



TARLAC STATE UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND LINKAGES

# 2024

OFFICIAL ANNUAL REPORT



# MANDATE OF THE OFFICE



## OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND LINKAGES

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages plays a crucial role in contributing to the university's vision and mission by fostering global engagement, promoting internationalization, and establishing strategic partnerships. Here are some ways in which the OIAL contributes to the university's vision and mission.



## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

In September 2024, I was entrusted with the role of Director of the Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL). Accepting this responsibility during the last quarter of the year came with its challenges, particularly the unaccomplished targets left by my predecessor that needed to be met before the year's end. However, my love for Tarlac State University outweighed any hesitation, and I embraced the opportunity to serve.

Stepping into the office with my five staff members—most of whom were unfamiliar with its processes—was a daunting experience. The first week was filled with uncertainty, but through dedication and diligence, we took every challenge head-on. Piece by piece, we gathered what was left and began the process of rebuilding.

In just three months, the office was fully operational once again, a testament to the perseverance and commitment of the entire team.

I would also like to acknowledge the contributions of the previous personnel of OIAL, whose efforts laid the foundation upon which we continue to build. Without their work, the progress we have achieved would not have been possible.

My heartfelt gratitude goes to Dr. Arnold E. Velasco, President of Tarlac State University, for his trust and confidence in my ability to lead this office. I deeply appreciate the faith he has placed in me.

To my ever-supportive and hardworking staff—you are the true rockstars of 2024! Your dedication, from the smallest tasks to our greatest accomplishments, has been invaluable. Kudos to each of you for your unwavering efforts.

Above all, I give thanks to our Almighty God. We know that no challenge is too great to overcome with faith, and we entrust our journey to His divine guidance. May He continue to lead us in the years ahead.

Together, let us strengthen the Office of International Affairs and Linkages, bringing Tarlac State University to greater heights on the global stage!



  
Dr. Grace N. Rosete





## GOALS

Tarlac State University is committed to expanding its global reach through the Office of International Affairs and Linkages by fostering international partnerships, developing programs for global learners, and strengthening its presence in the international academic community.

1. Pursue exchange study programs with foreign educational institutions.
2. Foster relationships and cooperation with foreign educational institutions and other entities.
3. Create and design programs suited for international students.
4. Establish a wide network with foreign educational institutions and other entities.
5. Create a niche for TSU in the international educational arena, and promote the Philippines abroad.

## OBJECTIVES

Tarlac State University is dedicated to strengthening its global presence through the Office of International Affairs and Linkages by fostering international partnerships, expanding exchange programs, attracting foreign students, and creating opportunities for academic collaboration, positioning TSU as a recognized educational center worldwide.

1. To provide exchange study programs for students, faculty, and staff with educational institutions in the Asian region and with other countries
2. To establish linkages, tie-ups, and partnerships in various areas with International Universities/Colleges and other entities.
3. To attract foreign students to enroll in TSU special programs designed for them
4. To open opportunities for TSU to network with universities abroad.
5. To make TSU known internationally as an educational center

## GENERAL SERVICES

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) oversees the internationalization programs of the University in consonance with the programs and requirements of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).

1. Facilitates and manages agreements with international institutions.
2. Initiates and/or coordinates short-term and long-term international activities.
3. Hosts international delegations and facilitates integration of international students into the TSU community.





# 2024

ACCOMPLISHMENTS



OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND LINKAGES



# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Established and sustained 14 internationalization policies, strategies, and programs.



From LEFT to RIGHT: Osaka University of Economics, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Universitas Katolik Indonesia Atma Jaya, Tarsus University, Gyeongbuk Provincial College, Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology, Global Cyber University, Powiślańska Szkoła Wyższa, Daegu Haany University, Ming Chi University of Technology, The Story Christian Education & Counseling Psychology Research Institute, Asian Coffee Union, Hechi University, Sherlock Institute of Forensic Science India.

Tarlac State University, through the Office of International Affairs and Linkages, in collaboration with various colleges and offices within the university, has established international partnerships strengthened by signed Memoranda of Agreement with 14 organizations—11 academic institutions and 3 industry partners.





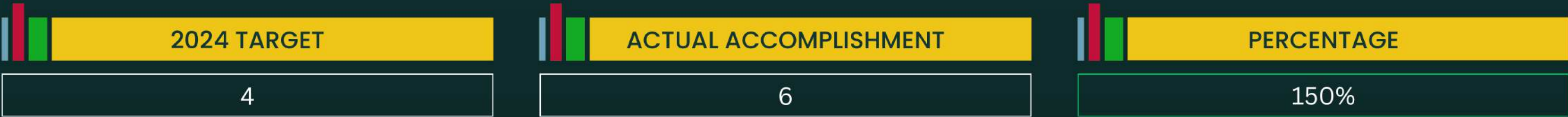


# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained and sustained 6 memberships in international organizations.



Tarlac State University (TSU) continues to strengthen its global presence by being an active member of prestigious international organizations such as ISO-CARP, SDSN, AUAP, ASPA, SEAMEO, and UMAP. These memberships serve as a strategic platform for TSU to engage in international collaborations, academic exchanges, and research initiatives that align with its vision of global excellence. By fostering partnerships with institutions worldwide, TSU takes a significant step forward in enhancing its academic standards, expanding opportunities for faculty and students, and positioning itself as a competitive institution in the international arena.







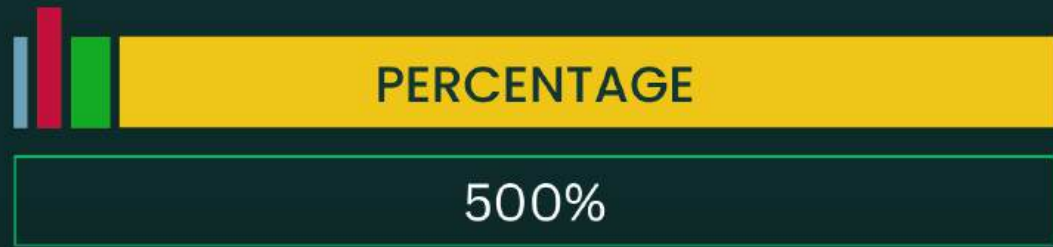
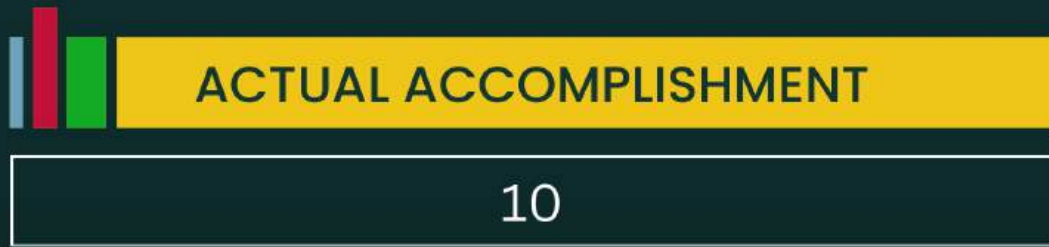
# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Established 10 short-term faculty exchange programs or faculty mobility



Eight faculty members from the School of Law, one from the College of Education, and one from the College of Criminal Justice Education participated in a short-term faculty exchange.

