



**UNIVERSITY OF  
NUEVA CACERES**  
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# EXECUTIVE

## APRIL 2025 PAGE



As I celebrate another year of life, I am filled with deep gratitude for the UNC community—your heartfelt greetings, thoughtful tributes, and sincere prayers have truly touched me. Thank you for the love and joy you have shared, and for the continued support that strengthens our journey together.

This season also marks a milestone for many of our students across all levels. From our young learners in the Early Childhood Center to our proud graduates in Senior High School, we celebrate each Moving-Up and Graduation Rite as a victory of perseverance, growth, and shared dreams.

To our dear students, this is a powerful chapter in your journey. You have shown that with resilience and determination, **makakapagtapos kayo, makakapagtrabaho, at magtatagumpay**. Your success is not just a personal achievement; it is a promise of a brighter future for your families and your communities.

To the parents, guardians, teachers, and deans, your sacrifices, guidance, and love have made these victories possible. Thank you for walking hand in hand with us in shaping future-ready UNCians.

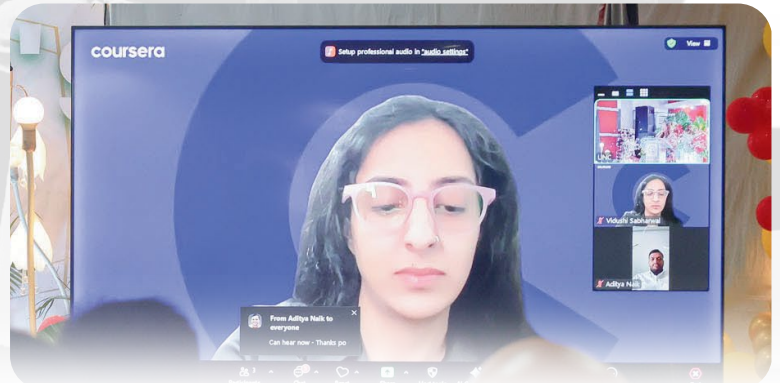
Let us continue to move forward with purpose and unity, holding on to the values that make our institution a home of excellence and compassion.

The best is yet to come, for each of you, and for the University of Nueva Caceres.

With all my love and gratitude,  
Madam Fay

## UNC X coursera

The **University of Nueva Caceres (UNC)**, in partnership with **Coursera**—a global online learning platform—is providing students, faculty, and staff access to UNC's **Multiple Qualifiers Program**. This initiative aims to ensure that every UNCEAN graduate, from Senior High School to Graduate School, earns at least one certificate or badge from top universities and companies worldwide.



This collaboration strengthens UNC's commitment to academic innovation and digital transformation. Students can now enhance their skills in areas such as technology, business, health, and the humanities, while faculty can integrate Coursera content into their teaching and pursue professional growth.

UNC President **Dr. Fay Lea Patria M. Lauraya** shared, *"This partnership empowers our learners with global learning opportunities and helps ensure our graduates are competitive and future-ready."*

UNC's Coursera program is part of its broader strategy to modernize learning and support lifelong education for the UNC community. This opportunity is also open for UNC Alumni.

## PRESIDENT'S MEDIA DAY



In her message, Dr. Lauraya expressed heartfelt gratitude: "We are incredibly thankful to our media partners for helping us share the UNCEAN success stories. Your presence here means so much, and we look forward to deepening our collaboration as we build better tomorrows together."

The University of Nueva Caceres proudly marked the pre-birthday celebration of its esteemed University President, Dr. Fay Lea Patria M. Lauraya, with a day filled with gratitude, joy, and community spirit.

The celebration began with a solemn Thanksgiving Mass, where the university community gathered to offer prayers of thanks for Dr. Lauraya's life and exemplary leadership. A surprise tribute followed, organized by the Office of Student Affairs under the direction of Mr. Geo-Nell Rivera. Students took center stage with heartfelt performances that reflected their admiration and appreciation for Dr. Lauraya's tireless dedication to UNC.

Capping off the celebration was the second annual President's Media Day held on April 11, 2025, at the UNC Social Hall. Organized by the Admissions, Marketing, and Strategic Communications Office (AMSCO), headed by Director Ruby Bandola, the event welcomed media partners from across the Bicol region. The gathering served as a thanksgiving and fellowship event, celebrating the vital role of the media in sharing UNC's stories of success.





