



## MBA and DBA Programs hold classes in Shenzhen, China

Contributed by Mary Grace Leongson, LPT, DBM

The Master of Business Administration and Doctor of Business Administration Programs of St. Paul University Manila held classes in Shenzhen, China on 3-5 June 2019. This was made possible through the joint efforts of Dr. Ma. Encarnacion Dychangco, VP for Academic Services, and the College of Business and Management.

This is a milestone in the Business Graduate School in partnership with Famous Maple Group. Dr. Mary Grace Leongson, CBM Dean and Professor in the DBA Program, and Dr. Arsenio Bignotia, faculty of the MBA Program, led the SPU Manila delegation in this activity. Mr. Roel Suspendio, Hospitality Management and Tourism Management Program Chairperson, assisted in ensuring that classes and other activities during the trip were properly coordinated and monitored.

The MBA and DBA students were executives of different companies in China. This was the reason why aside from holding classes, the Dean and professors also visited their companies for benchmarking. There was a total of 14 DBA Students and 12 MBA students in the classes. Other classes are held in Manila.



**Dr. Leongson (center),  
Dr. Bignotia (2<sup>nd</sup> from left)  
and Prof. Roel Suspendio  
(2<sup>nd</sup> from right)  
with Famous Maple Partners**



**During the Welcome Ceremonies**

**1<sup>st</sup> day of MBA and DBA Classes**



## **SPU Manila SHS students win in Manila Times Essay Writing Competition**

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Selected students from the Senior High School were recognized in the awarding ceremony of the Manila Times Essay Writing Competition on 15 June 2019 in the Manila Savoy Hotel.

Andrea Dominique Uriarte from HUMSS-1 was declared Champion in the Expository Category with her article focusing on the lack of accessible quality education in the country, while Priscila Torres, also from HUMSS-1, was second runner-up in the Narrative Category with a story about a corrupt politician who ends up turning into a whistleblower.

Seven students from the Senior High School were chosen to participate in the said event with each one choosing his/her own category. Two emerged as winners in specific categories and announced via email on June 10 2019.

“Sobrang nakaka-boost ng confidence kasi there were a lot of entries, and I got lucky enough to be chosen as one of the awardees. Nakaka-flatter din kasi 'yung mga nag-judge ng essays, talagang very experienced journalists. It was very overwhelming, especially at first, at kahit hanggang ngayon, medyo surreal pa rin nung feeling,” Uriarte commented after garnering the championship.

The Manila Times Essay Writing Competition was organized by *The Manila Times*. The contest aimed to explore the creativity of the Filipino youth in terms of their artistry and expertise in writing. This year’s theme was about the recently held senatorial elections, with the topics diversified into categories, such as Descriptive, Expository, Narrative, and Persuasive.

### **CEAP National Higher Education Commission convened**

The CEAP National Higher Education Commission met on 19 June 2019 to continue the conversation on the concerns and prospects of the Catholic Higher Educational Institutions today.



Highlight of the discussion was the need to hold a dialogue with the leaders of the key educational agencies on various issues raised. A Technical Committee was formed to pursue this.



**Fr. Joebert Villasis,  
Chair of the NHEC,  
facilitating the meeting.**

**Mr. Karol Mark Yee, resource person and friend of the Commission sharing his thoughts on present HEI concerns.**



### **Senior High School students attend Holy Spirit Mass**

The Senior High School students of SPU Manila attended the Holy Spirit Mass held on 18 June 2019 in the Fleur-de-lis Theater. The Sisters, administrators, faculty, and staff of the University also attended the Mass to welcome the SHS students and to invoke the blessings of the Holy Spirit for the new schoolyear.



### **CONDOLENCES**

The Paulinian family condoles with

the family of Teresita Ojeda-Luz (HS 1948)  
the family of Sarah Marave-Abaya (HS 1949)  
the family of Grace Africa-Gatchalian (BM 1957)  
Estee Pabalate-Jamir (BSC 1968) on the passing of her mother  
Ella Valencerina (HS 1965) on the passing of her mother  
Remedios Altamirano (AB 1969) on the death of her sister  
Lydia Cunanan-de los Santos (AB 1982) on the death of her brother  
Teresita Galang-Carey (former AB Dean) on the death of her mother.