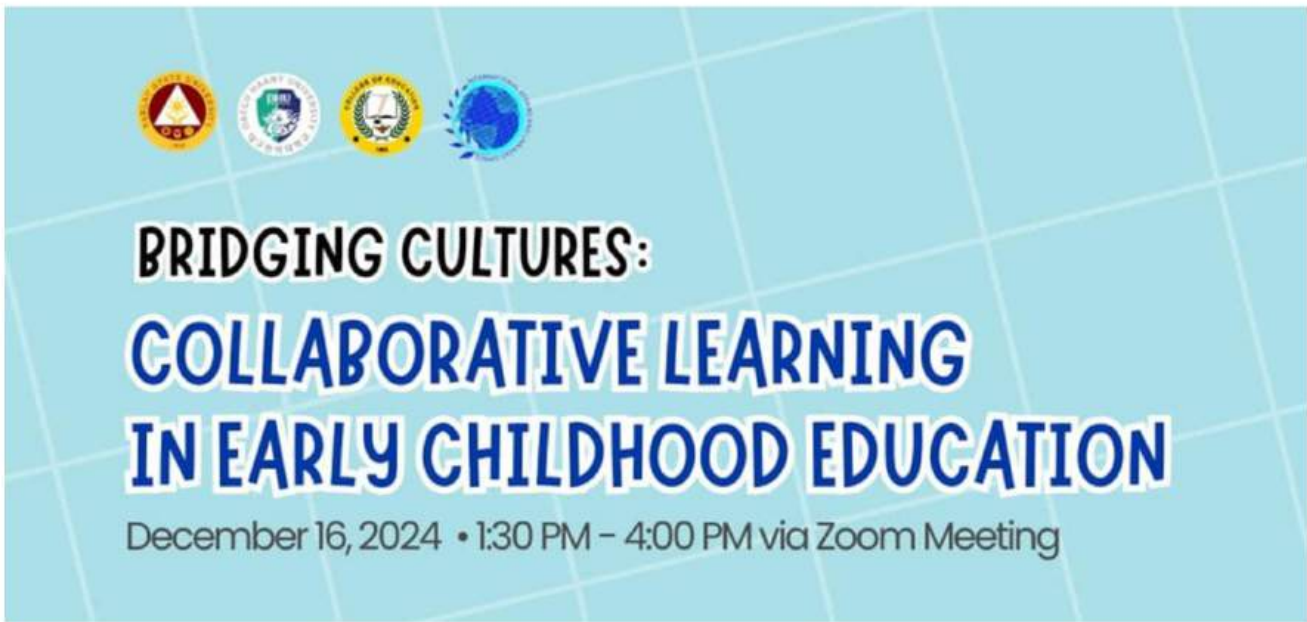
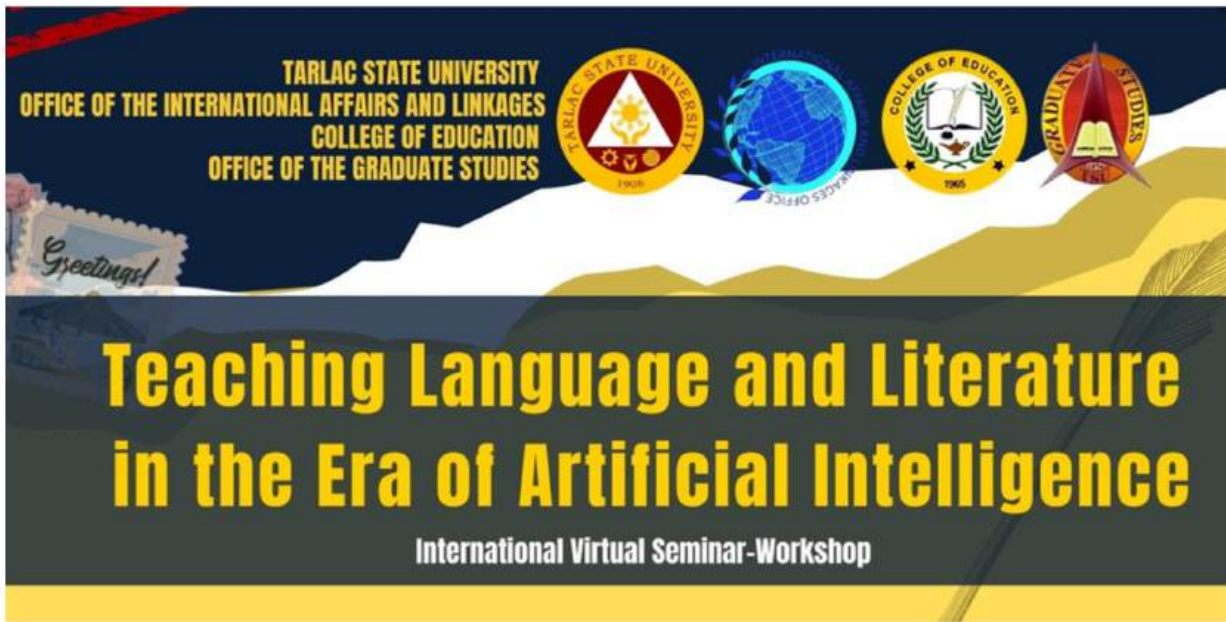
Dr. Joanne Marie I. Escalona served as a speaker and lecturer in an international webinar, as part of the collaboration between Tarlac State University and Daegu Haany University, as stipulated in the signed MOA. Dr. Roel R. Alviar, Dr. Jose I. Dela Rama Jr., Atty. Carissa Balilia, Atty. Mykedox Cuchapin, Atty. Raynielle Magcalas, Atty. Mildred Martinez-Tria, Atty. Jewel O. Dela Cruz, and Atty. Glenn Luansing also served as speakers at the 5th International Forensic Science Conference, alongside other speakers from international member institutions.





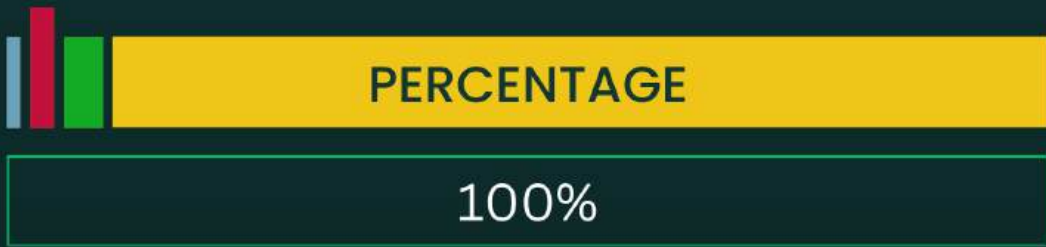
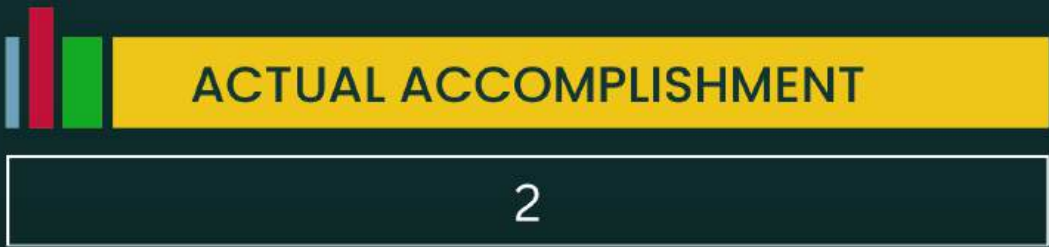
# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Established 2 short-term student exchange programs or student mobility



The Office of International Affairs and Linkages facilitated and organized two webinars as part of its collaboration with Hechi University in China and Daegu Haany University in South Korea.

Graduate students from the PhD in English program attended the webinar series Teaching Language and Literature in the Era of Artificial Intelligence, which took place on November 9, 16, and 23. Selected BSEE students from the College of Education participated in the webinar Collaborative Learning in Early Childhood Education alongside students from Daegu Haany University.







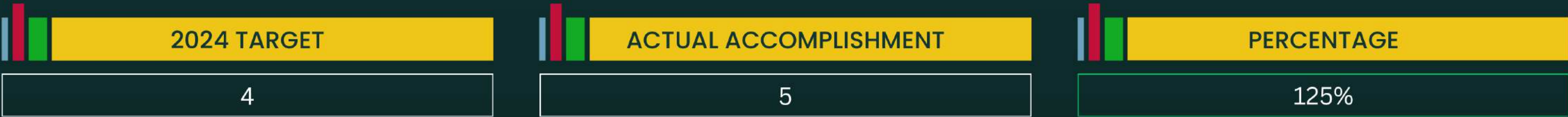
# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Sustained and established 5 glocalization plans

- ☒ Selection Criteria for International Travels
- ☒ Institutionalizing IZN Plans for Colleges & Offices
- ☒ Creation of Proforma MOA for International Partners
- ☒ CHEDROIII: Signed Commitment to apply for AppliedHE & other International Rankings in 2025
- ☒ Creation Times Higher Education Committee

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages sustained and established five glocalization plans in 2024. One key initiative is the creation of a proforma MOA for international partners, streamlining the process from verifying partner legitimacy to ensuring fair provisions for both TSU and its collaborators. Additionally, a Selection Criteria for International Travels was developed to provide fair opportunities for TSU employees to participate in international engagements.

