



UNIVERSITY OF NUEVA CACERES

EXECUTIVE PAGE

MARCH 2025



Dear UNC Family,

March became today's past in a blink of an eye! Let us recall the month's achievements and our shared triumphs.

We commemorated Women's Month by recognizing the invaluable contributions of women in shaping our university and society. Through thought-provoking discussions, meaningful initiatives, and inspiring stories, we reinforced our commitment to empowerment, equality, and inclusivity—values that define who we are as an institution.

March also brought some of our happiest and most memorable moments, from academic successes to student-led activities and community engagements that showcased the passion and dedication of our faculty, staff, and students. Specifically, UNC actively engaged with the Bikol Foundation for Higher Education, Inc., the Regional Association of Higher Education Institutions, in a 3-Segment Academic Roadshow to bring BFHE closer to the academic community. We signed partnership agreements with SUCs, LUCs and Private HEIs in the region as a springboard for collaboration in research, academic innovations, and in extension services.

To every member of our community, thank you. Your resilience, compassion, and dedication continue to shape the legacy of UNC. As we move forward, let us carry the lessons of March with us, embracing both the joys and challenges ahead with the same steadfast spirit.

Together, we grow. Together, we move forward.

Sincerely,
Madam Fay

HAPPY INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH!

This March, we proudly celebrate the remarkable achievements of women worldwide and reaffirm our commitment to gender equality. This year's theme, **"Accelerate Action,"** highlights the urgency of advancing women's rights and empowerment.

At the **University of Nueva Caceres**, we stand in solidarity with all women—our students, employees, faculty, and alumni—who continue to strive for a world where equal rights are a reality. We honor those who break barriers, challenge stereotypes, and inspire future generations.

To all the incredible women out there—this month is for you! **Keep shining, keep leading, and keep making a difference.**

Together, let's accelerate progress, uplift one another, and create a future where every woman's potential knows no bounds.

UNC-JINXC Triumphs on the Global Stage!

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Team UNC-JINXC for securing 1st Place in the Aesthetic Category at the FRC Bowling Ball Competition held at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, Canada!



Out of 52 schools worldwide, UNC's exceptional creativity and craftsmanship stood out, bringing home this prestigious victory!

Hats off to our talented UNC students:

▪ Ira Merencillo, James Rhuzzel Saspa, John Nelson Lirio, Princess Xena Sta. Rosa—4th year BSCE

Special recognition to Mr. Yvan Dominique Ruero (4th year BSAR) for his remarkable painting skills and to Engr. Samuel Bulalacao, faculty adviser, for his outstanding mentorship.

Kudos to the UNC College of Engineering and Architecture, led by Dean Engr. Christine Bautista, along with the dedicated faculty, administrators, and students. This international recognition reaffirms UNC's commitment to excellence, innovation, and artistry.

Mabuhay, Team UNC-JINXC!



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The Mythical Battle: Igniting Excellence and Synergy Through Sports!

The Elementary Department officially kicks off Intramurals 2025 with a grand parade and bench cheer at the UNC Sports Palace!

The Little Greyhounds proudly cheer for their candidates in the dazzling Mr. & Ms. Little Greyhound 2025 competition, showcasing beauty, confidence, and school spirit.

As athletes take the stage, it's time to ignite passion, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

