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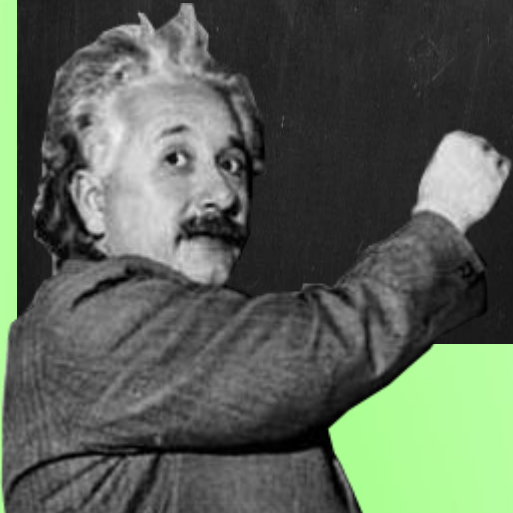


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It is the
supreme
art of the
teacher to
awaken
joy in
creative
expression
and
knowledge.

- Albert Einstein



Knack for Mac

By: Dr. Nonet A. Cuy & Dr. Vicente M. Castillo



Professors Galicia (left) and Decena (right) during a learning session.

Faculty and academic support services staff are now equipped with starter knowledge on the use of Apple Mac through a training conducted by **Power Mac** the official Apple training center in the Philippines .

The three-day training session which was held from September 21 to 23, 2016 at UPHSL College IT Room was spearheaded by the Human Resources Department and focused on the use of basic office and creatives productivity tools providing ease at work.

The participants all joined the learning sessions which required them to have outputs featuring the certain technical practice of the day.

The training was a direct response to the transition of the University towards a more technological environment for effective school management.

Professor Leomar S. Galicia and Professor Elias Rafael L. Decena represented the College of Arts and Sciences in the said training.

Message from the Editor

By: Prof. Leomar S. Galicia



It is just a month away from the sought-after semestral break bringing at least two clear weeks of rest from the walls and portals of tedious learning, relearning, and unlearning to both academicians and learners, the former being the facilitator of the demanding education process.

This September release of CAS Faculty Newsletter stages teachers into the spotlight as we resound World Teacher's Day which in the Philippines translates to World Teacher's Month being celebrated from September 5 to October 5.

Countless articles and news flood newspapers, journals, and social media about the immense contributions of teachers in fulfilling their social mandate of training future leaders who are capable of nation building. However, the words and videos cannot totally express the profundity of their experience in sharing and devoting their lives to the noblest profession.

I hope that this issue will further deepen our appreciation of all teachers who keep on expanding their horizon of expertise especially now in the 21st century that is highly characterized by the manifold advancement in technology and digital world.

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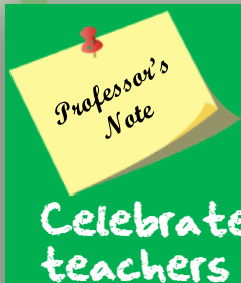
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OPINION

Philosophizing
the teaching
profession



6 celebrities who are also teachers!



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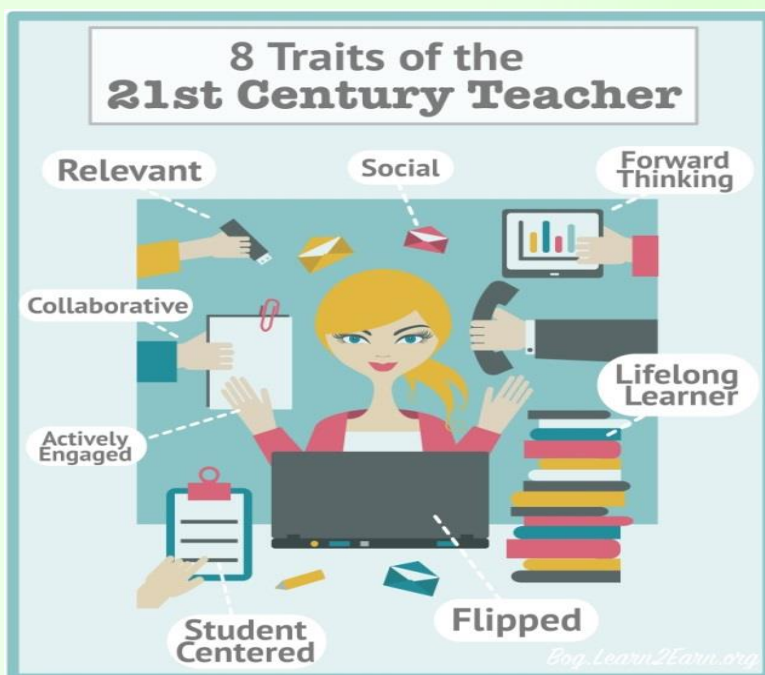


Igan D'Bayan, artist and columnist, was on one-time teacher at UST's Creative Writing Center.