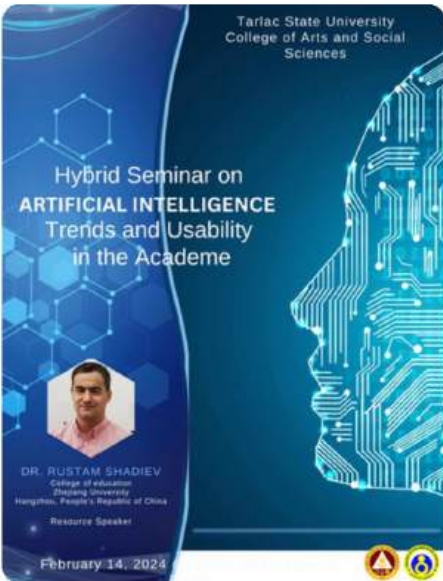
Other efforts include the Creation of the Times Higher Committee, which focuses on TSU’s qualification for international rankings, and the Institutionalization of IZN Plans for Colleges and Offices, ensuring all university units engage in global initiatives. Lastly, TSU has made a formal commitment to qualify for AppliedHE and other international rankings in 2025.





# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Conducted 9 virtual or in-person international training or workshops



From LEFT to RIGHT: Teaching Language and Literature in the Era of Artificial Intelligence, Bridging Cultures: Collaborative Learning in Early Childhood Education, 2024 International Volunteers Day, A Lecture on Linguistic Anthropology and Ilocano Studies, Training-Workshop on Researchers' Qualities and Journal Publication, 5th International Forensic Science Conference: Forensic Science Without Borders, From Bean to Cup: An International Seminar and Workshop on Coffee Industries, Hybrid Seminar on Artificial Intelligence, Trends, and Usability in the Academe. [Not in the picture] International Training-Workshop: Advancing Innovation & Technology for Smart Sustainable Cities & Communities. (4 Virtual – 5 In-Person)

2024 TARGET	ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT	PERCENTAGE
5	9	180%





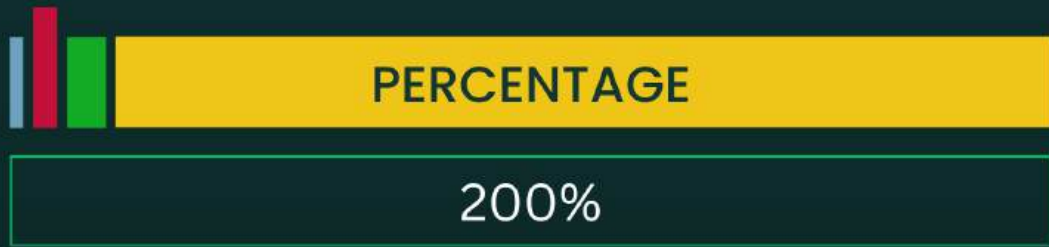
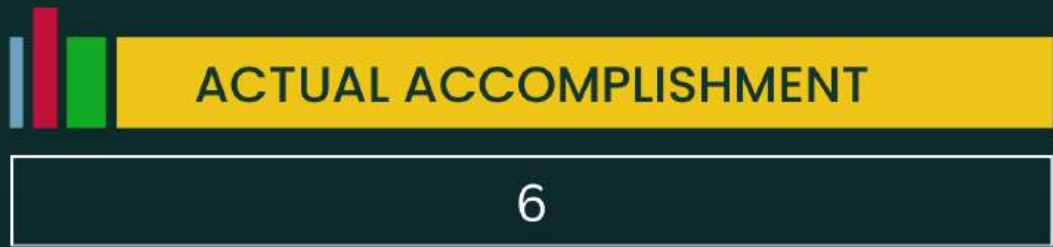
# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Enhanced 6 partnerships with international organizations



Over the years, Tarlac State University has sustained its memberships in international organizations. Through the Office of International Affairs, TSU remains an active member, a significant step in enhancing its academic standards and expanding opportunities for the TSU community.

One of the university's most notable memberships is being the sole state university affiliated with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). This reflects TSU's continuous commitment to inclusivity and its contribution to supporting refugees worldwide.





# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Established 3 partnership with international organizations.



In 2024, Tarlac State University (TSU) strengthened its global presence by joining three international organizations: USAID, ASPA, and ISOCARP. These memberships enhance TSU’s commitment to academic excellence, research collaboration, and international engagement.

Through USAID, TSU gains opportunities for development initiatives, while ASPA supports its advancement in public administration. ISOCARP further connects TSU to global urban and regional planning networks, reinforcing its role in innovation and sustainable growth.





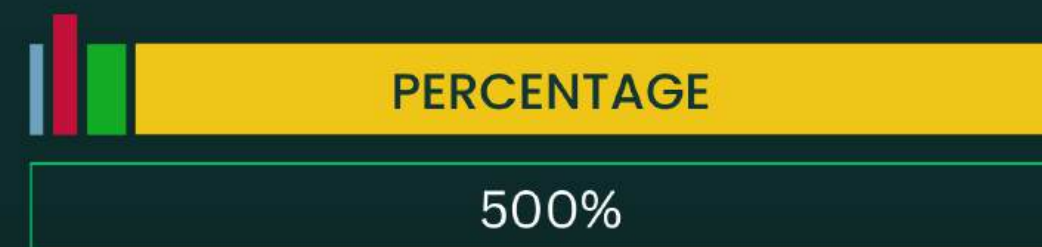
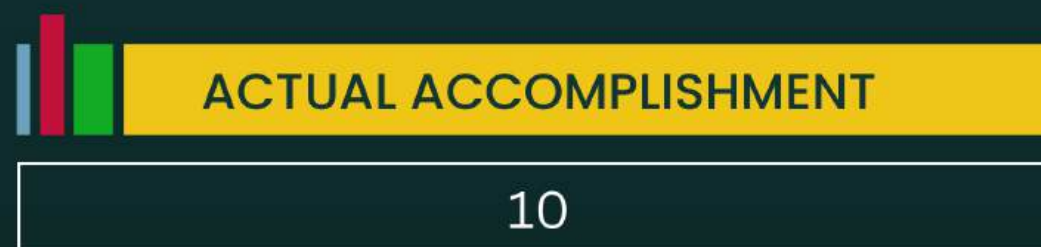
# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Established 10 partnerships with foreign higher education institutions.



In 2024, Tarlac State University (TSU) partnered with 10 foreign higher education institutions, including Osaka University of Economics, Universitas Katolik Indonesia Atma Jaya, and Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology. These collaborations enhance research, student and faculty exchanges, and academic development.

By expanding its global network, TSU strengthens its commitment to excellence, cross-cultural learning, and innovation, further integrating into the international academic community.





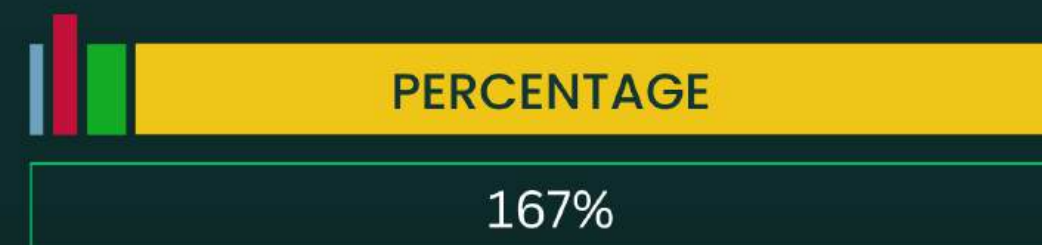
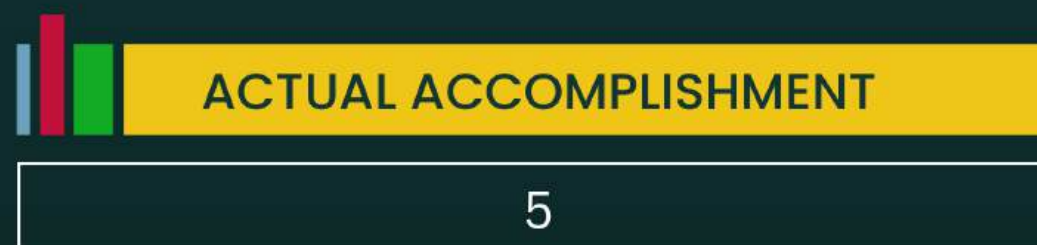
# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Enhanced 5 partnerships with foreign higher education institutions.