36<sup>th</sup> Early childhood education center  
MOVING UP CEREMONIES

The 36th Moving-Up Ceremony of the Early Childhood Education Center took place on April 14, 2025, at the UNC Social Hall, celebrating the academic achievements and personal growth of our young learners. This milestone event was a heartwarming recognition of the children's dedication, progress, and the bright futures ahead of them. We were privileged to have **Atty. Mary Joy A. Alayan** as our distinguished guest speaker, who delivered an inspiring address to the graduates and their families.

Her words of hope and encouragement resonated deeply with the young achievers and served as a reminder of the limitless possibilities that lie ahead. As we celebrate their achievements, we look forward to the continued success and growth of these bright young minds, filled with ambition and promise for the future.



76<sup>th</sup> COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES  
ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT

On April 23, 2025, we proudly celebrated the **76th Commencement Exercises of the UNC Elementary Department** at the UNC Sports Palace — a truly significant milestone for our young achievers and their families. A heartfelt congratulations to the Elementary Department, led by **Ma'am Vivian Fortuno, Ed.D.**, as well as to our dedicated faculty and staff, whose hard work and passion have helped shape and nurture these bright young minds. A special round of applause to the Class of 2025 — your journey is only just beginning, and we are excited to witness your continued success and growth. Your future is full of promise, and we can't wait to see you rise and shine in all your endeavors!



77<sup>th</sup> Recognition Rites JHS MOVING-UP CEREMONY

The University of Nueva Caceres is proud to honor the Junior High School Completers as they celebrate their **10th Moving Up Ceremony** took place on **April 23, 2025**. This milestone marks the culmination of years of hard work, growth, and personal development. As you transition from Junior High to the next chapter in your academic journey, you carry with you not only the knowledge gained but also the resilience, determination, and values that define the Greyhound spirit. Your achievements today reflect the dedication you have shown and the bright futures that await each of you.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the parents, faculty, and staff for their continuous guidance and support. Special thanks to **Ma'am Dinna B. Escobal-Capin**, Junior High School Principal, for her leadership and commitment to excellence.

A heartfelt thanks as well to **Dr. Lyssander P. Ragodon**, an alumnus of the High School Class of 1987, whose inspiring words motivated and uplifted our students and guests alike.

**Congratulations, and may your journey continue to be marked by success and fulfillment.**



8<sup>th</sup> SHS COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

UNC Senior High School 8th Commencement Exercises On April 25, 2025, the University of Nueva Caceres proudly celebrated the Senior High School Class of 2025 during their 8th Commencement Exercises, marking a significant milestone in their academic journey. For the first time, our graduates received their yearbooks on Graduation Day — a symbolic and unforgettable moment for both the students and the entire UNC community.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the Senior High School Department, under the leadership of **SHS Principal Sir Arvin Sibulo, LPT, MAEd**, and **Assistant SHS Principal Ma'am Ma. Junalyn Grace Barrosa, LPT**, as well as the faculty and staff who worked tirelessly to ensure the success of this historic day.





## UNC COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE HOSTS FORENSIC SCIENCE EVENT



April 2-3, 2025, the UNC College of Criminal Justice Education successfully hosted the event

**"Captured in Focus, Identified in Prints: Unveiling the Power of Forensic Photography & Fingerprint Evidence"** at the UNC Social Hall. The event, designed to deepen knowledge in forensic science, provided students and attendees with hands-on experiences in fingerprint evidence collection and forensic photography.

Expert-led sessions gave participants invaluable skills and insights into the world of criminology, reinforcing the importance of forensic science in criminal investigations. Students engaged directly with professionals, gaining practical knowledge that will serve them as they pursue careers in the field.

With a focus on practical learning, this event highlighted the intersection of forensic photography and fingerprint evidence, key tools used by investigators to solve crimes and secure justice.

## NSTP 2025: HIGH ANGLE RESCUE TRAINING – STANDARD RAPPELLING EXERCISE

As part of the University of Nueva Caceres' commitment to equipping students with real-world preparedness and life-saving skills, NSTP students participated in an exciting **High Angle Rescue Training in April 2025**. The event, which focused on standard rappelling techniques, was led by the dedicated and courageous personnel of the **Bureau of Fire Protection - Naga**.



A huge thank you goes to our dedicated NSTP professors for their constant guidance and to the BFP-Naga officers for their expert instruction, ensuring that UNC students are well-prepared to serve their communities and contribute to society's safety.