Quark Henares, film director and Pinoy rock enthusiast, taught Film courses in Ateneo de Manila University - which is also his alma mater.

Condensed from Coconuts Manila May 8, 2014



1. **Student-centered** – lead discussion while guiding students down a path of learning with the web, social media, and other digital solutions
2. **Forward thinking** – understand how quickly the world is changing due to powerful technologies
3. **Flipped** – give students prior activities before the class session like videos and other resources
4. **Relevant** – use available technologies to adapt the lessons
5. **Social** – embrace social media and mobile technology in classroom instruction
6. **Lifelong learner** – seek out opportunities to learn about new technique and technologies
7. **Collaborative** – work together with other teachers to create lesson plans and openly share plans with anyone who is interested
8. **Actively engaged** – involve learners in all activities whenever possible

Condensed from <http://blog.whooosreading.org/8-undeniable-traits-of-the-21st-century-teacher/>



Professor's Note

From a day to a month to celebrate for teachers

By: Prof. Marion Giana M. Adeza



Teachers play a vital role in the lives of people and communities. I, for instance, am greatly influenced by teachers since I have several relatives who are also in the teaching profession- three of my aunts, two uncles, and three of my cousins teach in elementary, high school, and college levels.

It appears like teaching really runs through my veins - it really does. As someone who has been exposed to the joy, suffering, and sacrifices of being a teacher, I still choose to become one. Gratefully, we are given the chance to be appreciated and recognized for one whole month through the celebration for teachers.

The United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) set the date for World Teachers' Day on October 5 every year although the date on which it is celebrated varies from country to country.

Celebrating Teacher's Day paves the way for people to recognize the efforts of dearest educators in developing globally-competitive professionals, as well as fortifying family ties strengthening the community and building the nation. There is no doubt that with these critical tasks expected of teachers to perform, they absolutely deserve to be given the proper and the best recognition.

The Philippines is one with UNESCO in celebrating the said event for a million teachers nationwide. In fact, Filipinos celebrate Teachers' Day the longest - for one month, from September 5 to October 5. The monthlong celebration is in conformity to Proclamation No.242 signed by former President Aquino in 2011.

This years' theme, "Guro, Kabalik at sa Pagbabago" emphasizes the vital role that every teacher plays in nation building, pursuant to President Duterte administration's promise - "Change is coming." The change that we have been looking forward to will surely undergo a really long process and teachers, as the administration's "Kabalik at sa Pagbabago," will be the best asset to ensure that this "change" will effectively take place as teachers involve the students, the whole community, and the whole nation.

In the celebration of Teacher's Day in our country, may everyone be reminded of the value of teachers who unceasingly devote themselves to serve the country.

Philosophizing the Teaching Profession

By Prof. Leomar S. Galicia

A teacher
takes a hand, opens a door, touches a heart.

"Once a teacher, forever a student," deeply inspires me as this maxim signifies nonstop learning as long as I teach. Being a teacher has never been as easy as walk in the park because it demands professionalism and excellence. Consistently looked into are thorough preparation for each lesson considering the interest of the students, relevance to the real-life situations and application of what has been learned to authentic setting.

These are some of the considerations that an educator has to go through to make sure that the teaching and learning process will be effective. Likewise these are things that seem so easy, yet challenging.

Teaching will always be a heculean task if teachers would stop to strive learning new things that will make them better molders of the youth. **What I am pointing out is to educate the educator is another term to be understood.** Yes, teachers are educators because they could have attained highest distinctions, licenses and other commendations, but are these labels enough? True educators constantly thirst for broader array of knowledge and rich store of experiences to be more effective instrument of learning. As students of today become more exposed to different technological advancements, brought about by the Digital Age, like surfing the Internet for assignments and researches, the more teachers should keep abreast of trends of learning, new methods and approaches that would be in accordance with the needs and interest of the learners, and the demands of time. This can only be realized if teachers themselves are eager to expand their knowledge by studying more, by reading more, and by exposing themselves more to nonstop learning, relearning, and unlearning.

Undoubtedly, teaching is the noble profession that makes other professions possible. To teach is to touch lives. But touching lives cannot only be done through teaching the ever-changing courses of the curriculum; rather, great teachers extend themselves for the students because learning does not stop in the four corners of the classroom. It incessantly takes place outside its portals where knowledge, skills and attitude are continually developed.