Daegu Haany University, Tarsus University, Universitas Katolik Indonesia Atma Jaya, Powiślański University, and Hechi University have been long-standing partners of Tarlac State University (TSU). In 2024, they strengthened their collaboration by transitioning from a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

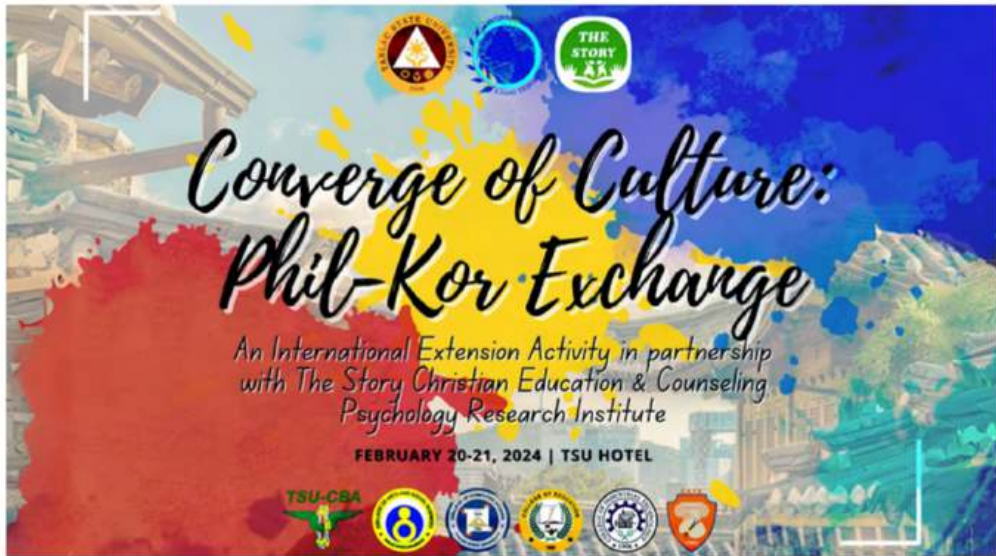
This enhancement introduced new provisions and projects, paving the way for deeper academic cooperation, joint research initiatives, and expanded opportunities for students and faculty.





# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Conducted 3 community extension services as a result of partnerships



Tarlac State University (TSU) conducted community service initiatives in collaboration with its international partners. In partnership with The Story Christian Education & Counseling Psychology Research Institute, TSU held a cultural extension activity showcasing the diverse traditions of their respective countries.

Meanwhile, TSU and the Asian Coffee Union organized a seminar-workshop for coffee business owners in Tarlac City, providing insights into industry trends and best practices. Additionally, TSU, together with the TSU Alumni Office and the TSU Alumni Singapore Chapter, hosted a seminar for overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) in Singapore, educating them about their rights and labor protections.

2024 TARGET	ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT	PERCENTAGE
2	3	150%

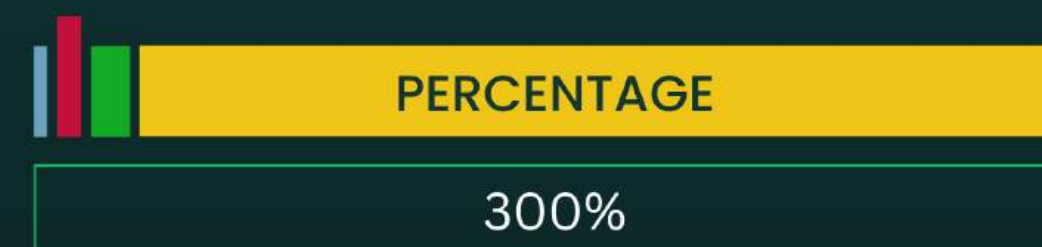
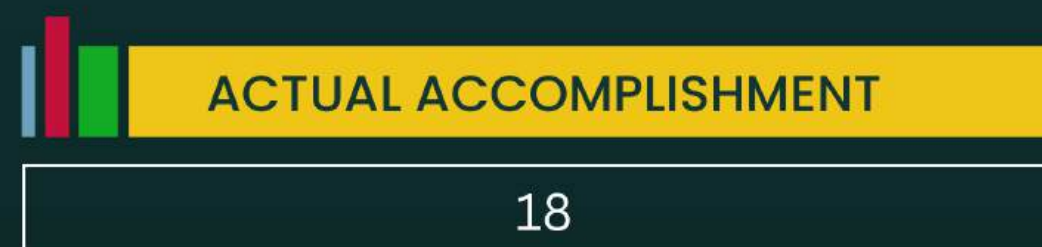


# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 18 faculty members engaged in international mobility



NOTE: The number in the upper left corner of a name indicates how many times an individual has participated in international mobility.





# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 46 undergraduate students engaged in international mobility.



TSU gained international recognition in 2024, with the Performing Arts Hip-hop Dance Group winning the World Cup Champion title at the ICU competition in South Korea and the TSU Chorale securing Gold Awards at the Taipei International Chorale Competition in Taiwan. Heleina Anjela Quesada also made her mark by placing 3rd in the Indonesia Tarbiyah Fantastic Moment 2024: International Storytelling Competition with her piece DENIED.

Meanwhile, TSU delegates Romer Madrid and Ira Jho Cacanog represented the university at the 34th Virtual COMMTEch Nusantara 2024, while Christine Claire Gavino and Dona Aungon qualified for the HARMONII 2024 program in Indonesia, joining 50 international delegates in discussions on cultural and religious diversity.

2024 TARGET	ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT	PERCENTAGE
10	46	460%



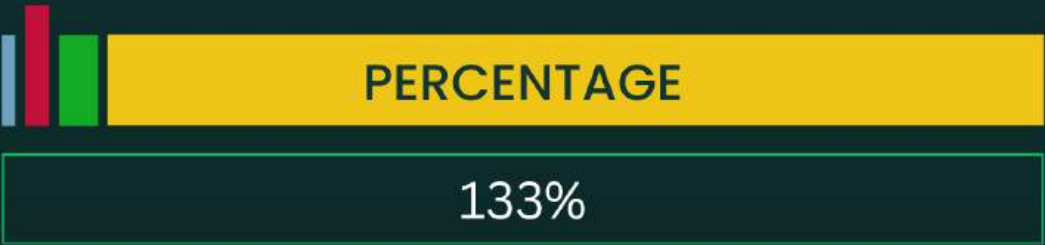
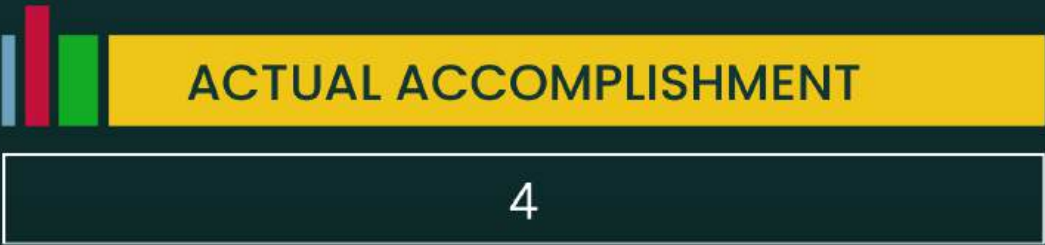


# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 4 foreign students enrolled in the undergraduate degree programs.

