



Dr. Johnny O. Cabanias is appointed as new Vice Chancellor for Academics

Library announces subscription to new online resources

RPAMDLS recently added more online databases to its collection of online resources – Primal Pictures resources and AccessPharmacy.

Primal Pictures' AnatomyTV provides access to over 5,000 3D anatomical structures, clinical slides, and animations. This database is available at <http://www.anatomy.tv/>. Anatomy and Physiology Online consists of 20 anatomy and physiology modules with clear 3D images and interactive models and quizzes. Access this database at <http://www.primalonlinelearning.com/>

AccessPharmacy, from McGrawHill Medical, is a content-rich online pharmacy resource that allows users to explore leading pharmacy references, research drugs, and supplements. Among the resources included are textbooks, multimedia references, drug therapy cases, and drug database. This database could be accessed at <http://accesspharmacy.mhmedical.com>.

These online databases could also accessed via the library website.

AnatomyTV and Anatomy and Physiology Online could be accessed offsite. Please contact the library to request for the pass codes. However, AccessPharmacy is IP-dependent and is accessible via the DLSHSI network only. For more information about these databases, please contact the Multimedia Librarian at ext. 1274.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

I always find June to be exciting because it marks the start of the new academic year and provides a fresh opportunity to put the library's plans into action. However, I am particularly looking forward to this year because of the appointment of the new Vice Chancellor for Academics. The library team warmly congratulates Dr. Johnny Cabanias for his appointment and everyone is excited to work with him to achieve the goals of the library and the Academics Division.

I am happy to announce that the library will be rolling out new programs and services this year in congruence with the Division's goal of strengthening the learning, teaching, and research thrusts of the Institute. These include wider access to subscribed online databases via OpenAthens, robust security and circulation management through RFID technology, and proactive involvement in student research through information literacy program.

As much as I am excited with the prospect of the new academic year, I am equally pleased to share the library's performance during the previous semester. Three (3) new online databases were added to the collection, the "Share one book, Change one life" campaign culminated with the turn-over of donated books to Sagada National High School, majority of the users were satisfied with the library resources, services, and facilities based on the user satisfaction survey conducted in February, and the library usage statistics posted a positive growth. You will find more about these and the rest of the activities and accomplishments of the library in this issue of @LibNews. But please be on the lookout for more exciting things to happen here in the library in the coming year. Happy reading!

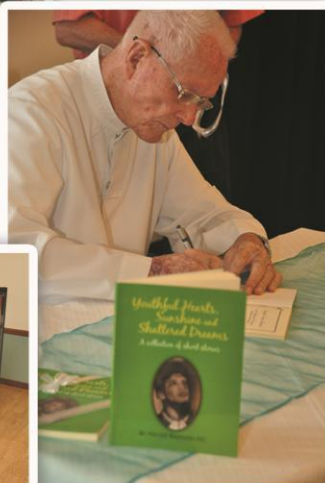


EFREN M. TORRES, JR., MLIS
Director

Exhibits at the Library



Student Research Poster Exhibit



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Youthful Hearts, Sunshine and Shattered Dreams:
A collection of short stories Exhibit

Student Research Poster Exhibit

In celebration of the Lasallian Week, the Research Division exhibited select research outputs of the Lasallian students at the ground floor lobby of the library on January 2015 as an expression of the Institute's aim to hone a culture of research excellence.

Youthful Hearts, Sunshine and Shattered Dreams: A collection of short stories Exhibit

Br. Harry Reynolds FSC held the successful launch of his collection of short stories "Youthful Hearts, Sunshine and Shattered Dreams" on March 15, 2015 at De La Salle Villarosa Hall. An exhibition of select illustrations from the book was mounted during the launch and was transferred to the second level lobby of the library for further viewing the following week. The book features twelve (12) insightful and inspiring stories that will make the reader reflect on his life and his faith and his relationship with God and other people.

New Vice Chancellor for Academics is appointed

The Office of the President has recently announced the appointment of the new Vice Chancellor for Academics for AY2015-2016. After a careful deliberation of the Search Committee, Dr. Juanito O. Cabanias was deemed as the best fit to lead the Academics Division in achieving its vision and goals.

