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NPU-GLOBAL GREEN EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP

The Global Education Consortium (GEC) came full circle with NPU hosting the annual conference on its campus. The GEC was founded in 2006 by NPU and six other universities to promote cooperation among higher education organizations around the world. The conference was attended by Presidents, Vice-Chancellors, Directors, and professors from universities in Chile, China, Japan, Taiwan, Kosovo, Vietnam, and South Korea. The theme of the conference was "21st Century Green Education and Institutional Leadership". The conference was inaugurated with a banquet to welcome these international guests. Members of NPU's advisory board, faculty, staff, and students attended the conference. GEC Chairman, Dr. Jay Thompson, spoke about GEC's role and the importance of green education. Keynote speakers Dr. Manuel Gaspay, Dr. Mervyn Wong, Dr. Hugh Ching, and Dr. Swapna S. Sinha covered topics on Global Green Economy and



Business Management, Green Technology and Future Opportunities, Green Finance and Total Valuation, and Green Education and Curriculum Development, respectively. During the Presidential Forum, presentations were given by delegates from: Universidad del Pacifico (Chile), Saigon Institute of Technology (Vietnam), Kobe University (Japan), Huaiyin Institute of Technology (China), Hsiuping Institute of Technology (Taiwan), Ningxia Institute of Science & Technology (China) Sunlin University (South Korea), Dong Duong College (Vietnam), Mekong University (Vietnam), and Victory University College (Kosovo). One evening, the NPU Student Association entertained the guests with a program which showcased our students' artistic talents.



The conference culminated with the signing of academic cooperative agreements, group exchanges, and discussions on Green Education. The GEC will be held in Chile next year.



NPU-SPONSORED WORKSHOPS ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Higher education accreditation and management workshops were conducted for university delegations from China. 18 delegates representing eight universities from the Guizhou Province of China recently visited NPU to attend this workshop. Topics included an overview of the Silicon Valley Workforce and Education, Innovation and Professional Development in Higher Education, Global Green Education in the 21st Century, Philosophy, Mission and Approaches, Case Studies on Student-Centered Education, and e- Management on Campus.



Agreements for intercollegiate cooperation and exchange were also signed.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: MILPITAS MAYOR SWORN IN

A few weeks after a stunning political victory, Mr. Jose "Joe" Esteves was sworn in as the Milpitas Mayor. He was sworn in to office by our beloved President, Dr. George Hsieh.

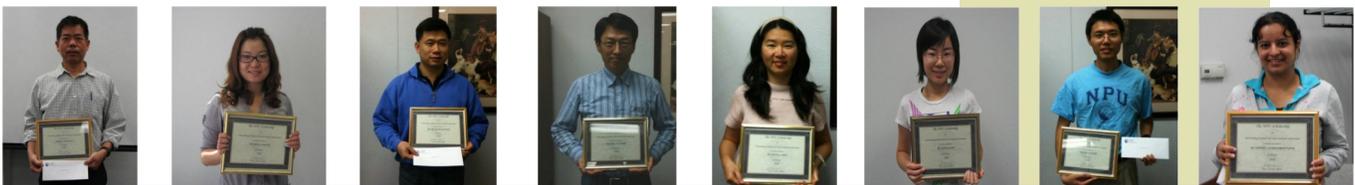
NPU is so proud of his accomplishments as Mayor and his re-election is reason for celebration. Mayor Esteves has been an NPU advisory board member and has contributed many valuable insights for the development of the University.



At the ceremony, the Mayor made a pledge to Milpitas citizens to run a more open, transparent, and more responsive administration. All the best to the new Mayor in the next three exciting years to come!

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

KUDOS TO THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS: The NPU Annual Scholarship Program rewards current students with outstanding academic and extracurricular achievement. NPU is proud to announce the scholarship recipients for 2010. They were awarded with a scholarship prize of \$1000 and a certificate.



From left to right: Dr. Meng-Chun Chao, Ms. Lingling Wang, Mr. Kenneth Yin-Kin Yan, Mr. Jianchern Chen, Ms. Li-Wen Hsueh, Ms. Bujia Zhang, Mr. Yi-Shiang Chen, Ms. Charanpreet Kaur Sandhu

NPU SAP NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

NPU NEWLY PROPOSED MHA PROGRAM

Ms. Flora Chu, Advisor of SAP labs development and the CPA Club, outlines new developments.