NO.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	GENDER	NATIONALITY	PROGRAM
1	Harun	Yasin Arafah Mohd	M	Mexican	BS Mechanical Engineering
2	Kasim	Iman Huson Muhammed	M	Indian	BS Computer Science
3	Rani	Isha	F	Indian	BS Hospitality Management
4	Naser	Sohel	M	Mexican	BS Civil Engineering

NOTE: Data retrieved as of December 31, 2024



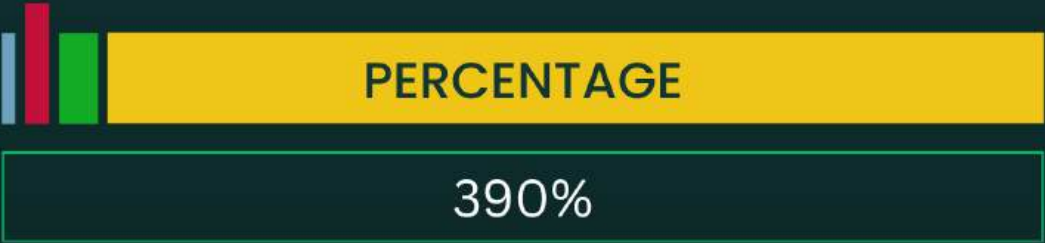
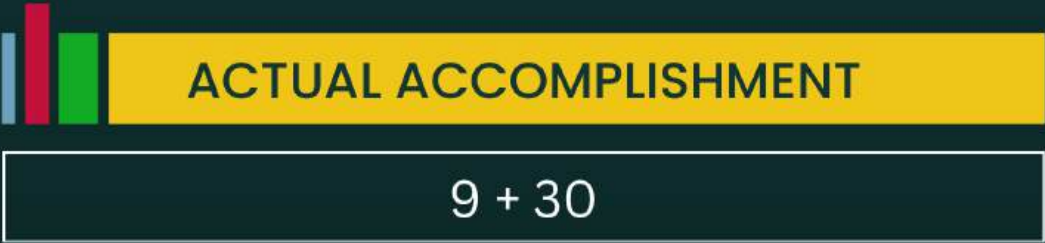


# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 39 foreign students enrolled in the graduate degree programs.

NO.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	GENDER	NATIONALITY	PROGRAM
1	Ghaleb	Khaled Hasan	M	Kenyan	MSEE Power Systems
2	Wang	Xinxin	M	Chinese	DEd Educational Management
3	Lu	Guanming	F	Chinese	DEd Educational Management
4	Wu	Hongling	M	Chinese	DEd Educational Management
5	Du	Yuqian	F	Chinese	MAEd English
6	Abdelmutaal	Mahmoud	M	Nigerian	Doctor of Business Administration
7	Lin	Na	F	Chinese	PhD English Language Education
8	Zhuang	Guobao	M	Chinese	Doctor of Business Administration
9	Lee	Jiyoung	F	Korean	PhD English Language Education

NOTE: Data retrieved as of December 31, 2024. The list includes 30 students enrolled in AY 2023–2024, plus 9 new enrollees.





# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 17 faculty from foreign higher education institutions engaged as lecturer, speaker, cooperating instructor, or other similar academic roles.



Dr. Dana Osborne  
Toronto Metropolitan University, Canada



Dr. Jonathan R. Carreon  
Huachiew Chalermprakiet University, Thailand



Dr. Rustam Shadiev  
Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China



Dr. Supakorn Phoocharoensil  
Thammasat University, Thailand



Dr. Herri Mulyono  
Universitas Muhammadiyah, Indonesia



Dr. Supakorn Phoocharoensil  
University of Trisakti, Indonesia



Dr. Ranjeet Singh  
Sherlock Institute of Forensic Science, India



Dr. David Perrodin  
Mahidol University, Thailand



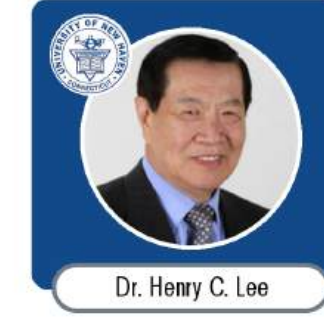
Dr. Neupane Bharat  
Kathmandu University, Nepal



Dr. Xuanyan Gong  
Hechi University, China



Prof. Rajinder Singh Chandel  
Punjabi University, Patiala, India



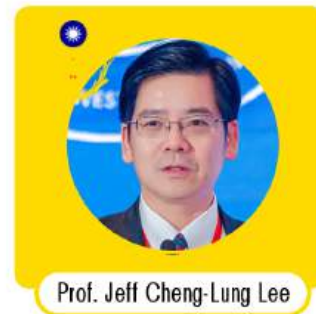
Dr. Henry C. Lee  
University of New Haven, USA



Dr. Surbhi Mathur  
National Forensic Sciences University, India



Dr. Emilio Nuzzolese  
University of Turin, Italy



Prof. Jeff Cheng-Lung Lee  
Taiwan Police College, Taiwan



Chun-I P. Chen  
California State University, USA



Dr. Sumit Kumar Choudhary  
Rashtriya Raksha University, India

2024 TARGET

10

ACTUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT

9 + 30

PERCENTAGE

390%



# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 10 of full-time faculty engaged in short-term faculty exchange programs as lecturer, speaker, cooperating instructor, or other similar academic roles.



Atty. Glenn Luansing



Atty. Jewel O. Dela Cruz



Atty. Mariemeir Marcos - Rivera



Atty. Mildred Matinez-Tria



Dr. Joanne Marie I. Escalona



Atty. Carissa Balila



Dr. Jose I. Dela Rama Jr.



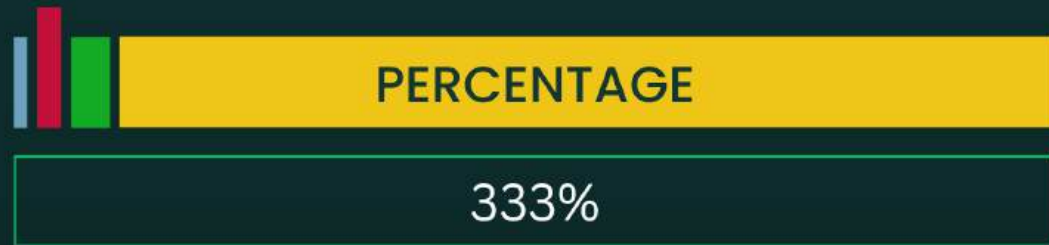
Atty. Mykedox Cuchapin



Atty. Raymielle Magacalas



Dr. Roel R. Alviar





# 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Attained 52 inbound students participating in short-term international student exchange programs.

Tue, Feb 27, 2024

## TSU welcomes 13 Japanese students for Academic and Cultural Interchange Program

Tarlac State University welcomes 13 Japanese students from Osaka University of Economics (OUE) for their two-week academic and cultural interchange through the English Language Proficiency Program (ELPP) on Tuesday (February 27) morning at the College of Arts and Social Sciences (CASS) theater room.



Osaka University of Economics  
2-chôme-2-8 Ōsumi, Higashi-odogawa Ward, Osaka, 533-0015, Japan  
13 Participating Students



TSCECPRI  
91-28 Sang Gye 3 Dong, Nowon Gu, Seoul, South Korea  
7 Participating Students



Daegu Haany University  
South Korea, Gyeongsangbuk-do, Gyeongsan 한익대로 1  
32 Participating Students

TSU, through the Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL), welcomed 52 inbound students for short-term international student exchange programs.

Osaka University of Economics participated in a two-week English Language Proficiency Program organized by OIAL, while students from The Story Christian Education & Counseling Psychology Research Institute engaged in a Cultural Exchange Program. Meanwhile, Daegu Haany University students joined a webinar facilitated by the College of Education.







# 2024

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS



OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND LINKAGES





# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## JANUARY

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL )started 2024 with a series of internationalization initiatives aimed at strengthening partnerships and providing support for students and faculty.