The following BFP-Naga officers led the demonstration:

- FO3 John Paul C. Paz
- FO3 Tudor Ivan G. Aviola
- FO2 Domenick S. De Leon
- FO2 Kirby Israel D. Millares

## BENCHMARKING FOR BRIGHTER FUTURES: UNC HOSTS MANUEL S. ENVERGA UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION



The University of Nueva Caceres was honored to welcome **Manuel S. Enverga University Foundation for a productive Benchmarking Visit on April 7, 2025**, held at the JH Building Conference Room. This collaborative exchange between the two esteemed institutions was an important step in strengthening academic excellence, fostering innovation, and promoting institutional growth. Representatives from both universities shared insights and best practices, aiming to enhance educational strategies and develop future leaders in higher education.

The visit marks an exciting chapter in UNC's ongoing commitment to excellence and partnership in education.

## UNC STUDENTS SOAR IN TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY COMPETITION



- 2nd Place - Tour Guiding Competition  
Beatrice Cruzat
- 4th Place - Tour Packaging Competition  
Bema Anica Delloro & Cresly Pearl Casiles

The University of Nueva Caceres proudly celebrates the incredible achievements of our talented Tourism and Hospitality students at the **BATHÉ Tourism and Hospitality General Conference and Skills Competition 2025!**

Here are our outstanding winners:

- 1st Place - Inflight Competition  
Shyrloq Reigelle Pineda & Danica Shiene Babul
- 1st Place - Tour Guiding Competition  
Princess Shane De Mesa





FROM UNC TO SWITZERLAND!

The University of Nueva Caceres proudly participated in the **2025 RILEM Spring Convention** held in Mendrisio, Switzerland from March 25-28, 2025, focusing on innovative concrete research for sustainable communities. We are honored to have Clemton Sean E. Fronda, a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering student from the College Engr. Christian Encila, Engr. Angelica Munar, and Engr. Charmaine P. Narvadez, their dedicated research advisers. We are deeply grateful to our team of student researchers, advisers, and partners for making this global opportunity possible. **Engr. Christian Encila, Engr. Angelica Munar, and Engr. Charmaine P. Narvadez**, their

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UNC CCJE FORMALIZES PARTNERSHIPS THROUGH  
JOINT MOA SIGNING CEREMONY



In a strong move toward enhancing academic-industry linkages, the College of Criminal Justice Education (CCJE) of the University of

Nueva Caceres hosted its **Joint Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Signing Ceremony** on April 25, 2025, at the UNC Social Hall. The event marked the formalization of collaborative agreements with key law enforcement and public safety agencies to provide immersive internship and training opportunities for students in Criminology and Forensic Science.

- Participating partners included:**
- City Prosecutor's Office
  - Magtuto Firing Range
  - Bicol State College of Applied Sciences and Technology (BSCAST)
  - Naga City Police Office (NCPO)
  - Camarines Sur Police Provincial Office
  - Naga City District Jail – Female Dormitory
  - Naga City Fire Station



UNC President **Dr. Fay Lea Patria M. Lauraya** graced the occasion and delivered the Opening Remarks, emphasizing the significance of academic-practitioner collaboration in shaping future-ready graduates committed to public service and justice.

The event served as a platform to solidify shared goals between the University and partner institutions—ensuring that students not only gain technical competencies but also develop professional values rooted in service, discipline, and integrity.

As the CJE continues to bridge classroom learning with real-world practice, these partnerships are expected to play a vital role in equipping UNC students for meaningful careers in public safety and the justice system.

CEREMONIAL SIGNING OF THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) ON THE  
(AI-NILP), UNIVERSITY OF NUEVA CACERES AND BICOL UNIVERSITY



In a landmark event held on April 29, 2025, the **University of Nueva Caceres (UNC)** and **Bicol University (BU)** officially signed a **Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)**, cementing their collaboration under the **AI-NILP Training and Capability Building Program for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)**.

