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MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES MONTH (MSM) 2025

Per letter from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) dated August 20, 2025, the University of the Philippines Los Baños Mathematical Sciences Society (UPLB MASS) will be conducting the Mathematical Sciences Month 2025 this incoming 4th to 31st of October 2025. The month-long celebration will focus on the theme, **"From Equations to Exploration: Mapping the Universe with Mathematical Sciences,"** highlighting the intersection of Mathematical Sciences and Astronomy. Additionally, the **STAT the Fact 2025** is one of the events included in the Mathematical Sciences Month celebration. It is an online infographic-making competition that challenges participants to create an infographic based on this year's theme for the national Statistics Month, open to all Junior High School and Senior High School learners nationwide.

Participation of public and private schools shall be on **VOLUNTARY** basis and in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order No. 12, s. 2025 titled *"Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities"* and DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled *"Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith."*

Attached is a copy of the letter from PSA with the guidelines for information.

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Vigan City Division

Mena Crisologo St. cor. Rivero St. Barangay 9, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur

SUBJECT : [Endorsement] Mathematical Sciences Month (MSM) 2025

Dear Superintendent Eda:

Greetings from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)!

The **UPLB Mathematical Sciences Society (UPLB MASS)**, a duly recognized organization of the University of the Philippines Los Baños, will be conducting the **Mathematical Sciences Month 2025** this incoming **4th to 31st of October 2025**. This year's month-long celebration will focus on the theme, "**From Equations to Exploration: Mapping the Universe with Mathematical Sciences**," highlighting the intersection of Mathematical Sciences and Astronomy. Additionally, the **STAT the Fact 2025** is one of the events included in the Mathematical Sciences Month celebration. It is an online infographic-making competition that challenges participants to create an infographic based on this year's theme for the National Statistics Month, open to all Junior High School and Senior High School students nationwide.

For your reference, enclosed are more details regarding the organization and the aforementioned event. For any concerns or inquiries, you may contact through email uplbmass1973@gmail.com or Ms. Elizabeth S.B. Cagampang, Mr. Lance Andrei B. Gonzales and Ms. Sophia Kriel D. Supangan at 0977-795-0389, 0960-427-1859 and 0919-069-1995, respectively.




We look forward to your participation. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,


ATTY. SHEILA O. DE GUZMAN
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Regional Statistical Services Office 01

Attachment:

1. *Guidelines – STAT THE FACT 2025: "Accelerating the SDG Pace of Progress: Mobilizing Data for All"*

Position	Initial	Date
OIC-SOCD	TOB 	8/20/2025
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STAT THE FACT 2025: *"Accelerating the SDG Pace of Progress: Mobilizing Data for All"*

GENERAL INFORMATION

In celebration of National Statistics Month, and in keeping with the Society's commitment to fostering a deeper appreciation and broader application of the mathematical sciences, the second installment of STAT the Fact is being conducted. This is a nationwide online infographics making competition that aims to encourage creativity and analytical thinking by challenging participants to create an infographic based on this year's National Statistics Month theme in a visually compelling and informative manner, thereby showcasing their skills in visual communication.

I. ELIGIBILITY

- A. This online Infographics Making Competition is **open to all Junior and Senior High School students nationwide**.
- B. Each participating school must be represented by a **maximum of 2 registered students only**.
- C. There is **no registration fee** for this competition.
- D. Participation in this competition means adhering to the competition guidelines set by the UPLB Mathematical Sciences Society.

II. REGISTRATION AND DEADLINES

A. REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Interested participants should register through https://bit.ly/STATtheFact2025_RegistrationForm to secure their slots for this competition. The registration period shall start on **27 August 2025 (Wed) at 8:00 AM** and will end on **29 September 2025 (Mon) at 11:59 PM**. Only a maximum of **30 participants** will be accommodated, following a first come, first served basis. A registration confirmation will be sent via email.
2. Upon registration, participants must accomplish and submit the following in pdf:
 - a. A copy of their most recent *School ID* (in case the school has not yet issued their school ID for A.Y. 2025-2026, the participant can submit *any high school ID* or *valid ID with the participant's picture*);
 - b. Any *Proof of Enrollment* for A.Y. 2025-2026 (*Certificate of Enrollment signed by the school's registrar or principal*, participants may also use this template: https://bit.ly/STATtheFact2025_COE).



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3. The UPLB Mathematical Sciences Society reserves the right to extend the registration period. In case of such adjustments, announcements will be made through the official page of UPLB MASS (facebook.com/uplbmass1973).