Benchmarking visit by [above] Rizal Technological University (RTU) and [below] Pampanga State Agricultural University (PSAU) to Tarlac State University.

Benchmarking visits from Rizal Technological University (RTU ) and Pampanga Agricultural State University (PSAU )to Tarlac State University (TSU ) highlighted best practices in global engagement, fostering collaboration in academic and research endeavors. These visits provided an opportunity for TSU to share its internationalization strategies while gaining insights from partner institutions.



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In addition to institutional collaborations, OIAL facilitated the orientation for the Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology's Global Intern Program, preparing participants for their academic and cultural experience.

The office also took part in the UNHCR Complementary Pathways (CPath )Gathering at La Salle, strengthening TSU's role in supporting refugee education initiatives.



UNHCR-CPATH GATHERING: Attended Complementary Pathways (CPath) Gathering at La Salle.

OIAL's initiatives in January 2024 set the stage for a year of strengthened global partnerships, enhanced academic collaborations, and continued support for international students and faculty, reinforcing TSU's commitment to excellence in internationalization.

A significant milestone was achieved through the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA ) between TSU and Osaka University of Economics (OUE ) reinforcing long-term academic cooperation.



TSU-OUE MOA SIGNING: Facilitated the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Tarlac State University (TSU) and Osaka University of Economics (OUE)

Furthermore, OIAL continued its commitment to student and faculty support by assisting foreign students with visa conversions, coordinating CHED legitimacy requirements for faculty international travel, and addressing various student concerns related to international engagements.





# OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## F E B R U A R Y

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) continued to strengthen TSU's global presence in February 2024 through key partnerships, academic collaborations, and student mobility programs.

The month began with the signing of Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) and Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) with four esteemed international institutions: Osaka University of Economics, Asia Coffee Union, Gyeongbuk Provincial College, and Global Cyber University.



MOA SIGNING: MOU/MOA signings with, Osaka University of Economics, Asia Coffee Union, Gyeongbuk Provincial College, and Global Cyber University.

These agreements paved the way for expanded academic cooperation, research collaboration, and student exchange programs.

OIAL also participated in significant international discussions, beginning with the Asia-Pacific Complementary Pathways Community of Practice Meeting in Manila, hosted by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). These engage-



ments reinforced TSU's commitment to supporting global education initiatives and humanitarian efforts.

The office also took part in UNHCR's Annual Strategic Moment of Reflection in Quezon City, further strengthening its role in advocating for inclusive education and refugee support.

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The month concluded with a series of engagements with Osaka University of Economics (OUE) starting with a welcome program for visiting Japanese students, followed by the commencement of their two-week English Language Proficiency Program (ELPP). To mark the end of their stay, OIAL hosted a cultural exchange activity as part of their farewell party, celebrating the strong ties between TSU and its Japanese partners.



INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR: Conducted "From Bean to Cup" international seminar with the Asian Coffee Union.



Additionally, OIAL spearheaded the 'From Bean to Cup' international seminar in collaboration with the Asian Coffee Union, providing valuable insights into the coffee industry.

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In terms of international mobility, two TSU students were to participate in HARMONII 2024 in Indonesia, providing them with a platform to explore Indonesia's cultural and religious diversity.

Meanwhile, as part of TSU's partnership with The Story Christian Education & Counseling Psychology Research Institute (TSCECPRI) OIAL organized a Phil-Korean Cultural Exchange, fostering cross-cultural understanding between Filipino and Korean students.

With these accomplishments, OIAL continues to



to drive TSU's internationalization efforts forward, fostering meaningful collaborations and expanding opportunities for students and faculty on the global stage.





# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## MARCH - JULY

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) sustained its momentum in global partnerships and academic initiatives from March to July 2024, marking significant achievements in international mobility, student exchange programs, global rankings, and benchmarking activities.

March began with the successful completion of HARMONII 2024, where two TSU students participated in an international mobility program in Indonesia. This opportunity allowed them to engage in meaningful discussions on cultural and religious diversity, further enriching their global perspective. Shortly after, TSU concluded the Short-Term Inbound Student Exchange Program for students from Osaka University of Economics (OUE) marking the completion of their two-week English Language Proficiency Program (ELPP). The program strengthened TSU's academic exchange initiatives and fostered deeper connections with its Japanese partner institution.

A major milestone in TSU's international standing was its recognition in the World's Universities with Real Impact (WURI) 2024 Rankings. TSU secured the 281st overall spot and earned high placements in key categories, ranking 30th in Student Support and Engagement, 39th in Crisis Management, and 52nd in Funding. These rankings underscore the university's commitment to student welfare, institutional resilience, and resource management.

From May to July, OIAL facilitated multiple benchmarking visits, emphasizing TSU's role as a model institution for various academic and administrative programs.



BENCHMARKING: PUP-EMO visited TSU OUES for a benchmarking activity on the Project Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting System (PMERS).

On May 7, 2024, Bataan Peninsula State University (BPSU) benchmarked the College of Science, gaining insights into TSU's best practices. Additionally, the Polytechnic University of the Philippines - Extension Management Office (PUP-EMO) visited TSU's Office of University Extension Services (OUES) to study the Project Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting System (PMERS), a crucial tool for tracking extension initiatives. The Cavite State University (CavSU) also conducted a benchmarking visit to TSU-OUES, focusing on extension systems, proposal development, and PMERS.



CavSU visited TSU-OUES to learn about its extension systems, proposals, and PMERS.



BENCHMARKING: Rizal Technological University (RTU) benchmarked the Bachelor in Human Services program of the College of Arts and Social Sciences.

Lastly, Rizal Technological University (RTU) benchmarked TSU's Bachelor in Human Services program under the College of Arts and Social Sciences (CASS) further fostering academic collaboration and innovation.

With these achievements, OIAL continues to drive TSU's internationalization and institutional excellence, strengthening academic partnerships and solidifying the university's reputation as a globally competitive institution.





# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## AUGUST - SEPTEMBER

The Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) remained steadfast in advancing TSU's internationalization efforts and institutional excellence in August and September 2024. Key initiatives focused on supporting international students, sustaining global memberships, and exploring new collaborations with foreign institutions and organizations.

In August, OIAL facilitated the enrollment and endorsement of International Scholar Sohail Mohamad Naser into the College of Engineering, ensuring a smooth transition into TSU's academic environment.

Additionally, the office processed visa extensions for international students, reaffirming its commitment to student support. TSU also sustained its memberships in prominent global organizations, including the University Mobility in Asia and the Pacific (UMAP), the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO), the Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP), and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN), further solidifying its presence in international academic circles.

September was marked by strategic planning and a series of exploratory meetings to expand TSU's global network.



The new OIAL staff assumed office on September 3 and immediately conducted Annual Strategic Planning for FY 2024-2025 in Baguio City, setting the direction for the university's international programs and partnerships.

The office engaged in collaborative discussions with Osaka University of Economics through a meeting with Ms. Janet Oishi, focusing on future academic engagements.



Further exploratory meetings were held with Dr. Ji Young Lee, strengthening TSU's partnerships with Kimpo University, Seoul Theological University, Asia Coffee Union, and Global Cyber University. Another online meeting with the University of Applied Sciences for Health Professions Upper Austria explored potential student exchange programs, expanding opportunities for international mobility. [END]



OIAL also initiated discussions with FESTO for potential collaborations in academic and technical fields. Lastly, a meeting with Ms. Iris Joy Tayag of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) reaffirmed TSU's involvement in the Complementary Pathways (CPath) Program, highlighting the university's commitment to inclusivity and global education initiatives.

Through these engagements, OIAL continues to position TSU as a globally competitive institution, fostering academic excellence, international mobility, and meaningful collaborations with esteemed partners worldwide.





# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## OCTOBER

In October 2024, the Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) continued to strengthen TSU's global engagement through academic partnerships, student support initiatives, and international events.

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OIAL also commemorated the 57th ASEAN Day with the ASEAN Cook-Off Competition and Mr. & Ms. ASEAN 2024, aligning with the theme "Connected & Resilient Community".