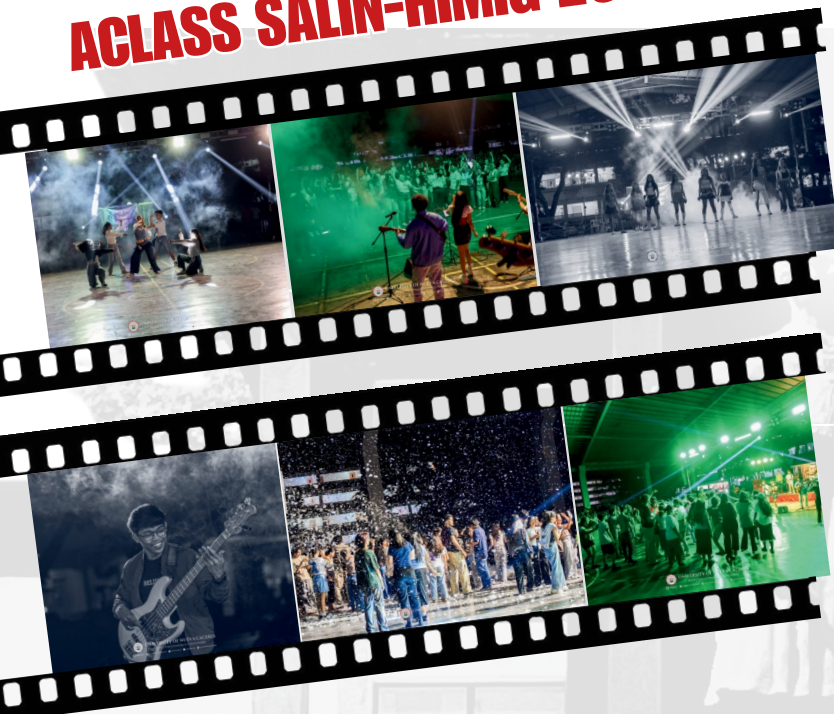
The ceremonial signing, attended by key officials from both universities, marks the beginning of a strategic alliance aimed at empowering educators and institutions through artificial intelligence and digital innovation. The partnership is set to roll out a series of training sessions, workshops, and development initiatives that will strengthen the digital competencies of faculty and staff.

The AI-NILP program serves as a platform for capacity building in AI literacy and application within HEIs, reflecting a broader goal of equipping institutions with tools and skills essential for modern education. Officials from both universities expressed optimism that the partnership will lead to sustainable academic transformation and serve as a model for inter-institutional cooperation in the digital age.

With this initiative, UNC continues to affirm its role as a catalyst for innovation in education—leading not just in instruction, but in adaptation to the future of learning.



## ACLASS SALIN-HIMIG 2025



With its blend of entertainment and camaraderie, SALIN-HIMIG once again proved to be a signature UNC event — one that continues to inspire creativity, connection, and campus pride.

The UNC Covered Court transformed into a lively arena of sound and celebration on April 29, 2025, as students, faculty, and guests gathered for **SALIN-HIMIG 2025** — an evening dedicated to artistic expression and collective pride.

The event brought together a diverse lineup of musical talent, headlined by **MNY Band, Head Day Band, Overheat PH, and Zerotonin**, whose high-energy sets electrified the audience. Adding to the excitement were dynamic performances from the **UNC Glee Club** and the **University Dance Club**, showcasing the incredible talents nurtured within the university.

A highlight of the night was the much-anticipated Bubble Foam Blast, where students danced under clouds of foam, creating a joyful and unforgettable spectacle.

SALIN-HIMIG 2025 was not only a musical showcase but also a testament to the unity and enthusiasm of the UNCean community. The program was made possible through the efforts of the University Student Government, in coordination with the **Office of Student Affairs, University Parent Engagement Center (UPEC), AMSCO, the Career Center, and the Social Arts Council.**

## ENROLLMENT RAFFLE PROMO SY 25-26

The University of Nueva Caceres is adding excitement to the upcoming academic year with a raffle promo for early enrollees—offering brand-new students a chance to win official school apparel and exclusive merchandise.

Incoming freshmen and transferees for School Year 2025–2026 are encouraged to complete their enrollment within the designated early registration periods:

**Basic Education Department (BED):** March 10 to June 1, 2025  
**Higher Education (Undergraduate and Graduate):** May 5 to July 14, 2025

Eligible students will automatically be entered into the raffle using their Student ID Numbers. This initiative aims to provide a warm welcome to new UNCeans while giving them a head start on their student experience.

### What's at stake?

Winners will receive official UNC uniforms and limited-edition UNC items, helping them show their school spirit from day one. These prizes are both practical and symbolic of the vibrant campus life awaiting them.

### Raffle Draw Dates:

- ◆ **June 2, 2025 – Basic Education**
- ◆ **July 15, 2025 – Undergraduate & Graduate Programs**

**ENROLL NOW!**

Get a chance to win **UNC Merchandise** or **School Uniform**

Winners will be contacted directly and announced through the university's official communication channels. Prizes may be claimed from **June 2 to August 5, 2025**, at the University Resource Center.

UNC continues to redefine the student experience with initiatives like this, reflecting its commitment to student engagement and holistic development. As the new academic year approaches, the university invites all prospective students to enroll early—not only to secure their place but also for a chance to start their journey with a celebratory win.

**UNC: Your journey begins here.**