93% NLE Passing for BSN Pioneers

Seventy-seven out of 83 examinees from the pioneer batch of CIT Nursing graduates passed the Nursing Licensure Examination (NLE) held last June 1 & 2, 2008. The result was released by the Professional Regulations Commission (PRC) last July 24, 2008. The 93% passing percentage for its first batch of graduates proves that CIT offers quality education at par with leading veteran nursing schools and universities nationwide.

TOPNOTCHER

The overall good performance by the BSN graduates in the board exam is further highlighted by DALFON SILVIO B. NAVAJA, who landed in Fourth Place in the Top 10 NLE passers. Dalfon is the highest ranking topnotcher among the June 2008 nursing board exam passers from Cebu schools. He got an 85.40% average while the first placer got 86%.

Of the 64,459 takers nationwide only 27,765 or 43.07% passed the June 2008 nursing board exam. The oath taking ceremony for Cebu passers is on August 26, 2008.

CIT extends a helping hand to VSMMC

Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center, one of CIT’s base hospitals, had the blessing and inauguration of its emergency operating room last June 12, 2008. The formal opening of the operating room theater was made possible by the joint efforts of Cebu Institute of Technology and Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center. The said occasion was witnessed by Health Secretary Francisco Duque III, Congresswoman Nerissa Soon-Ruiz, CIT Vice-President for Academic Affairs Atty. Corazon Evangelista-Valencia, CIT-College of Nursing Dean Judith D. Ismael and VSMMC Chief of the Hospital Dr. Gerardo Aquino.

Since the start of its services, the CIT- College of Nursing has been affiliated with Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center. The medical institution has been a good venue for training CIT’s aspiring nurses. In return to this favor from the hospital and as a gift to the good people of Cebu, CIT extended help in initiating and completing the hospital’s operating room theater, designed and supervised by Archt. June S. Bayaton. (Article by the College of Nursing)
**Updates: Community Extension**

(primarily by the CES Office)

Thirty-three volunteers consisting of 9 faculty members, 6 administrative staff, and 18 students attended the seminar on the Basics of Community Development held at the Auditorium Annex last July 9, 2008. The training was conducted by Dr. Erlinda Posadas of Primary Health Care Services, Inc. The training aimed to orient and guide the CES volunteers on the conduct of an extension program that covers the planning, implementation and monitoring stages. Another seminar on Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation will be conducted for the CES faculty coordinators on August 16, 2008. The seminar will be handled by Ms. Cheryl Lisa Padilla, Cebu-Based Health Services Program (CBHSP) Coordinator of the Visayas Primary Health Care Services, Inc.

**Research-Related Activities**

- The College of Arts and Sciences organized a LECTURE-WORKSHOP ON WRITING MONOGRAPHS for faculty members last July 14, 2008. Dr. Angel O. Presirla, Director for External Affairs and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences of Cebu Normal University, was the resource speaker and facilitator. At the end of the activity, some of the participants were able to present their monograph titles and outlines.

- The Research and Development Coordinating Office spearheaded a two-part seminar-workshop on PREPARATION & PACKAGING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT, and RESEARCH PROPOSALS last June 14 and July 26, 2008. The resource speaker was Dr. Evelyn B. Taboada of the Chemical Engineering Department of the University of San Carlos.

- The Department of Science and Technology [DOST] Region 7, headed by its director, Engr. Rene Burt Llanto, conducted an orientation on the services and grant-in-aids of DOST 7 last July 12, 2008. One of the projects presented was the revival of the Manufacturing Productivity Extension for Export Promotion [MPEx] Program where field study teams composed of engineers and educators undertake productivity consultancy services to assist small and medium enterprises [SMEs] in the manufacturing sector to attain higher productivity. Last July 19, 2008, the RDCo Head and the Acting Dean of the College of Engineering spearheaded the orientation for the 17-member CIT-MPEx team at the VPAA Conference Room.

- The following are appointed as College Research Coordinators for SY 2008-2009:  
  - Engineering & Architecture: Jonathan Reyes  
  - Computer Studies: Chris Jordan Aliac  
  - Commerce: Mansuelo Lu  
  - Education: Deudsedith Parrilla  
  - Arts and Sciences: Esperanza Manabat  
  - Nursing: Fe Baturan

**ACADEMIC MATTERS**

**ACCREDITATION**

The Accreditation and Standards Board (ASB) is spearheading the preparation for the PACUCOA accreditation visit in September 2008 for the programs BS Computer Science, BS Information Technology, BS Accountancy, BS Business Administration, Bachelor of Elementary Education and Bachelor of Secondary Education. A series of meetings was held from June 25 to July 04 to accomplish the self-survey evaluation tools. The ASB made sure that the different stakeholders of the CIT community are involved; hence, the nine self-survey committees, which rated the self-survey tools, are composed of administrators, faculty representatives, and student representatives.