RPAMDLS warmly congratulates Dr. Cabanias on his appointment and is excited to work with him to reach their common goals. To know more about Dr. Cabanias' thoughts about his plans as the new Vice Chancellor, the library visited Dr. Cabanias for an interview.

What is your vision for the Academics Division for the coming academic year?

I envision the Academics Division to achieve academic excellence, as measured by the quality of the research, scholarship and graduates it produces along with their shared effect on the grander society. To achieve this, the fundamental culture must demand excellence in all endeavors. That excellence can only be realized when all members of the Institute - administration, faculty, staff, parents, local government unit, benefactors, students, and alumni - are committed to the highest standards of performance.

How does the Library Services fit in your vision for the Division? What are your future plans for the library?

Relative to achieving academic excellence is a continuous application for accreditation and re-accreditation both in PAASCU, ISO, ISA, and CHED which shall make DLSHSI the Center of Excellence and Center of Development in different fields of specialization. Part of this is the unceasing development of the Learning Resource Unit of the Institute. This is through an increase in the book collections, journals (on-line and hard copies), provision for the Archive Section, Prototype museum, and on-line hub and transforming the LRU into a 21st century Information Age center within the next seven years. I also see the Library's foremost role in our preparation for the University Status application in the next seven years and hopefully be recognized as a University in SY 2023-2024. Finally, our Library shall also be instrumental in providing students with the latest technology tools for leadership in learning and research within the next seven years.

For the librarian and library assistants, I plan to recruit and maintain the finest possible ones. With the help of the Administration, I intend to provide every member of the DLSHSI Library with the latest technology tools for leadership in research and career development within the next seven years. I strongly believe that it is also part of my responsibility to continue to offer more ASP and Staff development programs both local and international.

What are your expectations from the Library Services and its team?

I expect that the Library Services of DLSHSI shall define the City of Dasmariñas as the Region's Leading Learning Resource Hub for Health Sciences Education (book collections and other health-related educational materials). I also expect that the Library Services Team would challenge themselves to create a Learning Resource Environment that contributes to and is consistent with academic excellence. Moreover, I expect that the entire team shall be one of the Institute's partners in continuously providing more educational opportunities for the last, the least and the lost members of the community which would then require a solid partnership with the local governments and other institutions through book donations, mobile library activities, literacy program, etc.

Can you please identify the opportunities and challenges that the Division face given the implementation of the K-12 program? What role does the library play during this shift?

The Kto12 program has indeed enlightened us about the reality that we should be more aggressive in marketing our programs to other potential students outside the country who are basically products of Kto12 compliant schools. Through this, we have realized that we should now be open to doing tie-ups with agents who are bringing in more foreign students, forge a Memorandum of Understanding with them and begin accommodating clients and applicants like them. Likewise, the implementation of this educational reform has motivated us to be more insistent in opening more creative pre-med accelerated programs so we can be more prepared for the impact of Kto12 to the College of Medicine in 2024. This educational change has also opened doors for us to be really serious in opening Senior High School in 2016 and a Special Health Sciences High School in 2018 focusing on special health sciences tracks.

Along with these developments, the Library Services is expected to complement with the demands this program has brought to the educational landscape. There is a need to extend our services to high school students which would entail additional expertise of our librarians and library assistants. Increase in the collection of books and titles shall also be a must to be able to comply with the requirements set by the Department of Education. Since the Institute shall cater high school students, more creative programs to be initiated by the Library Services are expected to happen.

Being a Vice Chancellor could be a tough job. How do you handle stress at work?

I prepare everyday. I make sure all tasks given to me are considered done. I come on time all the time. I read. I ask people of their thoughts and ideas. I talk to people. I smile. I sleep well. Most importantly, I pray.



How satisfied are you with the library?

Library staff	Competency
	Friendliness
	Promptness of the service rendered
Library facility	Hours of operation
	Computers, including internet access
	Individual workspace
	Group workspace (discussion rooms)
	Security
	Lighting
	Noise
	Furniture
	Signage

Respondents

A total of 192 respondents participated in the study where most of them were undergraduate students. BSPT students composed majority of the undergraduate respondents. Figure 1 illustrates the distribution of respondents by course.

