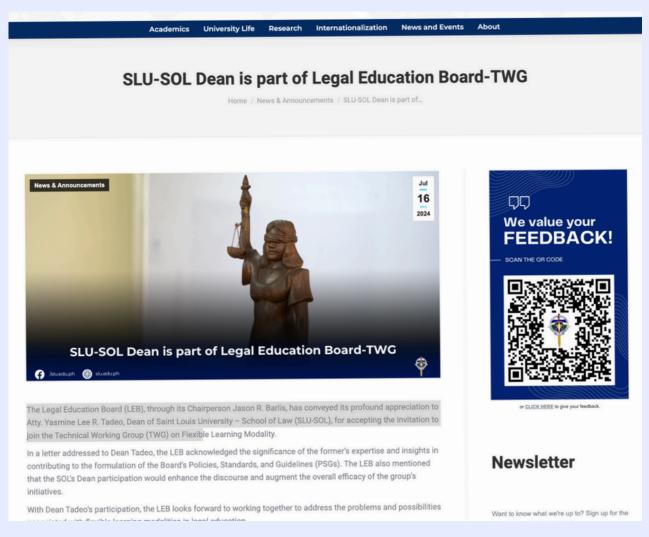
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Saint Louis University in partnership with the Legal Education Board (LEB), through its Chairperson Jason R. Barlis, has conveyed its profound appreciation to Atty. Yasmine Lee R. Tadeo, Dean of Saint Louis University – School of Law (SLU-SOL), for accepting the invitation to join the Technical Working Group (TWG) on Flexible Learning Modality. With Dean Tadeo's participation, the LEB looks forward to working together to address the problems and possibilities associated with flexible learning modalities in legal education. This undertaking manifests Saint Louis University's commitment not only to the continuous enhancement of legal education but also to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly Quality Education (SDG 4) and Partnerships for the Goals (SDG 17).





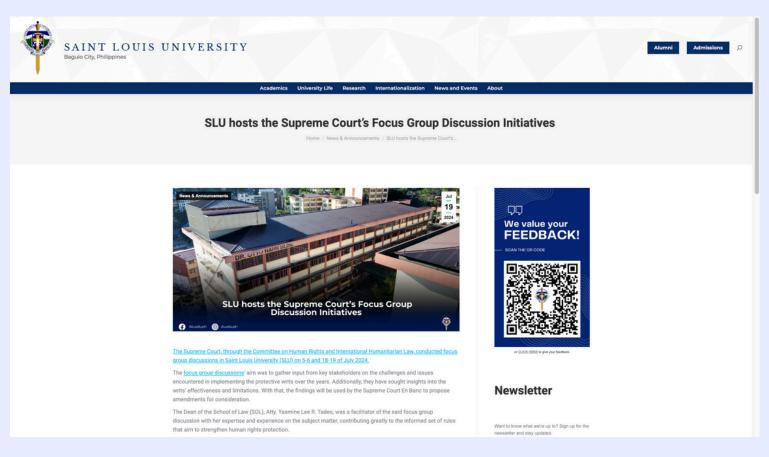
SLU Participates in the Supreme Court's Focus Group Discussion Initiatives

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Saint Louis University in partnership with the Supreme Court, through the Committee on Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, conducted focus group discussions in Saint Louis University (SLU) on 5-6 and 18-19 of July 2024. The Dean of the School of Law (SOL), Atty. Yasmine Lee R. Tadeo, was a facilitator of the said focus group discussion with her expertise and experience on the subject matter, contributing greatly to the informed set of rules that aim to strengthen human rights protection. These efforts done by SLU in collaboration with government organizations in addressing the challenges and propose solutions for the implementation of protective writs highlights the University's commitment to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals #16 (Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions) and #17 (Partnerships for the Goals).





AUN-QA Accepts SLU as Associate Member

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Saint Louis University, is now an official Associate Member university of the ASEAN University Network – Quality Assurance (AUN-QA). The ASEAN University Network-Quality Assurance (AUN-QA) Council confirmed and accepted Saint Louis University as an AUN-QA Associate Member effective 13 June 2023 after fulfilling all requirements needed for AUN-QA Associate Membership. This milestone was made official through the acceptance letter dated 29 August 2023 received by SLU President, Rev. Fr. Gilbert B. Sales, CICM on 12 September 2023 through electronic mail. Through SLU's involvement in the AUN-QA convocation, it continues to concretize the CICM Advocacies on Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation (JPIC) and UNSDGs, particularly SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 17 (Partnership for the Goals).





As AUN-QA Assessors from SLU, Mr. Martin and Dr. Gutierrez attended the AUN-QA International Conference (AUN-QA IC) 2023 from 6 to 7 September 2023 and the AUN-QA Assessors' General Assembly (AUN-QA AGA) on 7 September 2023, held at The Berkeley Hotel Pratunam, Bangkok, Thailand.



Hector L. Martin, Director of the Office of Institutional Development and Quality Assurance (OIDQA) and Dr. Joselito C. Gutierrez, Executive Assistant to the SLU President at the AUN QA International Conference





Succeeding the AUN-QA IC, SLU AUN-QA Assessors Mr. Martin and Dr. Gutierrez also participated in the AUN-QA AGA, an assembly that served as a platform for the gathering of official AUN-QA Assessors to meet, discuss, and share information and good practices for future AUN-QA Operations. The half-day program was an intensive and thorough open dialogue to facilitate interaction among assessors and experts.