The month also saw significant academic initiatives, including the 5th International Forensic Science Conference planning, where OIAL engaged in global partnership discussions on forensic science advancements, cross-border cooperation, and collaborative research opportunities.



5th International Forensic Science Conference Planning held at Provincial Government of Tarlac

Expanding TSU's global partnerships, OIAL held exploratory meetings with Prof. Mon-Wen of Gumi University and Dr. Ji Young Lee, focusing on funded student training and academic collaborations. Another exploratory meeting with Wanbo Human Resources Service Co. Ltd. explored internship opportunities for TSU students in 5-star hotels in Shanghai, covering logistics, duration, and academic alignment. Additionally, the office provided essential support to foreign students Ms. Bifang Zhou, Ms. Yuqian Du, and Mr. Xiaoxuan Liu in processing their student visa documents, ensuring smooth integration into the university.







# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## OCTOBER

TSU reinforced its commitment to refugee education by attending a dinner meeting at EDSA Shangri-La with Dr. Stanley Tan and UNHCR representatives to discuss financial support for CPATH scholars, ensuring sustained assistance for international students in need.



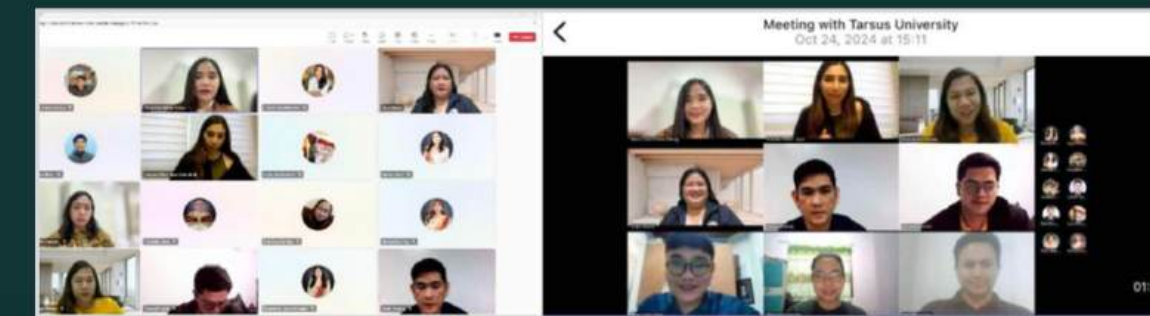
OIAL also assisted foreign students Hongling Wu, Xinxin Wang, and Guanming Lu in processing their student visa documents, ensuring their smooth transition and compliance with local regulations.

To enhance TSU's curriculum and instructional strategies, OIAL, alongside the Office of Quality Assurance (OQA) the Office of Curriculum and Instruction (OCI) and the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs (OVPA) held a strategic meeting to explore curriculum enhancements that align with global educational standards.



Additionally, a consultation with the Office of the University Legal Counsel (OULC) refined the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) template, which was later approved by the Administrative Council on November 12, 2025.

TSU's international partnerships also progressed with a virtual exploratory meeting with Tarsus University, focusing on student exchange opportunities for the College of Public Administration and Governance, aligning academic strengths with global mobility initiatives.



Meanwhile, TSU formalized its partnership with Hechi University through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing, reinforcing the institutional collaboration.







# OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## NOVEMBER

In November 2024, the Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) played a pivotal role in advancing TSU's internationalization efforts through strategic planning, academic collaborations, and student support services.

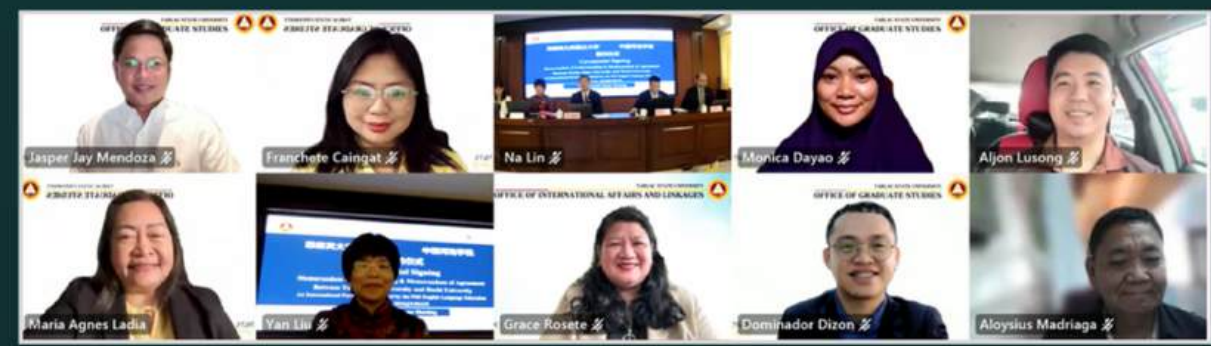
Dr. Rosete presented the Pipeline Projects for 2025, outlining key initiatives that align with the university's long-term strategic goals, ensuring continuous growth and global competitiveness



As part of its commitment to international mobility, OIAL and the Student Selection Board established clear eligibility criteria for the AYLTL 2025, promoting fairness and transparency in the student selection process.



Additionally, TSU reinforced its relationship with Hechi University by organizing and facilitating a three-day International Seminar-Workshop on "Teaching Language and Literature in the Age of AI", in collaboration with OGS, COEd, and OIAL.



The Pathways Pilipinas Consortium also progressed as OIAL attended the CPath consultation at San Beda College, contributing to the drafting and finalization of the Terms of Reference, which will define the consortium's structure and governance.

OIAL remained dedicated to assisting international students, retrieving Guanming Liu's ICard and ensuring her smooth departure, while also supporting Mr. Mahmoud Abdelmutaal with his visa extension.

Lastly, an exploratory meeting introduced the Internationalization Plan for MAEd programs, outlining steps to develop partnerships and formal agreements for future academic collaborations. These initiatives reaffirm TSU's commitment to fostering a globally engaged academic environment, providing students and faculty with opportunities for growth and international exposure.



Additionally, during the Internationalization (IZN) Meeting, deans, directors, and IZN coordinators discussed the requirement for colleges and offices to develop their own IZN plans, collate linkages, and propose pipeline projects, reinforcing the university's collective effort toward global engagement. The proposed OIAL databank was also introduced, aiming to centralize and streamline internationalization records.







# OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

# 2024

TSU - OIAL

## DECEMBER

December 2024 marked another milestone for the Office of International Affairs and Linkages (OIAL) as it strengthened academic collaborations, advanced international mobility programs, and enhanced institutional initiatives.

In preparation for the 5th International Forensic Science Conference, OIAL spearheaded planning meetings, defining conference goals, structure, and logistics.



The meeting also established direct communication channels between Tarlac State University (TSU) and the Tarlac Provincial Government, ensuring seamless coordination and real-time updates. The actual 3-day International Forensic Science Conference, co-organized with the School of Law (SOL) the College of Criminal Justice Education (CCJE) and other university offices, successfully gathered experts, scholars, and practitioners in the field.

### HIGHLIGHTS



ICON AWARDS 2024: TSU won an award at the CHED-organized 2025 ICON Awards, received by OIAL's Asst. Prof. Maria Tiara Fatima F. Galang and OQA's Dr. Niño B. Corpuz.

OIAL also facilitated key exploratory meetings to establish new collaborations. The meeting with the College of Engineering and Adapt-IP Philippines Inc. explored research partnerships, academic exchanges, student internships, specialized training programs, and community projects.