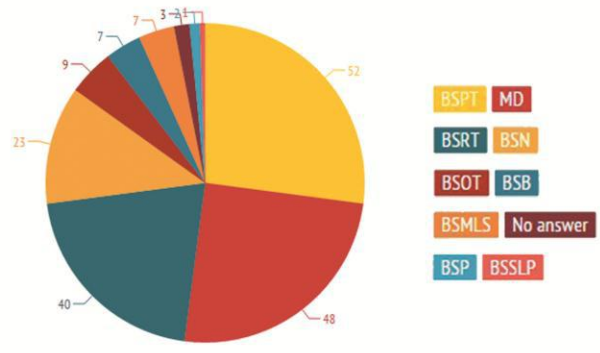


Figure 1. Overall respondents by course

Reasons for visiting the library

It was observed that in general, most of the respondents came to the library to study/research individually. On the other hand, respondents visited the library to request for a referral letter the least. Among the nine (9) responses that picked "Others," four (4) were to do schoolwork, three (3) were to have a meeting, while two (2) were to hang around. Figure 2 shows the overall distribution of reasons for coming to the library.

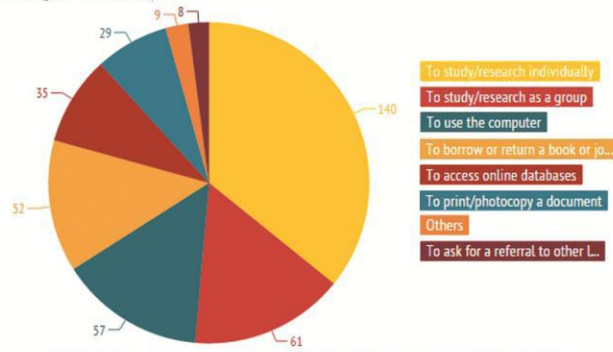


Figure 2. Overall distribution of reasons for coming to the library

It could be observed that although "to study/research individually" was the top reason for coming to the library for both graduate and undergraduate respondents, the latter tended to have more varied reasons for visiting the library, as shown by Figure 3.

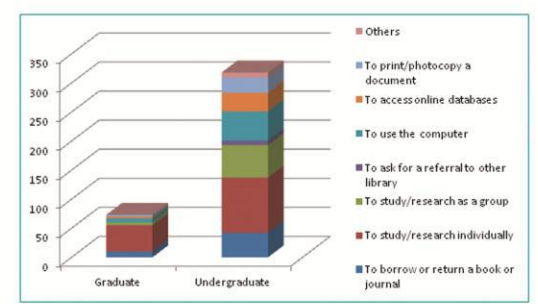


Figure 3. Distribution of reasons for coming to the library by patron type

Satisfaction by library aspect

It was observed that among the library resources, respondents were most satisfied with books while least satisfied with CDs, DVDs, and other multimedia. In terms of library services, circulation service garnered the highest satisfaction score while printing and photocopying service obtained the lowest satisfaction score. Respondents were most satisfied with staff competency while least satisfied with staff friendliness. In terms of library facilities, respondents were most satisfied with the lighting but least satisfied with computers and internet access. Table 2 summarizes the sub-aspects for each library aspect measured that garnered highest and lowest satisfaction scores.

Table 2. Summary of sub-aspects with highest and lowest satisfaction scores

Aspect	Sub-aspect with highest satisfaction score	Sub-aspect with lowest satisfaction score
Resources	Books	CDs, DVDs, and other multimedia
Services	Circulation service	Printing and photocopying service
Staff	Competency	Friendliness
Facilities	Lighting	Computers, internet access

In terms of respondent, graduate and undergraduate respondents shared the same sentiment to several library aspects. Both respondents were most satisfied with books and circulation service while least satisfied with CDs, DVDs, and other multimedia, printing and photocopying service, as well as computers, internet access.

On the other hand, they exhibited different attitudes towards some library aspects. Graduate respondents were equally satisfied with staff competency, friendliness, and promptness. On the other hand, undergraduate students were satisfied the most with staff competency but satisfied the least with staff friendliness. Among the library facilities measured, graduate students were satisfied the most with security. Conversely, lighting garnered the highest satisfaction score among undergraduate respondents.

Aspects that need improvement

At the end of the survey, respondents were asked on what else could be done to improve library service. Extension of library hours ranked first, followed by faster internet connection, while acquisition of more books came in at third place.

