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**2026 NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CURRICULUM STUDIES**

In reference to **Regional Advisory No. 117, s. 2026** titled, "*2026 National Conference on Curriculum Studies*", the Curriculum Studies Association of the Philippines Inc. (CSAPI), an affiliate organization of the Asia Pacific Research Association on Curriculum Studies, Inc. (APRACSI), will be holding its annual National Conference on Curriculum Studies (NCCS) 2026 in a hybrid format at Systems Plus College Foundation, Angeles City, Pampanga on **September 25-27, 2026**.

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Target participants include school administrators, teachers, education supervisors, and researchers. Attendance of interested participants shall be voluntary in accordance with the DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled, "*Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task*" and DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2026 titled, "*Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education*".

The registration fee may be charged to MOOE or other local funds subject to the approval of the respective authorities, upon the availability, and adherence to the usual accounting rules and regulations.

For registration and other concerns, please contact:

**MS. MELANIE JOY D. GUNIO, PhD**

Conference Chair

NCCS 2026

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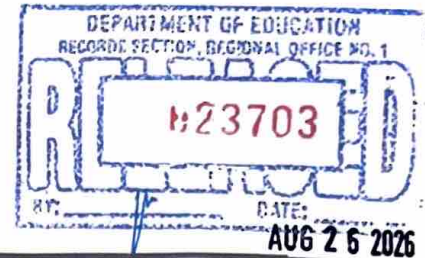
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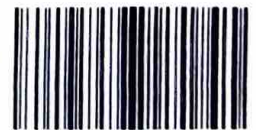
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## CURRICULUM STUDIES AND EDUCATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR CHANGING TIMES



SEPTEMBER 25-27, 2026  
SYSTEMS PLUS COLLEGE FOUNDATION, ANGELES, PAMPANGA

### NCCS 2026 STEERING COMMITTEE

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### National Conference on Curriculum Studies (NCCS 2026)

Date: September 25-27, 2026

Venue: Systems Plus College Foundation, Angeles City, Pampanga

### THEME: Curriculum Studies and Educational Priorities for Changing Times

**RATIONALE:** In an era defined by a **VUCAD (Volatile, Uncertain, Complex, Ambiguous, and Disruptive)** landscape, the Philippine educational sector is at a critical turning point. To remain responsive and future-ready, the nation has identified strategic priorities designed to bridge the gap between traditional schooling and the demands of the 21st-century global economy.

**Curriculum Studies** serves as the structural backbone of this transformation, offering the essential frameworks for designing, implementing, and evaluating these systemic shifts. This conference serves as a premier forum for scholarly discourse and professional exchange regarding these priorities. By pivoting the conversation around the core curricular processes, we aim to deepen collective understanding and cultivate institutional "buy-in," ensuring that these educational innovations move beyond policy and toward successful, sustainable fruition.



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## Strands:

- Expansion of basic education
- Continuing professional development
  - TVET
  - Microcredentials
  - Industry forecasting
- Curriculum and Instructional Adaptations
  - Future proofing
  - Learning recovery and continuity
  - Multi-grade
  - Policy shifts
  - Ladderization
  - Competency-based programs
  - General Education programs
- AI and Educational Priorities
- Character building — how do we work with AI without losing our humanity

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM

| DAY 1 - SEPTEMBER 25 |                    |                                                                       |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Time                 | Activity/Topic     | Speaker                                                               |
| 7:30 - 8:30 AM       | Registration       |                                                                       |
| 8:30 - 9:00 AM       | Opening Ceremonies | <b>Dr. Melanie Joy D. Gunio</b><br><i>Conference Chair, NCCS 2026</i> |





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|                                                      | Welcome Address                                                                            | <b>Ms. Lourdes Bustamante</b><br><i>President, SPCF</i>                                                                     |
|                                                      | Guest of Honor                                                                             | <b>Hon. Carmelo "Jon" Lazatin II</b><br>Mayor, Angeles City, Pampanga                                                       |
| 9:00 - 9:45 AM                                       | Keynote Speech<br><br>"Curriculum Studies and Educational<br>Priorities in Changing Times" | <b>Dr. Shirley C. Agrupis*</b><br><i>Chairperson, Commission on<br/>Higher Education</i>                                    |
| 9:45 - 10:00 AM                                      | Q&A                                                                                        |                                                                                                                             |
| 10:00 - 10:15 AM                                     | Break                                                                                      |                                                                                                                             |
| <b>PLENARY SESSION 1 - Factors in Changing Times</b> |                                                                                            |                                                                                                                             |
| 10:15 - 11:00 AM                                     | Socially responsive and Quality assured<br>Curriculum                                      | <b>Dr. Alyssa M. Peleo-Alampay*</b><br><i>Assistant Vice President for<br/>Quality Assurance, UP System</i>                 |
| 11:00 - 11:45 AM                                     | Driving Forces in Human Resource Learning<br>& Development Programs in Higher<br>Education | <b>Dr. Augustus C. Resurreccion*</b><br><i>Vice President for<br/>Administration<br/>UP System</i>                          |
| 11:45 - 12:00 NN                                     |                                                                                            |                                                                                                                             |
| 12:00 - 1:00 PM                                      | Lunch                                                                                      |                                                                                                                             |
| 1:00 - 1:40 PM                                       | Catalysts for Reform in Basic Education                                                    | <b>Dr. Peter Marc D. Magsalin*</b><br><i>Director IV, Bureau of<br/>Curriculum Development,<br/>Department of Education</i> |
| 1:40 - 2:20                                          | Educational Priorities/Future Directions of<br>Private Education                           | <b>Fr. Karel San Juan, SJ,*</b><br><i>President, Catholic Educators<br/>Association of the Philippines</i>                  |





