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SLU and Catholic Kwandong University International St. Mary's Hospital forge collaboration for global healthcare innovations

To formally establish collaborations in medical innovations, healthcare leadership, and compassionate service, Saint Louis University (SLU), through its President, Rev. Fr. Gilbert B. Sales, CICM, PhD, and Catholic Kwandong University- International St. Mary's Hospital (CKU ISMH), through its President and CEO, Rev. Fr. Dong-Hyun Go, forged a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on 19 March 2026.

The ceremonial MOU signing, held at CKU ISMH in Gangwon-do, South Korea, further sealed the partnership between SLU Sacred Heart Medical Center (SLU SHMC) and CKU ISMH in joint healthcare initiatives. Among the witnesses to the signing were SLU SHMC Medical Center Chief Dr. Paul Adlai Quitiquit and Campus Planning, Maintenance & Security Department Director, Mr. Jeffrey James Gamit.

SLU will engage in various benchmarking activities while in Gangwon-do, South Korea. The MOU emphasized international cooperation, promoting the shared mission of innovating medical education, clinical training, research, and global health initiatives, while also strengthening the commitment to serve the poor and marginalized.



“As an international hospital, we believe that global collaboration is essential to advancing healthcare and nurturing future medical leaders. Through this partnership, we look forward to building a strong and lasting relationship that benefits our students, healthcare professionals, and most importantly, the patients we serve. May this partnership grow into a meaningful journey of collaboration and healing,” Rev. Fr. Go announced on his social media feed highlighting the shared mission of SLU-SHMC and CKU ISMH in education, healing, and service.



Meanwhile, SLU, through its SHMC, remains firm with its commitment to continue innovating the facilities and services of the Medical Center in pursuit of its core mission to provide compassionate healthcare not only to Louisians, but to the public in general.



Aligned with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 3 (Good Health and Well-Being), 10 (Reduced Inequalities), and 17 (Partnerships for the Goals), the MOU signing strengthens SLU’s ongoing global healthcare engagements, such as prior agreements and partnerships with international medical centers and facilities like the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, as well as Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium and Bang Chalong Health Promotion Hospital, Thailand for medical internship student exchanges.



Saint Louis University and Huachiew Chalermprakiet University, Thailand: Advancing Health Professions Education through Global Collaboration

Saint Louis University (SLU) advances Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being through sustained international collaboration that strengthens health professions education, professional development, knowledge exchange, and the preparation of a globally competent health workforce. A significant example is SLU's continuing partnership with Huachiew Chalermprakiet University (HCU), Thailand, which has evolved into a multifaceted collaboration involving student mobility, experiential learning, research and academic exchange, and international health-professions seminars.

The SLU–HCU partnership generated several activities directly contributing to health education and workforce development. In March 2026, Pharmacy students from SLU participated in HCU's Student Mobility and Cultural Immersion Program, gaining international academic and professional exposure. The mobility also included experiential learning in pharmaceutical practice, including exposure to pharmaceutical manufacturing, quality control, validation, and regulatory processes. Students from SLU's Medical Laboratory Science and Medical Biology programs likewise participated in HCU student mobility activities in June–July 2026, extending the collaboration across multiple health-related disciplines.



Beyond student mobility, HCU and SLU also facilitate continuing international knowledge exchange for faculty and students. On 25 June 2026, SLU's School of Nursing, Allied Health, and Biological Sciences (SONAHBS), in collaboration with HCU, conducted the international lecture seminar "Healthcare Reimagined: Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Human Connection." The seminar brought international experts from Thailand to SLU to engage faculty members and students from Allied Health and Biological Sciences programs across the CICM Philippine Schools Network. Topics included humanizing pedagogy in health sciences, compassion and meaningful learning, healthcare entrepreneurship, innovation, and the development of skills for future health professionals.





Through these sustained activities, Saint Louis University contributes to SDG 3 not only by educating health professionals but also by connecting its faculty and students with international expertise, promoting innovation in health education, strengthening professional competencies, and fostering collaboration across health systems and cultures. The continuing SLU–HCU partnership exemplifies how international cooperation can contribute to the development of a responsive, innovative, compassionate, and globally oriented health workforce capable of contributing to Good Health and Well-being locally, nationally, and globally.



Saint Louis University: Building a Stronger Philippine Health Workforce through Institutional Partnerships and Collaboration

Saint Louis University (SLU) actively strengthens the Philippine health sector by forging meaningful partnerships with other universities and health-professions institutions. These collaborations demonstrate SLU's commitment not only to excellence within its own academic programs, but also to sharing expertise, learning from institutional best practices, and collectively advancing the quality of health professions education in the Philippines.