Graduate and undergraduate respondents differed on the aspects that should be improved. The former were more concerned with extension of library hours, free coffee, and more electrical outlets/sockets, among others. On the other hand, undergraduate respondents preferred to have faster internet connection, more books, improved printing service, more computers, and friendly staff, to name a few.

Implications for the library

Based on the responses gathered, RPAMDLS is motivated to deliver the quality of books, circulation service, staff competency, and lighting that it presently renders because these are the aspects that satisfy the users. On the other hand, it is seriously considering ways on how to develop the sub-aspects that garnered lowest satisfaction scores as well as the respondents' suggestions on matters that need improvement. The changes and improvements may come in different packages – some may be apparent and extensive, others may be discrete and modest. But it is certain that RPAMDLS' efforts shall always consider the interests of its consumers, the library users.

Information is useless if no one consumes it. This idea puts value only to the resources and services that libraries provide but to the people whom libraries serve. To express how it values its "consumers," RPAMDLS conducted a survey to find out how satisfied its users are with the library.

Previous user satisfaction surveys were simple and straightforward and did not identify the specific aspects that satisfied or dissatisfied the user. In February 2015, the library decided to conduct a user satisfaction survey that is more in-depth than the past surveys. Specifically, the objectives of the study were to:

- find out why users visit the library
- ascertain how satisfied the users are in terms of the library's resources, services, staff, and facilities
- identify the aspects that the library has to enhance or improve based on the satisfaction of its users

The study was conducted during one (1) day where questionnaires were distributed to all users who visited the library that day. User satisfaction on four (4) library aspects was measured, where each aspect was composed of sub-aspects. Frequency distribution and weighted mean were computed to analyze the data. Table 1 lists the library aspects measured in the survey.

Table 1. Library aspects measured in the survey

General Aspect	Specific Aspect
Library resources	Books
	Print journals and periodicals
	Online journals and periodicals
	Multimedia such as CDs and DVDs
Library services	Circulation service, including checkout and renewal
	Reference service, including research assistance, referral, and recall
	Multimedia desk, including reservation of discussion rooms and computer use
	Printing and photocopying service

The library is proud of its two (2) library assistants, Rosemarie S. Velasco and Abel R. Requinala, for being recognized for their loyalty and service during the 28th Annual Employees' Recognition held on January 26, 2015.

Fondly called Ate Rose, Rosemarie has been part of the library team for 30 years. Her colleagues would attest that her dedication for work is paralleled by her love for her family. Described by his colleagues as serious yet funny, Abel has been with the library for five (5) years. He has recently finished his graduate studies in Master of Science in Library Science, a commendable feat for someone who holds a full-time work.

Though they are separated in years, they share common enthusiasm and loyalty at work. Each face different challenges and pursue different goals but at the end of the day, Ate Rose and Abel both found joy at work that made them stay.

@LibNews interviewed them to know more about their motivation and experiences at work.

What motivated you to stay with the Institute for the last 30 years/5 years? What do you appreciate the most about working in the library?

Rose: *The pride to work in a Lasallian institution inspired me to stay for the last 30 years. At first, I was hesitant to work in the library. But I've grown to appreciate working here because of my colleagues. They are easy to work with. Everyone is responsible and flexible which makes the work light yet productive. I also appreciate the present management led by the Library Director that listens to the staff, is open to change, and keeps a positive work environment.*

Abel: *During my first day in the library, I wondered if I could stay any longer because of the highly physical work involved and the silent environment. But the warm and friendly welcome I received from my colleagues and our harmonious work relationship made me stay for the past 5 years. The different people I encounter everyday was also enjoyable. My work gave me stability and molded me as an individual.*

What are the challenges you encountered at work? How were you able to cope with these challenges?

Rose: *Sometimes, I become overwhelmed by the volume of books to be processed. As much as I want to finish processing them all, there seems to be not enough time to do everything. But I try not to dwell on the challenge. Instead, I've learned to appreciate it to make it more enjoyable. This way, I become more productive.*

Abel: *One of the challenges I faced was how to help our patrons use the library-subscribed databases. At first, I was scared because I did not know what to do. But I found out how easy it is to use the online databases through the library website. I learned how to search across the databases and utilize their features through hands-on practice. Now, I am able to share what I've learned and help our users to use the databases.*

How were you able to juggle your work, family, studies, business, and personal endeavors?

