USAID STRIDE recognizes **BatStateU** for the **KTTO** training program

The USAID-STRIDE, in collaboration with RTI International, recognized BatStateU for completing the KTTO training program, February 21-25 at the Mercure Hotel, Pasig City. BatStateU representatives for the said program were Dr. Leandro A. Dalhag, Head of Innovation, Technology, Support Office (ITSO), and University researcher, Ms. Ivy Fides Perez.

The said program consisted of four modules: (1) PLAN and OPERATIONALIZE module, which covers the setup of KTTO that includes the mission, objectives and communication strategies; (2) LEARN module, whose focal points are building relationships, identifying industry needs and project management; (3) CONNECT module, which tackles prioritizing the university assets, promoting university generated technologies and understanding its value and market; lastly, the (4) DO module, which focuses on the roles of KTTO in aiding start-ups, which highlights the ideology on Design Thinking and Business Model Canvass.

The program aims to improve collaborative science, technology and innovative research and development activities in the Philippines for broad-based sustainable and inclusive economic growth.

BatStateU researchers win awards



Dr. Balazon receives Best Paper Award during the International Research Conference on Information Technology Education (IRCITE) 2018

Dr. Francis G.
Balazon, Associate
Dean of the College
of Industrial
Technology of
BatStateU Lipa, won
Best Paper Award at
the International
Research Conference
on Information

Technology Education (IRCITE) 2018 at Royce Hotel, Clark Freeport Zone, Pampanga last March 3, 2018.

Dr. Balazon's prized paper was entitled, "Job Matching Platform Using Talent Semantic Indexing Algorithm" and tackles mobile application for job matching and an algorithm to recommend suitable jobs to job seekers based on the collection and analysis of information, and applicants on a specific position to employers using latent semantic indexing algorithm.

The said paper was co-authored by AMA University School of Graduate Studies Dean Dr. Shaneth C. Ambat and faculty member Dr. Albert A. Vinluan.

Hosted by the Philippine Society of Information Technology Educators (PSITE) Region 3 in cooperation with Hansung University, around 60 papers were presented highlighting the topics on computer science, information technology, information systems and emerging technologies.



CTE researcher Mr. KC Tejada receives Best Oral Presenter Award during the National Conference on Qualitative Research Methodologies on Action Research

Meanwhile, Asst. Prof.
Kristoffer Conrad
Tejada of the College
of Teacher Education
was hailed as Best
Oral Presenter during
the National
Conference on
Qualitative Research
Methodologies on
Action Research held

at the Queen Margarette Hotel, Lucena City, February 22-24.

Mr. Tejada presented his study "Engaged Reading among Teacher Education Students: Addressing the Challenge of Literary Texts". It focused on the CTE students' use of cognitive capacity to find meanings in texts, as well as their metacognitive awareness of reading strategies in order to be considered engaged readers. Using Birch's Interactive Model of the Reading Process, the study proposed courses of action to increase students' engagement to literary texts.

With the theme, "Strengthening Qualitative Research Capabilities of 21st Century Educators for Proactive and student-Centered Initiatives," the national conference was organized by Quickstart Center for Research and Professional Development. It was participated in by over 50 researchers from all over the country.