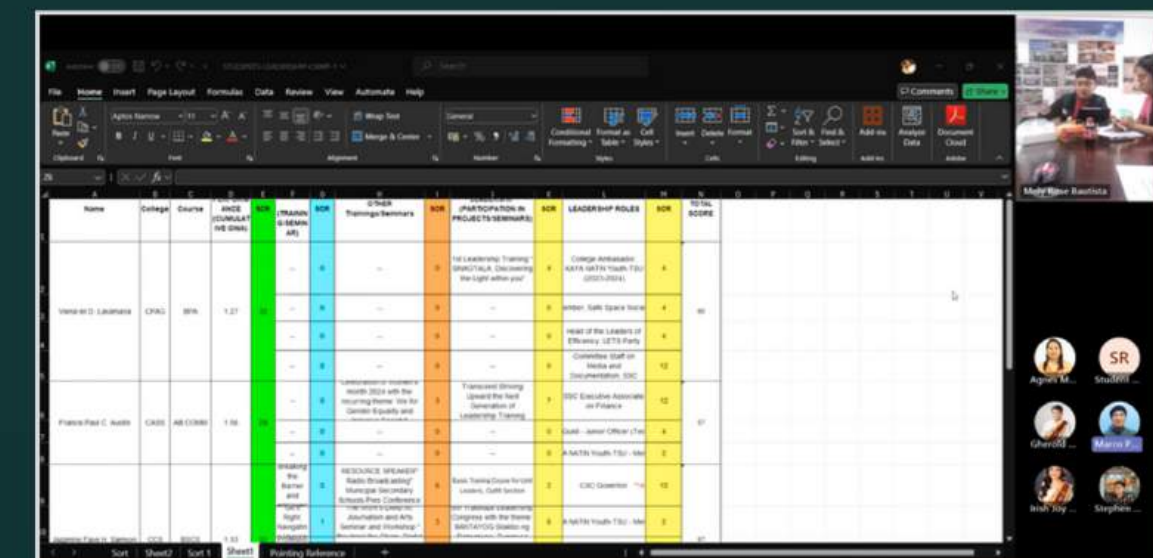


The discussion identified deliverables such as student engagement in research activities and tangible project outcomes.



CHEDRO III ASPIRE 2025: TSU-OIAL, represented by Mr. Marco Polo M Flores & Ms. Mely Rose Bautista, attended a 3-day CHEDRO III conference, committing to strengthen international and global relevance through effective internationalization plans for 2025.

On the international mobility front, the Student Selection Board finalized the list of students for AYLTLC 2025, ensuring that TSU delegates are well-prepared for this global learning opportunity.



Meanwhile, efforts to digitize and streamline institutional records took a step forward as OIAL met with OMIS to discuss the proposed databank's transition to an online platform, with its official launch set for February 2025. These initiatives reinforce OIAL's role in shaping TSU's internationalization agenda, positioning the university as a hub for global collaboration, academic excellence, and research innovation.







# 2024

PIPELINE PROJECTS





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# PIPELINE PROJECTS

FY 2024 – 2025

ORGANIZATION	REQUESTED ACTIVITIES	TARGET DATE	COLLGES / OFFICES INVOLVED
<div><p>Tarsus Üniversitesi Turkey</p></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Faculty &amp; Student Mobility (Inbound &amp; Outbound)</li></ul>	Q1 2025 (continuing)	CPAG
<div><p>Daegu Haany University South Korea</p></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Webinar: Early Childhood Education</li></ul>	Q1 2025 (Dec. 16, 2024)	COEd -ECE Dept.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cultural Exchange</li></ul>	Q1 2025 (Jan. 22, 2025)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Research Collaboration</li></ul>	Q1 2025	COEd -ECE Dept.



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FY 2024 – 2025

ORGANIZATION	REQUESTED ACTIVITIES	TARGET DATE	COLLGES / OFFICES INVOLVED
<div><p>University of Applied Sciences for Health Professions Upper Austria</p><p>Austria</p></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student Internship Program (Outbound)</li><li>• Faculty Joint Lecture (Outbound)</li></ul>	Q1 2025 (continuing)	COS – BSN
<div><p>Australian College of Studies</p><p>Australia</p></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Career Orientation for Graduating Students</li><li>• Career Opportunity</li></ul>	Q1 2025 (Dec. 3, 2024) (continuing)	COS OAA





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<div></div> <div>Osaka University of Economics</div> <div> Japan</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student Mobility (Inbound)</li><li>• Social Service (Extension)</li><li>• Cultural Exchange</li></ul>	Q1 or Q3 2025 (continuing)	CASS OUES
<div></div> <div>Asian Youth Leaders Travel &amp; Learning Camp</div> <div> Singapore</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student Leadership Training (Outbound)</li></ul>	February 13-17, 2025	ALL COLLEGES

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FY 2024 – 2025

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<div></div> <div>Seoul Theological University</div> <div> South Korea</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Philippine Business Companies Visit (inbound)</li></ul>	Q2 2025	CBA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Long-term Student Exchange Program – Business/English (inbound)</li></ul>	Q3 2025 (continuing)	CBA CASS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Short-term Faculty Exchange – Webinar: Language Teaching/Studies (inbound)</li></ul>	Q2 2025	CASS
<div></div> <div>Asian Coffee Union</div> <div> South Korea</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coffee Brewing Training</li><li>International Brewing Contest – TSU will host (inbound)</li></ul>	Q1 2025	COS CBA CFTR

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<div><p>Global Cyber University</p><p>South Korea</p></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Training/Workshop for TSU Students (Partner-funded)</li><li>Research Collaboration RE: The Science of Teaching</li></ul>	<p>Q1 2025</p> <p>Q2 2025</p>	<p>OURD COED</p> <p>COED</p>
<div><p>Gumi University</p><p>South Korea</p></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Free Post-graduate Training (with allowance from the South Korean Government)</li></ul>	<p>2nd Semester AY 2025-2026 (continuing)</p>	<p>COE CIT</p>



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FY 2024 – 2025

ORGANIZATION	REQUESTED ACTIVITIES	TARGET DATE	COLLGES / OFFICES INVOLVED
<div>Shanghai Wanbo Human Resource Service Co., Ltd</div> <div> China</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Student Internship Programs (for BSHM Students)</li></ul>	1st Semester AY 2025-2026	CBA
<div></div> <div>Hechi University</div> <div> China</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>International Webinar Series</li></ul>	November 9, 16, 23, 2024	OGS – PhD English Language Education  OUES
<div></div> <div>Sherlock Institute of Forensic Science India</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>5th International Forensic Science Conference</li></ul>	December 11, 12, 13, 2025	SOL CCJE



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FY 2024 – 2025

PLANS	TARGET OUTPUT	TARGET IMPLEMENTATION DATE	COLLGES / OFFICES INVOLVED
Inclusion of IZN in the curriculum	• Seminar-Workshop on Faculty Integration for Student Workload (SWL) Institutionalization and Authentic Assessment (AuA) Adoption	January 16-17, 2025	ALL COLLEGES OCI, OQA, & OIAL
	• OBTL revision with SWL • Students' TOR with equivalent Credit Hours	1st Semester AY 2025-2026	ALL COLLEGES OCI, OQA, ORA, OMIS & OIAL
Proforma MOA for International Linkages	• Consultation with OULC • BOR-Approved MOA Template	Q1 2025	OULC OIAL
Exploratory Meeting with Potential International Partners:  Kimpo University Andong National University Kyungpook National University King Sejong Institute Foundation	• Signing of MOU/MOA • Research Collaboration • Faculty & Student Mobility • Cultural Exchange	Q1 or Q2 2025	ALL COLLEGES CONCERNED OFFICES




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FY 2024 – 2025

PLANS	TARGET OUTPUT	TARGET IMPLEMENTATION DATE	COLLGES / OFFICES INVOLVED
<div>Potential Partnership with</div> <div> Atma Jaya University Jakarta</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Signing of MOA/MOU</li><li>• Prelaunch – International Conference on Law and Human Security (ICLHS 2025)</li></ul>	October 9, 2024	SOL
<div>Creation of OIAL Databank/Dashboard</div> <div> Office of International Affairs and Linkages</div> <div></div> <div><b>OIAL-IALLA</b> <i>International And Local Linkages Archives</i></div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Collation of IZN data (2020–2025)</li><li>• Design &amp; Layout of IALLA Dashboard</li><li>• Coordinate plans with OMIS</li><li>• Revival of OIAL Subdomain</li><li>• Updating subdomain content</li></ul>	Q1 2025 (2nd Week of February)	OIAL OMIS

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