Rose: *Everything has its own time – for family, work, and pleasure. I prioritize the things that need to be done and spend enough time for each of my priorities.*

Abel: *Spending at least 9 hours a day at work, not to mention the travel time, practically leaves me little time for my personal endeavors. However, proper scheduling and time management help me accomplish my goals and set my priorities.*

What are your future plans, both professional and personal?

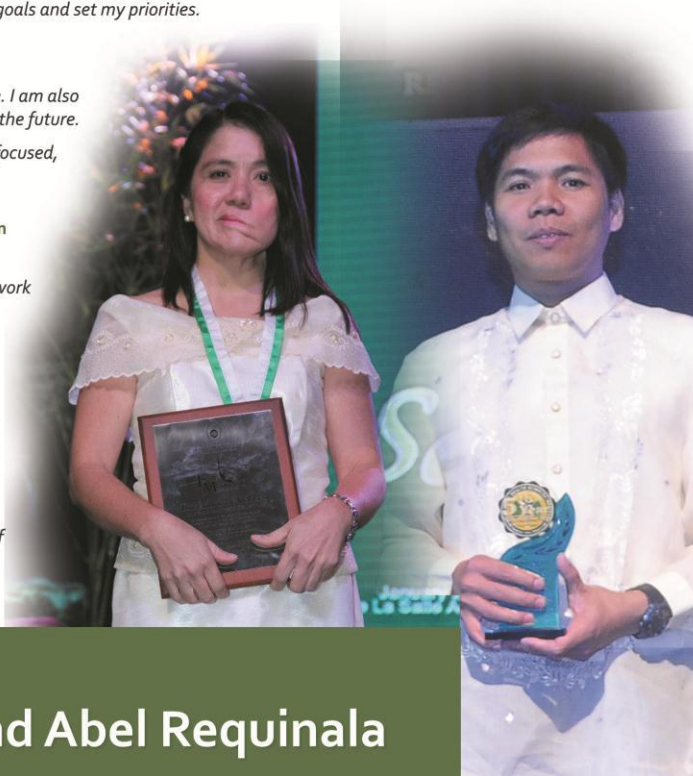
Rose: *I plan to maintain my good track record at work until I retire. I am also preparing now so that I and my family's needs are taken care of in the future.*

Abel: *In the future, I'll try to be more productive, work hard, stay focused, and maintain my positive outlook towards my job.*

Any piece of advice that you can share to junior staff to help them maintain their loyalty and hardwork with the Institute?

Rose: *Have a grateful and appreciative heart. There is no perfect work or workplace but working in La Salle helped me to attain my life goals and for that, I am truly grateful. Whatever I have now, La Salle is a big part of it.*

Abel: *It may be a real challenge for a person like me whose academic preparation is different from his present work. But after adjusting for a while, I was able to learn the technicalities of my work. Self-motivation, self-confidence, patience, love for work, and an appreciative attitude helped me get through. Learning something new every day, thinking positively, and making things enjoyable are also important so I think these would help other staff to stay happy and loyal to their work.*



Staff Spotlight: Rosemarie Velasco and Abel Requinala

Library brings Share One Book, Change One Life outreach program to Sagada

Reading and literacy remain at the core of RPAMDLS' advocacy. To turn these ideas into action, the library launched a book donation drive dubbed as "Share One Book, Change One Life" in November 2013 to encourage the DLSHSI community to donate books for the benefit of selected public school libraries. It hoped to extend the Institute's aim of "teaching minds, touching hearts and transforming lives" to other communities through books and literacy.

The library greatly appreciates the donors who participated in the program by sending books. Sagada National High School, the chosen beneficiary of the program, was equally grateful for this kindness. A total of 176 reference, fiction, and Filipiana books were turned over to Ms. Fely Sibayan, teacher-librarian of Sagada National High School, on May 6, 2015.

Big thanks to everyone who made the program a success. Interested to join the program? You may contact Collection Development Librarian Jennifer P. Ogorda at ext. 1452.