NPU Globe Team: Please provide a brief overview about SAP labs.

Flora: The goal in launching SAP labs is to provide a tool which allows students to correlate the academic knowledge with practical hands-on experience so that students get a chance to develop the domain expertise. We selected SAP since it is the most common ERP system which dominates the current high-tech market. SAP caters to small firms to giant corporations, and it is a well-known software globally.

NPU Globe Team: Which modules are covered in SAP labs at NPU?

Flora: The modules covered in SAP labs are: Operations Management, Project Management, Accounting, Controlling, Marketing CRM and Human Resources. These modules provide a very comprehensive view of the SAP software and business operation processes.

NPU Globe Team: What have been the recent developments in SAP labs offered at NPU?

Flora: The Lab Instructors constantly update and refine the lab materials and training style to enhance the learning effectiveness. It is an ongoing effort that we follow the development of SAP and bring students the latest and the greatest!

NPU Globe Team: How are SAP labs beneficial to students?

Flora: The best run businesses run SAP. By knowing SAP, students will differentiate themselves from other job seekers and become more marketable. SAP has gained its number one position of their ERP system, with a 26% market share vs. Oracle's 19%. The main point is that SAP achieves financial excellence, operational excellence, and superior customer value.

NPU Globe Team: Recently you formed the CPA Club. Can you tell us about it?

Flora: The Club welcomes anyone who is interested in preparing to pass the CPA exam and pursue an accounting career. This is a support group where we motivate each other, share comprehensive information, knowledge, and materials for passing the CPA exam! Other than practicing former exam questions, there is also time for fun activities and team building events. Most importantly, the principles of the Club are: professionalism, dedication, and fun!



NPU-SAP Team



The NPU Student Association organized various events, trips, and competitions throughout the fall



semester. There are now over 15 clubs on campus, and the students are energetically involved in these clubs.



Students had fun participating in NPU Idol, trips to San Francisco, the Intel Museum, Ranch San Antonio (for hiking), and attending Halloween and Christmas parties.



Dr. Janelle Lee, leading the MHA curriculum development initiative, talked with the NPU Globe Team.

NPU Globe Team: Tell us about the MHA program.

Janelle: The Master of Health Administration (MHA) program provides students with a comprehensive understanding of patient-centered health care as well as the skills needed to direct administrative and management systems. The MHA students are expected to gain knowledge and skills to prepare for a career in the health care industry, such as in hospitals, public health agencies, and other health-related organizations. The MHA degree will be offered in collaboration with other academic programs in the School of Business & Information Technology and the School of Engineering. The minimum of 36 credit hours is required to graduate with an MHA degree. A prior medical background is not a necessity to enter this program. Broadly, there are two types of MHA applicants: (1) doctors, nurses, and allied health professionals choosing to get a secondary degree in Health Management in order to use their medical background and clinical expertise to serve the broader community. (2) applicants with a non-medical background interested in managing healthcare settings more efficiently to ensure the quality of patient care.



Dr. Janelle Lee
(Dr. P.H., Health Systems Management)

NPU Globe Team: Who is the target audience and what are the career prospects after completing this program?

Janelle: Our school president, Dr. Hsieh, has received several invitations from Asian countries (e.g. China, Vietnam, Korea, Taiwan) where managerial skills in health systems are in relatively high demand. NPU proposes these areas as the target audience to offer an affordable online MHA program in the first phase. Careers in the health care industry, especially health care management, are the high-demand careers of the future. The MHA graduates usually hold management or top-management positions in hospitals, clinics, integrated delivery systems, Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs), home health agencies, federal regulatory agencies, medical group practices, Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs), Long-Term Care Facilities (LTCFs), public health agencies, and other health-related organizations.

NPU Globe Team: When would this program be offered?

Janelle: We are very pleased that we have successfully conducted curriculum development meetings and are grateful for the support we have received from our dedicated team, faculty, and staff members. It is estimated that the program will be offered in 2013.

NPU STUDENT ASSOCIATION (NPUSA) EVENTS