B. ENTRY DEADLINE

1. All entries must be submitted on or before **2 October 2025 (Thu) at 11:59 PM** through https://bit.ly/STATtheFact2025_SubmissionForm. Entries submitted beyond the deadline will be **automatically disqualified**.
2. The UPLB Mathematical Sciences Society reserves the right to extend the submission deadline. In case of such adjustments, registered participants will be notified *via* email.
3. All entries will be posted in the official Facebook Page of UPLB MASS (facebook.com/uplbmass1973) on **13 October 2025 (Mon) at 10:00 AM** during the organization's celebration of the Mathematical Sciences Month 2025.

III. COMPETITION MECHANICS

- A. Participants must create an infographic that explains any concept or idea about statistics in relation to this year's National Statistics Month theme: ***Accelerating the SDG Pace of Progress: Mobilizing Data for All.***
- B. Participants are allowed to use **graphic design software tools** (e.g. *Canva, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop*) in creating their entries. The use of **AI tools** is permitted only for minor elements or small components of the infographic (e.g. icons, background textures). However, generating an entire infographic using AI or relying heavily on AI-generated content is **strictly prohibited and may result in disqualification**.
- C. The infographic must only contain factual information, properly referenced in **APA format**. Plagiarism is **explicitly not allowed and may lead to immediate disqualification**. Moreover, the infographics should NOT contain foul, offensive, or controversial content.
- D. The dimensions of the infographic must be at least **1080 x 1920 px** or **9 x 16 inches** in size and in **portrait orientation**. It must be submitted in **PNG format** which **shall not exceed 20 MB in size**. Note that only **one entry** may be submitted per participant.
- E. The entries must be written/composed in **English or Tagalog**.



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IV. CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

A. Entries will be judged using the following criteria:

CRITERIA	POINTS
Accuracy of Information	30
Information found within the infographic is accurate.	8
Information came from credible sources.	8
The concepts discussed are supported by a sufficient number of sources.	7
The concepts discussed in the infographic are properly cited in APA format.	7
Relevance to the Theme	25
The infographics align with the role of statistics in advancing Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).	12
The infographic clearly demonstrates an understanding of how mobilizing data can drive progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).	13
Style/Creativity	25
The concepts are effectively translated to visual form (graphics, color, text and design wise).	7
The infographic exhibits a highly compelling appeal to viewers.	7
The graphics and other visuals used are necessary and relevant to the infographic.	6
The words in the infographic are readable.	5
Conciseness	15
The contents of the infographic are easy to understand.	5
The infographic is not wordy.	5
The infographic presents a concise and coherent discussion of statistical analysis concepts—such as data collection, visualization, and interpretation—within the context of mobilizing data for sustainable development.	5
Spelling and Grammar	5
There are no grammatical and mechanical errors in the infographic.	3
The concepts and/or topics in the infographic are easily understandable because of the lexicon used by the participant.	2
TOTAL	100



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- B. The top three highest scorers will be declared the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners based on their obtained scores. In the event of tie for any placement, the winner will be determined by the number of votes submitted through Google Form (*refer to section V.A. 4.*) linked on the respective posts of their entries on the UPLB MASS Official Facebook page (facebook.com/uplbmass1973).
- C. The judges' decision is final and irrevocable.

V. PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

- A. Aside from the top three winners, there will be a People's Choice Award, which will be determined based on votes submitted through Google Forms. The criteria for the People's Choice Award will be as follows:
 - 1. The voting shall commence as soon as the entries are posted in the UPLB MASS Official Facebook page (facebook.com/uplbmass1973) and it will run until **17 October 2025 (Fri) at 5:00 PM.**
 - 2. Each entry will have a dedicated Google Form linked in the caption of its respective post on the UPLB MASS Official Facebook page.
 - 3. Voters must sign in to their Google account to vote, and only **one vote per email** address is allowed.
 - 4. The entry with the highest number of votes submitted through its respective Google Form will be awarded the People's Choice Award.
 - 5. Suspicious activities such as, but not limited to, use of bots, browser automation, hacking, mass voting from suspicious email accounts (e.g. similarly named Gmail addresses, non-personal or bot-like names) are grounds for **disqualification**. The organization reserves the right to disqualify any entry involved in suspicious activities. If multiple entries are found to be involved in suspicious activities, the organization reserves the right to forfeit the People's Choice Award.
- B. The judge's decision is final and irrevocable.

VI. WINNERS AND PRIZES

- A. Winners will be posted on **18 October 2025 (Sat) at 5:00 PM** through the Official Facebook Page of UPLB MASS (facebook.com/uplbmass1973).
- B. Participants will receive an e-certificate for their participation.
- C. There will be four winners for this competition. The 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place Winners, and People's Choice Award. The winners will receive e-certificate of recognition and the corresponding prizes:



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Place	Prize
1st Place	PhP 3,000 cash
2nd Place	PhP 2,000 cash
3rd Place	PhP 1,000 cash
People's Choice	PhP 1,000 cash