Nomination Guidelines for
PARANGAL SA SAMAHANG MAG-AARAL

The University of the Philippines Diliman recognizes the contribution of student organizations to the life of an academic community, to the production of knowledge and to the future of the country. A significant way to recognize the role and relevance of student organizations is given through the Parangal sa Samahang Mag-aaral. The aforementioned award will be given this year to outstanding student organizations that have successfully demonstrated co-curricular and/or extra-curricular achievement and leadership from January to December 2017. The organization must be a registered organization from the time the project was completed up to the present. Awardees shall be nominated in national awards such as the Ten Accomplished Youth Organizations (TAYO).

I.   Nomination Guidelines

A. The Parangal sa Samahang Mag-aaral is open to all college-based and university-wide student organizations that must have been duly-registered for the last two (2) academic years and the current academic year.

B. The nomination may be made by an individual, college and/or by an organization within U.P. Diliman.

C. Only one (1) project entry per student organization can be nominated.

D. The nomination documents must be accomplished and submitted in five (5) hard copies and one (1) soft copy in CD format. The nomination must be accompanied with supporting documents, including the following:

1. completed student organization information sheet, a form to be provided by the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (OVCSA);
2. nomination/endorsement letter- a signed letter indicating the complete name of the nominator and his/her contact details; and the reason why the organization is being nominated for the award;
3. certification from the College Secretary or Student Affairs Coordinator(for college-based organizations)or from the Office of Student Activities (for university-wide organizations) that the organization has been a duly-registered student organization from January to December 2017 and that the organization has not been subject to a serious disciplinary case(s); and

4. Documentation of the organization's nominated project such as photographs, news clippings, and certificates (originals shall be returned to nominee/nominator).

E. The Board of Judges may invite the officers, members and/or the faculty adviser, for an interview and may also ask for additional documentation.

F. The following are the general search rules and regulations:

1. Use white, short (8.5 x 11 in.) bond paper for the attachment containing the organization and program/project profiles.
2. Use only staple wires to put together documents; do not bind or use clear book for project entries for submission.
3. Do not attach other documents that are not required for submission. When necessary, the OVCSA Staff will request for additional data.
4. Lack or non-compliance of search requirements will result in automatic disqualification.
5. The aforementioned rules or waiver of compliance can be modified, changed, or otherwise amended by the Board of Judges at their own discretion if such action would further the purpose of the search and awarding.
6. All decisions of the Board of Judges are final. No correspondence pertaining to these decisions shall be entertained.
7. All materials submitted to the OVCSA may be used by the University for academic, educational, promotional or similar projects.

II. Selection Criteria

The Parangal sa Samahang Mag-aaral will have six (6) project categories for the search. This thematically identifies the main thrust of the organization's project. Such process allows the organizations, the partners, and the community at large to easily capture the vision and goals of a particular project entry. Participating student organizations will select one category that best represents the classification of their submitted project.

The Board of Judgesthat will decide on the award will be guided by the following criteria and their corresponding weights:

1. Impact of the project   25%
   - number of people who have actually benefited from the project
   - effects of the project in the community/school

2. Harnessing the spirit of volunteerism,service and leadership   25%
   - involvement of the community, in planning, implementation,

and evaluation

3. Sustainability   25%
    - alignmentof the organization's objectives
    - conduct of project-related organizational development activities
    - financial resourcefulness
    - networking with alumni and other organizations

4. Creativity and innovation   25%
    - introduction of new ideas and technologies
    - utilization of indigenous knowledge and best practices

Total   100%

III.   Project Categories

Organizations shall be judged on the basis of the submitted **project entry.**The said project entry to be submitted must be a recently concluded project or an ongoing program. A project proposal does not qualify as an entry. The project should fall under one of the six (6) project categories:

1.) Education and Literacy
- The education and literacy category seeks to recognize student organizations that contributed tothe improvement of the quality of education whether inside or outside the University. Examples include the introduction of technology-assisted education, tutorial sessions, alternative learning modules and other means in hastening teaching and learning processes.

2.) Environment and Disaster Risk Reduction
- The environment and disaster risk reduction category seeks to recognize student organizations who have projects designedtopromote environmental protection, ecological awareness, and disaster education.Examples are advocacy workshops, seminars,and other capability-building activities related to environment and disaster risk reduction.

3.) Health,Sports, and Wellness
- The health, sports, and wellness category seeks to recognize student organizations who have promoted activitiesdesigned to foster the well-being of the members of the community being served and spur the holistic and sustainable community development. Examples arecommunity health projects, physical

fitness activities, meal support programs, healthy lifestyle campaigns, innovative food security projects, and among others.

4.) Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- The entrepreneurship and innovation category seeks to recognize student organizations that emphasize the importance of programs and projects as a means of alleviating poverty and improving the standards of living of community members by establishing sustainable livelihood and community developmentsolutions. Examples are social entrepreneurship programs and alternative business methods.

5.) Culture and the Arts
- The culture and the arts category seeks to recognize student organizations that promote the values, beliefs, and traditions of Filipinos and reflect our rich history, heritage, and creative expression. Examples are exhibitions, performances, written outputs, and visual works that promote and advance the Filipino identity and culture.

6.) Peace-building and Social Development
- The peace-building and social development category seeks to recognize student organizations that concern itself with the promotion of peace and development in Filipino communities and the protection of human rights and dignity especially among the poor and marginalized. Examples are campaigns on women empowerment, gender equality, domestic conflicts, and human rights violations.

IV. Deadline for Nominations

All nominations should be addressed to and received on or before **5:00 PM, 16 March 2018:**

> **Prof. Jerwin F. Agpaoa**
> Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
> Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
> 1/F South Wing, Quezon Hall, UP Diliman

The Board of Judges reserve the right to conduct an active search should they deem it necessary.