A strong example is SLU's engagement with De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences Institute (DLSMHSI). On 12 March 2026, DLSMHSI administrators and academic leaders visited SLU in Baguio City for a benchmarking activity focused on the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Technology and related medical imaging programs. The engagement brought together academic leaders from both institutions to exchange practices in curriculum design, teaching and learning strategies, assessment, and preparation for professional licensure examinations. DLSMHSI also presented its Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology program, opening discussions on potential future areas of academic collaboration. DLSMHSI described the activity as strengthening institutional linkages, promoting innovation in medical imaging and therapy, and contributing to the advancement of healthcare education in the country.

(Source: https://www.dlsmhsi.edu.ph/learning-from-the-north-a-benchmarking-activity-at-st-louis-university)



Similarly, SLU served as a benchmarking partner for Notre Dame of Marbel University (NDMU). On 11–12 February 2026, NDMU's Department of Medical Technology visited Baguio City to benchmark its program with SLU, recognized by NDMU as a top-performing Medical Technology school. The engagement provided an avenue for sharing academic practices, program management approaches, and strategies to strengthen Medical Technology education and professional preparation.

(Source: https://www.ndmu.edu.ph/post/notre-dame-of-marbel-university-strengthens-academic-excellence-in-medical-technology-through-benchm)



These engagements illustrate an important dimension of SLU's institutional mission: partnership is viewed not simply as affiliation, but as a mechanism for mutual learning and collective improvement. SLU opens its academic expertise and institutional practices to peer institutions while simultaneously learning from their innovations and emerging programs. Through benchmarking, professional dialogue, curriculum exchange, and exploration of future programs, SLU contributes to a culture of continuous improvement across Philippine health-professions education.



The collaborations with DLSMHSI and NDMU also demonstrate SLU's ability to serve as a regional and national academic partner in developing competent, innovative, and practice-ready health professionals. By connecting institutions from different regions of the Philippines, from Baguio in Northern Luzon to Dasmariñas and South Cotabato, SLU helps build networks that transcend geographic boundaries and strengthen the country's health education ecosystem.

SLU and the Cordillera Regional Health Research & Development Consortium: Building Healthier Communities through Research, Ethics, and Collaboration

Saint Louis University (SLU) demonstrates its commitment to SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being by actively strengthening health research capacity through its partnership with the Cordillera Regional Health Research and Development Consortium (CRHRDC). A concrete example is SLU's hosting of the Basic Research Ethics Training on 5–6 November 2025, conducted with CRHRDC, DOST-CAR, and the Philippine Health Research Ethics Board. The activity brought together universities, hospitals, government health agencies, and professional organizations from across the Cordillera.

Beyond hosting the activity, SLU provided a platform for shared learning and capacity building in ethical health research, covering protection of research participants, responsible data collection, research governance, and ethical standards. By strengthening the ability of researchers and health institutions to conduct responsible, evidence-based research, SLU contributes to generating knowledge that can inform better health policies, practices, and interventions.
This collaboration reflects SLU's broader commitment to building a stronger and more connected Philippine health ecosystem. Through CRHRDC, SLU brings together academe, healthcare institutions, government, and researchers—demonstrating that advancing Good Health and Well-being is a shared responsibility strengthened through partnership, knowledge exchange, and collective action.

Source: https://www.slu.edu.ph/2025/11/06/slu-hosts-basic-research-ethics-training-2025/



SLU collaborates with the Philippine Heart Association (PHA)-CAR chapter and the Philippine College of Occupational Medicine (PCOM) Baguio-Benguet Chapter: Hands-on CPR Training

In line with the observance of the 2025 National CPR Day, Saint Louis University (SLU), through the Health Services Unit–Medical Clinic (HSU), conducted a hands-on cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training on 20 August 2025 at the SLU Prince Bernhard (PB) Gym, SLU Main Campus. The activity was held in two sessions—one in the morning for employees and another in the afternoon for students—aimed at promoting life-saving knowledge and skills among both groups at the University.

Anchored on the theme “A CPR Ready Philippines: Where Knowledge and Skills Save Lives,” the training underscored SLU’s continuing mission to educate and empower Louisians with vital health and safety skills. The program was held in collaboration with the Philippine Heart Association (PHA)-CAR chapter and the Philippine College of Occupational Medicine (PCOM) Baguio-Benguet Chapter. The event emphasized the importance of hands-only CPR and immediate response in emergencies. It also served as a call to action, encouraging Louisians to become confident lifesavers in their homes, workplaces, and communities.

By spearheading this initiative, SLU reinforced its commitment to ensuring that its community is equipped with essential life-saving skills. This directly contributed to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 3: Good Health and Well-Being, 4: Quality Education, and 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities, especially by fostering a culture of preparedness, resilience, and safety.

Source: https://www.slu.edu.ph/2025/08/20/slu-conducts-hands-on-cpr-training-for-employees-and-students/





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