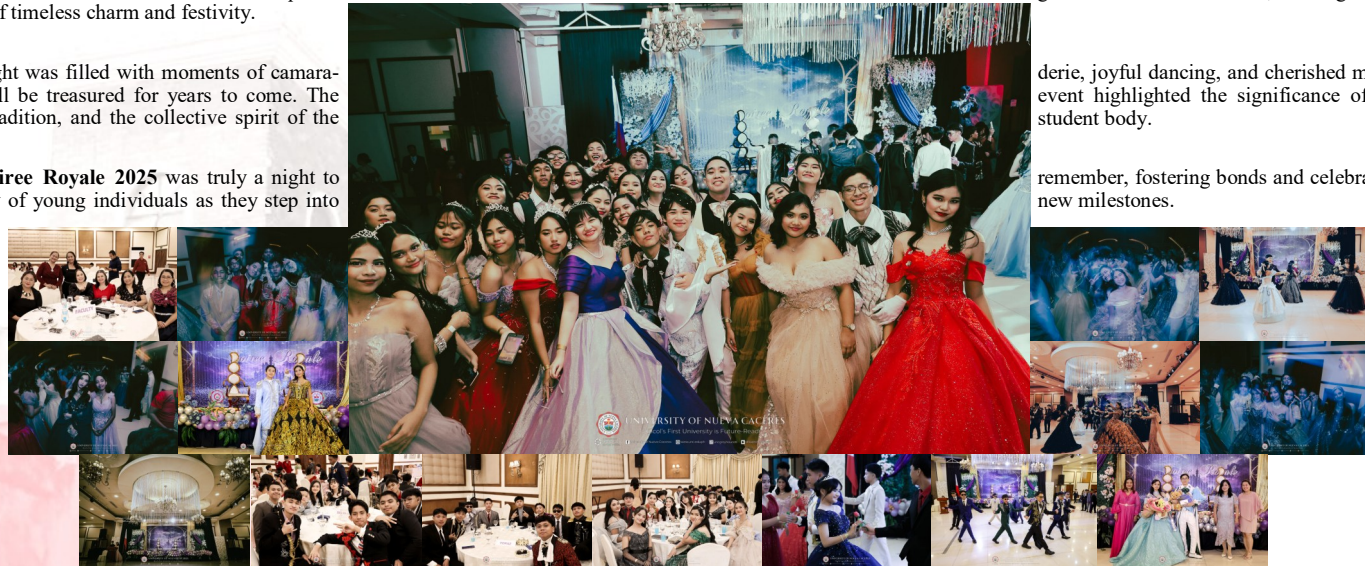


An Enchanting Evening at Soiree Royale 2025

Under a starlit sky, the **Soiree Royale 2025** provided an evening of elegance and celebration for the Junior High School Promenade. The event showcased the grace and sophistication of students dressed in exquisite gowns and refined tuxedos, creating an atmosphere of timeless charm and festivity.

The night was filled with moments of camaraderie that will be treasured for years to come. The ship, tradition, and the collective spirit of the

The **Soiree Royale 2025** was truly a night to journey of young individuals as they step into



derie, joyful dancing, and cherished memories event highlighted the significance of friend-student body.

remember, fostering bonds and celebrating the new milestones.

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UNC-SBA & Alumni Advisory Group Unite for Entrepreneurial Success!



The University of Nueva Caceres - School of Business and Accountancy (SBA) has officially partnered with Industry Alumni Representatives (Advisory Group) through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing for the BS Entrepreneurship Business Implementation program. This strategic collaboration aims to enhance the entrepreneurial journey of students by offering expert mentorship, industry insights, and hands-on business guidance to ensure real-world success.

Key objectives of this partnership include:

- Providing practical business advice
- Evaluating project proposals
- Building valuable industry connections
- Enhancing the curriculum to meet industry demands

Initiated by **Dr. Florabel O. Nieva**, Program Head of BS Entrepreneurship, this initiative marks a significant milestone in developing the next generation of innovative and industry-ready entrepreneurs.

UNC Receives "EXCELLENT" Rating in BFP Earthquake Drill Evaluation!



Safety and preparedness remain top priorities at the University of Nueva Caceres, and the recent Earthquake Drill held on March 21, 2025, has reinforced this commitment. The Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) evaluators awarded UNC an "EXCELLENT" rating, recognizing its dedication to disaster readiness and emergency response.

This achievement reflects the collective effort of students, faculty, staff, and safety officers, who demonstrated discipline, coordination, and efficiency in executing proper evacuation and safety protocols. Through rigorous training, continuous learning, and active participation, UNC continues to lead in fostering a safe and disaster-resilient academic community.

Special recognition goes to **Sir Erwin B. Oliver**, Head of the Environmental Management and Sustainability Office of UNC, for his dedication and leadership in ensuring the successful implementation of the earthquake drill.