By first week of August 2008, CIT will submit the required documents, including the compliance reports, institutional profile and the self-survey tools to PACUCOA. If everything is in order, the visit in September 2008 will be confirmed.

PACUCOA accreditation will focus on the nine areas of evaluation, namely: Area I-Purposes and Objectives; Area II-Faculty; Area III-Instruction; Area IV-Library; Area V-Laboratories; Area VI-Physical Plant and Facilities; Area VII-Student Personnel Services; and Area IX-Organization and Administration.

**SYLLABI REVISION**

Despite the bad weather due to typhoon Frank, all colleges continued with the scheduled whole day school-wide syllabi revision last July 21, 2008. The activity was set to institutionalize the format of the syllabi. Moreover, it also served as a venue for faculty members to review and update their current syllabi. Faculty members handling the same courses are encouraged to adopt a common syllabus.

**CLASS INSPECTION**

At the start of the semester, faculty members are to orient their students regarding the grading system and the course content. Furthermore, they are required to distribute the course outline (printed by the school for free) and/or syllabus to the students. To ensure adherence to this policy, the deans and department chairs conducted classroom inspection last July 24 & 25, 2008. It was observed, however, that many students did not bring their copy of the course outline in class.

**FOUR-MAJOR EXAM SCHEME**

Effective First Semester SY 2008-2009, CIT is adopting the four-major exam scheme: Prelim, Midterm, Pre-final, and Final. In line with this, the Executive Committee upon the recommendation of the Academic Council approved the revised grading system. The prelim and pre-final examinations shall be conducted within the regular class schedule while the midterm and final examinations are comprehensive two-hour exams.
Various School Activities

HOW TO EFFECTIVELY HANDLE FIRST YEAR CLASSES

Last June 14, 2008, all faculty members handling first year classes were given an orientation-seminar on how to effectively handle first year classes. The freshman year is an adjustment period for new college students. While the Guidance Center and other support service offices offer programs geared towards social and psychological development, faculty members share the responsibility of making their classroom experience productive and enjoyable.

The orientation-seminar included a presentation on the enrolment profile prepared by MIS/SPS Director Bernard Nicolas Villamor, a brief talk by Dean Alexander Franco Delantar and some tips on effective teaching for freshmen by Dean Arsenio Pacana.

STUDENT ORIENTATION

To welcome the new students, the Guidance Center in coordination with the Student Affairs Office, the Physical Education Department, and the different colleges conducted the New Students’ Orientation last June 19, 20, & 27, 2008. The program included orientation about the school, formal introduction of the respective deans, department chairs and faculty members, games and fellowship activities. For School Year 2008-2009, there are 2, 522 new students [2, 022 freshmen and 500 transferees].

NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION

The New Employee Orientation was conducted at the Case Room last July 5, 2008. The first part of the program included general orientation about the school, introduction of the school officials and administrators, and orientation on the various programs and services of support offices. In the afternoon, the new faculty members were given brief lectures on the following topics: Administrative Details for Teachers [by Dean Cherry Lyn Sta. Romana], Teacher Credentials [by Dean Arsenio Pacana], Instructional Methodologies and Process [by Dean Nona Suerte] and, Evaluation and Grading [by Dean Alexander Franco Delantar].

FACULTY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Classes were suspended from 1:30 to 5:30 P.M. last July 29, 2008 to give way to the Faculty General Assembly held at the Auditorium. This is an annual activity organized by the Faculty Club. Issues and concerns and updates on new policies affecting the faculty are discussed during the assembly.

SOCIAL AWARENESS LECTURES FOR STUDENTS

The Student Affairs Office and the Guidance Center spearheaded the conduct of lectures for the students on topics related to social issues. MIS/SPS Director Bernard Nicolas E. Villamor started the program with a short orientation on the rationale and role of the Student Personnel Services (SPS). This was followed by the talk on the topics “Energy Crisis: Coping Strategies” and “Job Opportunities of the Filipino Workers Abroad” with Engr. Antonio Labios (Director, Department of Energy, Visayas Field Office) and Mrs. Marina P. Villaflor (OIC, Administrative Unit, POEA), as speakers, respectively.

SSG ELECTIONS

A new set of officers of the CIT College Supreme Student Government was inducted last July 26, 2008. Benjie Belotindos, a 4th year BSCS student, was elected President while Stephen D. Alim [BSME 5] was elected Vice-President. The annual SSG elections was held last July 23, 2008.

SEMINAR ON FIRST-AID TREATMENT and EMERGENCY CARE

Last July 31, 2008, the College of Nursing in cooperation with the Engineering & Sciences Laboratories and the HRD conducted the seminar on First-Aid Treatment and Emergency Care for selected administrative staff and faculty members especially those who are assigned in the laboratories and/or handling laboratory classes. The seminar is part of the continuing program on laboratory safety and preventive maintenance of the school.

