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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013
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BATANGAS YOUTH DEBATE SUMMIT

With reference to the invitation to participate in the activity by University of Batangas-
Main Campus, attached is a copy of letter from Avi Breidelle Ibon, President of Sui
Generis: Brahman Debate Society, containing the details of the activity.

This Office interposes no objection provided that the participation of learners and
teachers shall be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time in compliance
with the provisions of DepEd Order (DO) No. 022, s. 2023 titled Implementing
Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2025-2026 and
DO 9, s. 2005 titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and
Ensuring Compliance Therewith and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DO
66, s. 2017. For the information and guidance of all concerned.

This is also subject to the no-collection policy as stated in Section 3 of Republic
Act No. 5546 also known as An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Tickets and/or the Collection
of Contributions for Whatever Project or Purpose from Students and Teachers of Public
and Private Schools, Colleges and Universities (Ganzon Law), issued in DO 19, s. 2008,
and reiterated in DepEd Memorandum No. 041, s. 2024.

For information and widest dissemination.

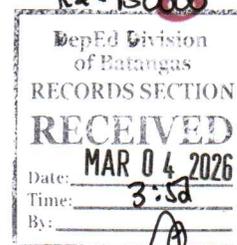
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For: DR. MARITES A. IBANES, CESO V
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From: College of Arts and Sciences - University of Batangas

Date: February 25, 2026

Subject: Permission for invitation to private and public schools to join Batangas Youth Summit 2026

Greetings of peace!

The University of Batangas College of Arts and Sciences and **Sui Generis: Brahman Debate Society** is respectfully seeking permission to invite private and public junior and senior high school students to participate in the **Batangas Youth Debate Summit**, to be held on **March 23-25, 2026**, at the **University of Batangas - Main Campus**. The summit serves as the culminating phase of a province-wide youth development initiative that aims to unite young leaders across Batangas, strengthen debate culture, and promote civic engagement and leadership among the youth.

The objectives of the activity are as follows:

1. To provide a competitive and academic platform for batangueño students to engage in structured debate, deliberation, and intellectual exchange;
2. To strengthen and sustain debate societies in participating schools through mentorship and inter-school collaboration;
3. To expand youth participation in socio-political and civic discourse through debate, policy simulation, and public speaking;
4. To cultivate leadership, ethical reasoning, and democratic values among young learners; and
5. To establish partnerships among schools, non-government organizations, civic institutions, and the University of Batangas.

The Batangas Youth Debate Summit will feature three key events:

1. **Batangas Debate Open** – The first-ever multi-round debate tournament in Batangas aimed at developing argumentation, advocacy, and adjudication skills;
2. **Model Congress** – A simulated legislative assembly that will enhance participants' understanding of policymaking, negotiation, and collaborative deliberation.
3. **Extemporaneous Speech Competition** – Impromptu speaking rounds intended to sharpen critical thinking and spontaneous communication.

In addition, the summit will host **forums and discussions** facilitated by **guest speakers and in partnership with non-government organizations** focusing on youth socio-civic and political participation, particularly within the Batangas context.

Activities will be facilitated by members and alumni of Sui Generis: Brahman Debate Society, together with invited experts and partner organizations, under the supervision of university mentors, with a **registration fee of ₱250 per participant**.

The implementation of the summit will be conducted in phases, beginning with preparatory and outreach activities from September to December 2025, followed by sustaining engagement and training sessions, and culminating in the Batangas Youth Debate Summit and Batangas Debate Open in the second semester of 2026. Selected activities may be documented through photo and video recording for academic, reporting, and promotional purposes.

Participants shall agree to the following:

1. attendance at scheduled summit activities based on the agreed dates and program flow;
2. participation in documentation activities, including photo and video recording of sessions and competitions;
3. consent to the uploading and use of recorded materials on official university and organizational platforms for academic, outreach, and promotional purposes;
4. observance of ethical conduct, professionalism, and competition guidelines throughout the duration of the summit; and
5. compliance with policies set by the organizing committee and the University of Batangas.

In recognition of excellence and to further encourage competitive distinction, the organizing committee shall award the following cash prizes:

- **Batangas Debate Open 2026**
 - Grand Champion – ₱5,000
 - Final's Best Speaker – ₱1,000
 - Overall Best Speaker – ₱1,000
 - Overall Best Adjudicator – ₱1,000
- **Batangas Model Congress**
 - Best Resolution Paper – ₱5,000
 - Best Delegate – ₱1,000
- **Extemporaneous Speech Competition**
 - First place – ₱3,000
 - Second place – ₱2,000
 - Third place – ₱1,000

If you have any queries or clarifications, the organizing committee is prepared to personally coordinate with participating schools. Alternatively, you may contact the designated university coordinator for further information.

Thank you very much in anticipation of your favorable response.

Respectfully yours,



Avi Breindelle Ibon
President, Sui Generis: Brahman Debate
Society

Recommending Approval



Priscilla Mizpah Santillana
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