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|                                                              |                                                                                                           | (CEAP) and Ateneo de Davao University                                                                                                               |
| 2:20 - 3:00                                                  | Educational Priorities/Future Directions of DepEd                                                         | <b>Mr. Janir T. Datukan*</b><br>Asst. Secretary, Learning Systems, DepEd                                                                            |
| 3:30 - 4:30 PM                                               | Round Table Discussions (Research Proposals)                                                              |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5:00 - 7:00 PM                                               | Fellowship                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 3:00 - 3:15 PM                                               | Q&A                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 3:15 - 3:30 PM                                               | Break                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 3:30 - 5:00 PM                                               | Paper Presentations                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5:30 - 7:00 PM                                               | Fellowship Night                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>DAY 2 - SEPTEMBER 26</b>                                  |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 7:30 - 8:30 AM                                               | Registration                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 8:30 - 8:45 AM                                               | Recap of Day 1                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 8:45 - 9:30 AM                                               | Keynote Speech:<br><br>Curriculum Studies and Educational Priorities in Changing Times-Global Perspective | <b>Dr. Patricia E. Halagao</b><br>Professor, Dept of Curriculum Studies and Director, Center for Philippine Studies, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa |
| 9:30 - 9:40 AM                                               | Q&A                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |
| 9:40 - 9:50 AM                                               | Break                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>PLENARY SESSION 2: Continuing Educational Development</b> |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                     |



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| 9:50 - 10:30 AM                                                    | Microcredentialing for Continuing Educational Development                                             | <b>Dr. Ethel Agnes P. Valenzuela*</b><br><i>Advisor on the Passage to ASEAN (P2A) and the Chairperson of the ASEAN AI Council.</i> |
| 10:30 - 11:10 AM                                                   | Continuing Educational Development in TVET                                                            | <b>Ms. Jhen Asedillas-Gopez</b><br><i>Deputy Executive Director of Don Bosco-One TVET Philippines, Inc</i>                         |
| 11:10 - 11:50 AM                                                   | Industry Forecasting                                                                                  | <b>Dr. Ronahlee Asuncion*</b><br><i>Professor, School of Labor and Industrial Relations, UP Diliman</i>                            |
| 11:45 - 11:50 AM                                                   | Q&A                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                    |
| 12:00 - 1:00 PM                                                    | Lunch                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                    |
| 1:00 - 2:30 PM                                                     | Paper Presentations                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                    |
| 2:30 - 2:45 PM                                                     | Break                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                    |
| 2:45 - 4:30 PM                                                     | Round table discussions                                                                               |                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>DAY 3 - September 27</b>                                        |                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                    |
| 7:30 - 8:00 AM                                                     | Registration                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                    |
| 8:00 - 8:15 AM                                                     | Recap of Day 2                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>PLENARY SESSION 3: Curriculum and Instructional Adaptations</b> |                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                    |
| 8:15 - 8:45 AM                                                     | Keynote Speech:<br>Curriculum Studies and Educational Priorities in Changing Times - TVET Perspective | <b>Dr. Francisco "Kiko" Benitez*</b><br><i>Director-General, TESDA</i>                                                             |
| 8:45 - 9:15 AM                                                     | Ladderization                                                                                         | <b>Ms. Jennifer R. Silao</b>                                                                                                       |



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|                                                         |                                                                  | Dean, Don Bosco College<br>Canlubang                                                                       |
| 9:15 - 9:45 AM                                          | General Education Program                                        | <b>Dr. Ruth Lusterio-Rico*</b><br>Dean, College of Social<br>Sciences and Philosophy, UP<br>Diliman        |
| 9:45 - 10:00 AM                                         | Q&A                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| 10:00 - 10:10 AM                                        | Break                                                            |                                                                                                            |
| 10:10 - 10:40 AM                                        | Policy changes to support curriculum and<br>instruction          | <b>Atty. Joseph Noel M. Estrada*</b><br>Managing Partner, Estrada Law                                      |
| 10:40 - 11:20 AM                                        | Learning recovery and continuity                                 | <b>Dr. Diosdado A. San Antonio*</b><br>Manager, Educational Research<br>and Innovation, SEAMEO<br>Innotech |
| 11:20 - 11:50 AM                                        | Multigrade and Alternative Learning<br>Delivery                  | <b>Dr. Gerson Abesamis*</b><br>Director, Bureau of Learning<br>Delivery                                    |
| 11:50 AM -<br>12:05 PM                                  | Q&A                                                              |                                                                                                            |
| 12:05 - 1:00 PM                                         | Lunch                                                            |                                                                                                            |
| <b>Plenary Session 4: AI and Educational Priorities</b> |                                                                  |                                                                                                            |
| 1:00 - 1:45 PM                                          | AI and Educational Priorities in Basic<br>Education              | <b>Dr. Ferdinand Pitagan</b><br>National Teachers College                                                  |
| 1:45 - 2:30 PM                                          | AI and Educational Priorities in TVET and/or<br>Higher Education | <b>Dr. Sherwin M. Pelayo*</b><br>Head, CHED Technical Panel on<br>AI                                       |





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| 2:30 - 3:15 PM | Character building<br>(Focusing on How We Work with AI without<br>Losing Our Humanity) | <b>Dr. Lizamarie C. Olegario</b><br><i>Professor, Educational<br/>Psychology<br/>UP College of Education</i> |
| 3:15 - 3:30 PM | Q&A                                                                                    |                                                                                                              |
| 3:30 - 4:30 PM | Closing Ceremonies                                                                     | <b>Dr. Amelia C. Fajardo</b><br><i>Executive Director, CSAPI</i>                                             |

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