ALUMNI UPDATE

The 10th CITAA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AND REUNION was held at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel in San Francisco, California, U.S.A. last July 11—13, 2008. Two Hundred twenty participants representing the different CIT Alumni Association Chapters worldwide had the opportunity to reunite and renew friendships with former classmates, schoolmates, and mentors. Host chapter was the CITAA Northern California.

Presently, there are 12 local and international CITAA Chapters. They are:

- CITAA—Cebu Main Chapter
- CITAA—Davao
- CITAA—Luzon
- CITAA—Eastern Seaboard
- CITAA—Las Vegas
- CITAA—Northern California
- CITAA—Southern California
- CITAA—Midwest
- CITAA—Canada
- CITAA—Arizona
- CITAA—Australia

SPS Group Conducts Awareness Drive

With the objective of reaching out to its main client—the students—the Student Personnel Services Group conducted various activities to promote the SPS programs and services. The “SPS Week” held from July 28 to August 1, 2008 was highlighted with the showing of the video clips specifically designed to articulate the thrusts of each SPS office. Exhibits of the SPS offices were put up in the main lobby while leaflets were also distributed to the students. Taking the opportunity to present to the students the rationale and role of SPS, Engr. Bernard Nicolas Villamor gave a brief orientation during the lectures on social issues last July 29.

These efforts will result, hopefully, to more students availing of the SPS services and programs.
Vision
A world-class academic institution continuously developing highly skilled, values-driven and competitive Technologians

Mission
To provide quality education for the total development of Technologians committed in practicing professionalism and in meeting the demands of local and global communities

Goals
As a private, non-sectarian academic institution, Cebu Institute of Technology aims to:

1. Provide early childhood, basic and higher education for the total development of individual students in an academic environment conducive to teaching and learning;
2. Develop instructional, research, and community extension programs attuned to the Filipino culture, national goals and global competitiveness with optimum utilization of existing resources, harnessing community involvement and goodwill in its implementation;
3. Provide opportunities for CIT’s academic community, school staff, and students to join hands and help improve the institution as well as its local and global networks;
4. Develop and strengthen the values of leadership, cooperation, collegiality, and respect for human dignity in a culture of peace.

Core Values
Passion for excellence is total quality in any endeavor by striving to work in the best way that one could.

Teamwork and Tenacity foster cooperation and collegiality in the pursuit of the institution’s mission.

Interdependence is acknowledging the vital role of all sectors in the institution and recognizing the efforts and expertise of colleagues and students.

Spirit of Altruism and Commitment enhances capacity of persons to give witness to God’s love for mankind.

Congratulations!
The CIT community congratulates the
New Nurses and Architects who hurdled their respective licensure examinations in June 2008.

Inter-School Competitions
2008 Accountancy Week organized by PICPA-Cebu Chapter in coordination with CFJPIA

Overall Champion
- Jose Isabela Abella and REGINE YOCETE Champion, Level I Accounting Quiz Bowl
- JAYESA FAJARDO, MELILUZ MADELO, LLOYD MARTIN DABON, MOSES GANTUANGCO and FLORENDO GIMENEZ Champion, Level 2 Accounting Quiz Bowl
- MICHELLE ALCAREZ, MOSES GANTUANGCO, FLORENDO GIMENEZ, WILBERT RIVERA and BRIGETTE ANN YBALANE Champion, Team Category, Philippine Standards of Auditing (PSA) Challenge
- WILBERT RIVERA and BRIGETTE ANN YBALANE, 1st Place
- MICHELLE MARIE ALCAREZ, 2nd Place
- MOSES GANTUANGCO, 3rd Place
- FLORENDO GIMENEZ, 4th Place
- Top Ten, Individual Category, Philippine Standards of Auditing (PSA) Challenge
- JACKLYN ARGONCILLO, LLOYD MARTIN DABON, WILBERT RIVERA, YRENY SABERON and JULIE ANN VELOSO 2nd Place, Team Category, Business Law & Taxation Quiz
- JULIE ANN VELOSO, 3rd Place
- JACKLYN ARGONCILLO, 5th Place
- WILBERT RIVERA, 7th Place
- LLOYD MARTIN DABON, 9th Place
- Top Ten, Individual Category, Business Law & Taxation
- MICHELLE MARIE ALCAREZ, LLOYD MARTIN DABON, MOSES GANTUANGCO, FLORENDO GIMENEZ and YRENY SABERON 3rd Place, Team Category, Phil. Accounting Standards/Phil. Financial Reporting Standards (PAS/PPRS) Challenge
- Other Competitions
Champion, Dance Palabas
Champion, Extemporaneous Speaking Contest [April Jane Salas]