Library Director presents collection research at ICoASL 2015



Library Director Efrén M. Torres Jr. presented his paper "Collection-based Analysis of Selected Medical Libraries in the Philippines using Doody's Core Titles" during the 4th International Conference of Asian Special Libraries held on April 22-24, 2015 at National Assembly Library, Seoul, South Korea.

Doody's Core Titles is an industry-accepted, peer reviewed list of recommended Medicine and Allied Health titles that libraries and information centers use to ensure that their collections are updated and authoritative. The study found out that among 5 medical libraries analyzed, RPAMD Library had the most number of titles that matched the books listed in Doody's Core Titles Essential Purchase for Basic Sciences and Clinical Medicine specialties combined. This reflects the soundness of the library's collection of Basic Sciences and Clinical Medicine and ensures that the DLSHSI community has access to high quality and industry-accepted information sources.

The medical libraries included in the study were the libraries of De La Salle Health Sciences Institute, University of the Philippines Manila, University of Santo Tomas, University of the East Ramon Magsaysay Memorial Medical Center, and Ateneo School of Medicine and Public Health.

The 4th International Conference of Asian Special Libraries was organized by the Special Libraries Association Asian Chapter.

- * Medical Librarian Marlon G. Gado and Library Assistant Imelda S. Vocal joined the DLSHSI contingent at the Papal Sunday Mass held on January 18, 2015 at Quirino Grandstand, Manila.
- * Several librarian and staff were honored during the 28th Annual Employees' Recognition held on January 26, 2015. Library Assistant Rosemarie S. Velasco received award for her 30 years of service. Library Assistant Abel R. Requinala was awarded for his 5 years of service as well as for obtaining his Master of Science in Library Science. Finally, Library Director Efrén M. Torres, Jr received award for his 10 years of service.
- * Campus Ministry coordinated the annual recollection for the DLSHSI staff attended by library assistants on April 16, 23, and 27, 2015 held at the Two Hearts of Mary and Jesus Chapel.
- * Library Assistant Imelda S. Vocal lent a helping hand during the Gawad Lasalyanong Edukasyon Outreach Program held on April 17, 2015 at Alfonso and Maragondon, Cavite. School supplies were handed out to grade school pupils of beneficiary schools, giving them a good jumpstart for the coming school year. This annual event is facilitated by the Office of Academic Services headed by its director, Dr. Juanito O. Cabanias.
- * Library Director Efrén M. Torres, Jr, Collection Development Librarian Jennifer P. Ogorda, and Reference Librarian Zipporah M. Dery attended the 4th International Conference of Asian Special Libraries held on April 22-24, 2015 at National Assembly Library, Seoul, South Korea.
- * The annual library book selection was held on April 26-May 2, 2015 at Kuala Lumpur and Singapore participated by the Vice Chancellor for Academics, Library Director, college deans, and faculty members. The activity aimed to acquire relevant and up-to-date resources to be added to the library collection for the reading benefit of the DLSHSI community
- * To conclude the academic year, Library Director Efrén M Torres, Jr. led the year-end workshop held on May 4, 2015 at the third level of the library building. Included in the agenda were the presentation of annual reports for AY 2014-2015 and creative initiatives and special projects for AY 2015-2016.
- * The 7th CE-Logic National Electronic Conference with the theme "Creating a Legacy Towards Nation Building: Library and Information Specialists as Community Leaders in Today's Information Society" was held on May 28-29, 2015 at C & E Information and Resource Center, Quezon City. Cataloging Librarian Raquel P. Samar and Reference Librarian Zipporah M. Dery attended the conference.



THROWBACK

THE LIBRARY IN REVIEW

Library usage statistics AY 2014-2015



Total number of books borrowed



Total number of journals borrowed



Total number of these borrowed



Total number of computer sessions



Total number of discussion room reservations

Peak hour of usage

- 7 am to 10 am
- 10 am to 1 pm
- 1 pm to 4 pm
- 4 pm to 7 pm
- 7 pm to 10 pm



★ Go to the library early in the morning if you prefer an "alone time."

96,701

Total number of library visits

BSRT
students

Top patron visitors

MEDICINE
students

Top patron borrowers

10 am - 1 pm

Peak hour of computer use

★ Avoid these times to get sure seat in the computers.

Discussion rooms are usually fully booked

all day

so it's best to reserve early

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