

The Way to Go ...

Strengthening University-Industry Partnerships: The Case of the UPLB College of Agriculture Satellite Campus in Mindanao, Philippines

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Introduction

- The University as source of science-based knowledge and information.
- Challenges in the agriculture sector.
- The changing role of the academe.
- The changing role of agri-based industry.



University-Academe Partnership

- Research and Development (R&D) as joint undertaking
- Licensing and technology transfer
- Support for spin-off companies
- On-the-Job training

Current Programs on UPLB-Industry Partnership

- Scholarship and Professorial Lecture
- Technology Business Incubation
- ☑ Bio-efficacy Tests and Research



The UPLBCA Satellite Campus in Mindanao, Philippines



Why in Mindanao?

- One-third of Mindanao's land area is devoted to agriculture.
- Considered as the Philippines' "food basket."
- Supplies 40% of the country's food requirements.
- Contributes more than 30% to national food trade.



Why in Mindanao?

- Considered as a significant contributor to the Philippines total agricultural output.
- Endowed with rich natural resources, Mindanao has a strong agri-industrial economy.
- Must be supported with innovations and programs that will ensure high productivity and employment opportunities.



Why in Mindanao?

One of the major interventions to address improvement in agricultural productivity and sustainability in Mindanao:

To intensify promotion of agriculture, fishery and forestry (AFF) and natural resources-related courses and maximize utilization of national programs relative to AFF and natural resources human capital build-up.



Project Partner

- ANFLO Management and Investment Corporation (ANFLOCOR) - a reputable agri-based and realty company.
- Generally engaged in agriculture with the Tagum Development Corporation (TADECO) as flagship company.
- Started with abaca in the 1950s.
- Phased out abaca in 1968.



Project Partner

- Planted cavendish banana in 1971 and started exporting to Japan.
- Now the largest contiguous banana plantation in the world with over 6,576 hectares of land planted to banana, employing 103,000 workers.



Project Partner

ANFLOCOR's other companies engaged in:

- Packaging
- Trucking
- Container terminal and brokerage
- Joint venture with DM International
- Production of animals, fruits, vegetables and other high value crops



Overall Objective

To provide high quality agriculture education to students in Mindanao and to support human resource development in agriculture in the Region.



Specific Objectives

- Serve as catalyst for creating opportunity for collaboration in research and training programs between the academe and the industry;
- 2. Create entrepreneurial opportunities through the offering of appropriate education and training programs;



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- 3. Perform leadership role in plantation economy and provide support to local agriculture industries;
- Generate new knowledge and technologies through inter-disciplinary research programs;



Specific Objectives

- 5. Strengthen research cooperation between the academe and industry stakeholders;
- Offer relevant curricular and specialized short- and long-term duration training programs; and
- 7. Upgrade manpower skills through continuing education program.



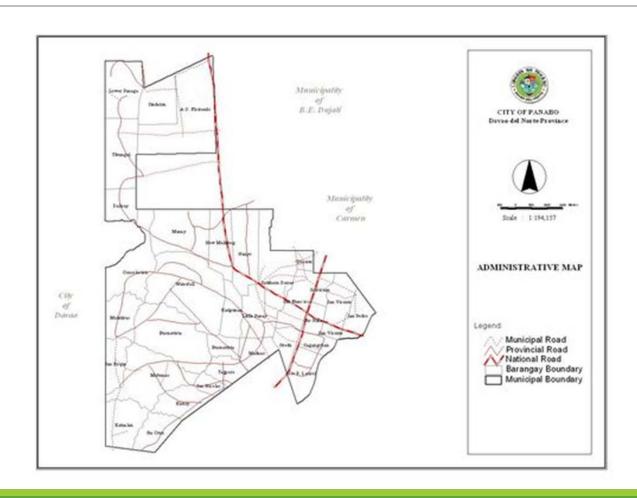
The satellite campus is located in Panabo City, Davao del Norte Province – a growth point and vibrant development center in the Region.

ANFLOCOR donated a portion of its landholdings in favor of the UPLB.



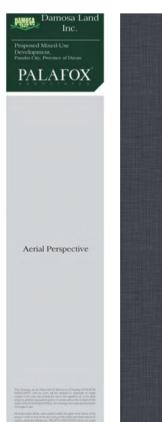












Panoramic view of the site for the satellite campus.







Academic Program Offering

- Initial offering: a Graduate Program leading to MS Entomology to be offered Second Semester 2014-2015
- Mode: Off-Campus
- In 2016-2017: offering of the BS Agriculture Program



Sample Program Structure (Graduate Degree)

Week	Course to be offered	Lecture	
		Topics to be Covered	No. of Hours/ Weekend
1	ENT 251	The Science of Ecology: A critical review	6
		Understanding the scientific process and how it is used in addressing ecological problems: Insect pest management as applied ecology	
2	ENT 251	An evolutionary approach in understanding ecological theories	- 6
		A critical analysis of underlying principles in adaptation to understand the ecology of insects	
3	ENT 251	A critical analysis of theories in host plant use by insects: An evolutionary view to understanding the ecological principles in insect pest - plant interaction	6
4	ENT 251	An antecological approach to insect pest management: Alternative to the demographic and community approaches	6



Postscript

- Establishing a satellite College of Agriculture campus in Mindanao will mean being responsive to a community of diverse interests.
- It will not only provide higher education opportunities to students but will also provide life-long learning opportunities to business constituents of the Province and those seeking specialized training.
- It will allow UP to strengthen its institutional footprint in the Region.



THANK YOU!