Cebu Institute of Technology (CIT) was one of the awardees during the 71st Cebu City Charter Day celebration held at Fort San Pedro on February 24, 2008. A plaque of recognition was awarded to CIT as an OUTSTANDING INSTITUTION for EXCELLENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION.

CIT started offering IT-related degree programs in 1986. The school’s effort in ensuring the delivery of quality IT education is evidenced by the following accomplishments:

1. In 2000, CIT was the only school in Region 7 to be awarded by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) as a Center of Development for Excellence in Information Technology Education (CODE-ITE).

2. CIT is the first school in the Visayas to be identified by CHED under its Faculty Development Program, as a delivering institution for Master in Computer Science (MCS) and Master in Information Technology (MIT). Faculty members handling CS/IT courses who have been accepted under the MCS and MIT programs of CIT may apply for CHED scholarship which will entitle them to free school fees, book and transportation allowance and monthly stipend (4T for part-timers; 8T for full-timers). There are currently 20 scholars from Region 7, 13 from Region 8 and two scholars from Mindanao.

3. In 2007, CIT is one of only nine schools all over the Philippines that has been awarded by CHED as a Center of Excellence in Information Technology Education (COE-ITE). Seven of the nine schools are from Luzon (Angeles University Foundation in Pampanga, Asia Pacific College in Manila, Ateneo de Manila University, De La Salle University Manila, University of the Cordilleras in Baguio, University of the Philippines Diliman, University of the Philippines Los Baños) and only two are from Visayas (University of the Philippines Visayas - Cebu College and Cebu Institute of Technology).

This is not the first time that CIT has gotten an award from the Cebu City government. In 1980, CIT was awarded as the “Most Outstanding Institution for Learning in Cebu City”. In 1994, CIT was also awarded as the “Most Outstanding Academic Institution in Science and Technology” for Region VII by the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) Region VII and by the Cebu Federation of Scientific and Professional Organizations (COSPO).
Deans in Business Education
Elect CIT Dean as President

The Council of Deans in Business Education (Region VII) elected the first set of members of the Board of Directors in the recently concluded General Assembly of Deans in Business Education held at the Cebu Institute of Technology.

The officers-elect are as follows: Dr. Alexander Franco Delantar (CIT)-President; Fr. Mark Mathias, S.V.D. (USC)-Vice-President; Ms. Gretchen Chaves (UP-Cebu)- Secretary; Mrs. Rosemarie Español (UV)- Treasurer; Dr. Edgar Detoya (USJ-R)- Auditor; Ms. Jemma Jay (HNU)- PRO, Dr. Hilnora Gregorio (SPU-Dumaguete)- PRO; and the other members of the board: Ms. Jessica Salisana (UCLM), Mr. Gerry Maxino (Maximo College, Dumagete), Ms. Expedita Duran (Siquijor State College), Mr. Romulo Mirasol (Villaflores College,Tanjay City), Ms. Leticia Lerin (SWU), Mr. Gerry Sta. Ana (USPF), Mr. Fred Salazar (SCSIT) and Mr. Cesar Edula.

Dr. Enrique Grecia, CHED Regional Director, congratulated the new set of officers even as he stressed that the new set of officers of the Council of Deans in Business Education have numerous tasks ahead of them that include synchronization of graduate attributes vis-à-vis industry requirements, among others.

CIT Alumni from US and Australia Get Involved

Lecture Series
- **ENGR. LEO ORENDAIN**, CIT - CE ’67 class alumnus, conducted a half-day lecture on “Highway Design Using Microstation and In-Roads” at the S&T Case Room last January 25, 2008. The lecture was organized by the Civil Engineering Department and was attended by some CIT alumni working for DPWH, private practitioners and selected 5th year CE students. Engr. Orendain is currently residing in Las Vegas, U.S.A. and is the Chief of Transportation Division at PARSONS in Washington D.C., U.S.A.

- CIT alumnus **DR. JAIME TABUCANON**, who is now residing in Australia, gave a lecture on “Deep Foundations" to a group of 4th year and 5th year Civil Engineering students at the CIT Audio Visual Room last January 8, 2008. CIT Alumni Association Australia Chapter, CITAA, Inc. and Cebu Institute of Technology entered into a memorandum of understanding for a lecture series. According to Engr. Roberto Alivio, CIT-EE ’81, CITAA Australia will send high caliber lecturers.

Scholarships
- Last January 19, 2008, **ENGR. ROMEO S. JURANI**, EM ’64 presented the programs intended for CIT students and teachers under the Jurani Scholarship Foundation. The foundation is committed to support 16 scholars for the school year 2008-2010 and fund the Best Teacher Incentive Program.

Present during the presentation were former presidents of the CITAA Eastern Seaboard Chapter and CITAA Midwest Chapter, Engr. Antonio Dumagsa and Engr. Robert Kiamco, respectively, CITAA Australia member Engr. Robert Alivio, and all officers and board members of CITAA, Inc. CITAA Inc, President, Engr. Venancio Besavilla, challenged all the other chapter presidents to also offer their own scholarship program and this challenge was very well taken by everybody.

Donations
- CITAA Southern California Chapter donated books to the CIT Library totaling to P150, 000.00.