Congratulations, Team UNC! Let's continue upholding safety, preparedness, and excellence in all that we do.

#UNCExcellence #DisasterPreparedness #UNCLeads #BFPApproved

UNC NSTP Students Learn Life-Saving Skills!

The University of Nueva Caceres NSTP students took a significant step toward emergency preparedness by participating in a Basic Life Support (BLS) training conducted by expert trainers from the Naga City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Control Unit. This initiative equips students with essential first aid techniques, CPR skills, and emergency response knowledge, fostering a well-prepared and responsive community.



BFHE Issues Special Resolution in Support of EDCOM 2 Reforms

In a united move to strengthen the quality of Philippine education, the **Bikol Foundation for Higher Education (BFHE)** has officially expressed its support for the **Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM 2)** through the issuance of a *special resolution*.

The resolution signals the collective commitment of higher education institutions in the Bicol Region to back EDCOM 2's efforts in identifying and addressing longstanding educational issues across the country.

"The #EDCOMYearTwoReport has comprehensively identified the challenges and opportunities within the Philippine education system, providing evidence-based recommendations for reforms," the report emphasized.

The BFHE's resolution is seen as a crucial endorsement from the academic sector, as it reinforces the need for a science- and data-driven approach to educational reforms, grounded in the realities of regional and national contexts.

Signatories of the resolution include leaders from the following member institutions of BFHE:

Bicol University
University of Nueva Caceres
University of Northeastern Philippines
Mariners' Polytechnic Colleges Foundation of Legazpi City – Albay Inc.
Polangui Community College
Bicol College – Daraga, Albay
University of Santo Tomas – Legazpi
Naga College Foundation, Inc.
Ateneo de Naga University



BIKOL FOUNDATION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Regional Association of Higher Education Institutions

SPECIAL RESOLUTION No. 2025-01

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF THE BIKOL FOUNDATION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE EDUCATION COMMISSION 2 (EDCOM 2) REPORT AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE EDUCATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Education Commission 2 (EDCOM 2) Report has comprehensively identified the challenges and opportunities within the Philippine education system, providing evidence-based recommendations for reforms;

WHEREAS, the Bicol Foundation for Higher Education (BFHE) is a regional association of higher education institutions in the Bicol Region;

The BFHE emphasized that collaboration among government, academic institutions, and stakeholders is vital to building a more inclusive, equitable, and effective education system.

"**Salamat asin Dios Mabalos, BFHE,**" echoed many education advocates and supporters in the region, recognizing the organization's strong stance toward championing education reform for future generations.

UNC Receives ISO 21001:2018 Certification



Departments Receive Official Certificates

The **University of Nueva Caceres (UNC)** has officially secured the **ISO 21001:2018** certification after passing the Stage 2 Audit by DNV, underscoring its commitment to global educational standards.

From February 26 to 28, 2025, UNC's faculty, staff, and employees worked diligently to meet the rigorous requirements of the **ISO 21001:2018** Educational Organizations Management System (EOMS). All university departments have now received their official copies of the certification.

UNC President **Dr. Lea Patria M. Lauraya** expressed gratitude to the entire community, highlighting that this certification reflects the university's ongoing dedication to excellence. "*Because of this event, not only the faculty and staff were busy with accreditation, but the maintenance team also played a crucial role in helping the university shine.*" She said.

With the ISO certification, UNC continues its mission to provide top-tier education and uphold its commitment to innovation, academic integrity, and student success.

Student Research Summit 2025



The **University of Nueva Caceres (UNC)** proudly hosts today's **Student Research Summit**, highlighting the remarkable research efforts of its students. This event reinforces the importance of innovation and inquiry in driving sustainable progress.

With the theme "**Empowering Change: Research as an Instrument for Sustainable Futures,**" the summit celebrates the transformative power of research in shaping a better tomorrow. Through their dedication and discoveries, UNC students contribute to meaningful solutions that address real-world challenges.

UNC remains committed to fostering a culture of research excellence, inspiring the next generation of changemakers.



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