SLU Proposes Sustainability Initiatives Geared Towards Eco-Consciousness

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https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1213266

Saint Louis University came up with the proposal during a city government-initiated event on eco-consciousness and sustainability lecture for college student-leaders from different universities in the city. SLU students proposed to make every Monday "Earth Day" on campus, where various initiatives geared towards protecting the environment will be undertaken. This includes shutting off lights and other electricity-consuming gadgets from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m., a 15-minute daily technology break to encourage socialization, establishment of bike parking areas for students and teachers, use of compost bins to produce compost soil for vertical gardens; and donation drive for used school uniform and education materials, including gadgets, to benefit younger students. Furthermore, they also proposed that each student bring their cutlery, food container, and water canister to avoid generating garbage of plastic or styro-based food packaging not just on Mondays but regularly as a contribution to the environmental protection and preservation initiative.



Refuerzo said the students also suggested home-based environmental measures that include the mandatory

bag labelling of segregated garbage, home gardens in compost bins, rainwater collection for household use, and the use of eco-friendly packaging materials such as woven leaves and homemade baskets instead of the plastic shopping bags, and installation of drinking fountains in villages for convenience and to minimize the use of bottled water.

The other proposals include the conduct of studies on starch and fish scales conversion to bio-plastics; use of activated charcoal for water filtration, anthocyanin from onion skin as edible food wraps to detect food spoilage, banana peelings as fire retardant, betel nut husk as adsorbent for chemicals, and biotech enzyme to degrade plastics for conversion into energy; and conversion of plastic and rubber wastes into asphalt, tin can into wheelchair or other household items.

She said the students will also start a petition for the adoption of their zero-waste activities in the communities.

The SLU leg of the lecture series is the last for the five academic institutions and was attended by about 400 student leaders.

The lecture series started last July and has tapped SLU, University of Baguio, University of the Cordilleras, Baguio Central University, and the University of the Philippines-Baguio.

"Each event produced different proposals and suggestions from students who came up with home, school, and community-based environmental protection schemes, projects, and proposals for possible adoption," Refuerzo added. (PNA)

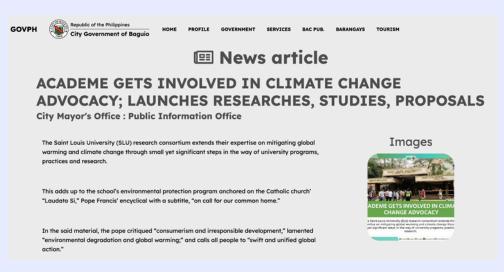


SLU Launches Research, Environmental Advocacies, and Climate Change Proposals

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https://new.baguio.gov.ph/news/academe-gets-involved-in-climate-change-advocacy-launchesresearches-studies-proposals

Saint Louis University is expanding its knowledge in addressing global warming and climate change by implementing essential changes in university programs, practices, and research. This contributes to the school's environmental protection initiative based on the Catholic church's "Laudato Si," Pope Francis' encyclical subtitled "On Caring for our Shared Home. "In SLU, sustainable development goals are being pursued through institutional practices like carless days and earth hours, promoting meatless days for health, increasing green spaces in offices, and including ecological prayers in ceremonial activities.





ACADEME GETS INVOLVED IN CLIMATE CHANGE ADVOCACY

The Saint Louis University (SLU) research consortium extends their expertise on mitigating global warming and climate change through small yet significant steps in the way of university programs, practices and research.

The researches were reported during the LGU-sponsored lecture series on eco-consciousness and technology, where resource persons are from the City Planning, Development And Sustainability; and City Environment and Parks Management Offices; Eco and Zero -Waste advocacy groups; Health and Sanitation, Ecology and Environmental Concerns with chairperson Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda and other concerned offices. - JGF



SLU's Commitment to SDGs: Aligning to Laudato Si's Action Plans for Global Sustainability 2022-2029

Published Laudato Si Action Platform Website

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Saint Louis University, plays an active and vital role in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through its Sustainable Development Goals Center (SDGC), aligning its efforts with the Catholic Church's broader mission and Laudato Si's environmental and social justice teachings. The SDG activities were turned in to the Laudato Si Action Platform in the Vatican City as Laudato Si Action Plan for 2022-2029.

The university integrates SDG principles into its academic programs, ensuring that students and faculty are equipped to address global challenges related to sustainability, human dignity, and ecological protection. Through the SLU-Binnadang program, a collaborative initiative grounded in the Kankana-ey term for cooperation, the university engages the entire community, students, faculty, and external partners in collective action toward achieving the SDGs. This approach fosters a culture of collaboration, promotes awareness of sustainable practices, and supports adaptive management by monitoring and reporting the outcomes of various initiatives. In this lens, the SLU is directly and indirectly involved in international and national government policy development, which promotes the SLU's commitment to the SDGs and significantly contributes to local and global efforts to tackle pressing sustainability challenges.

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