A two-day training workshop on Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG) was held on January 31 - February 1 at Tanza Oasis Hotel and Resort at Brgy. Casipsip, Tanza, Cavite. The event was participated by ESO heads and coordinators and Gender and Development head secretariats from across the campuses of the university.

The event aimed to develop the 2019 ESO Programs, Activities and Projects (PAPs) and Budget, and project proposals for the 10-point Extension Agenda.

Lectures were given by the following speakers: ESO Director Asst. Prof. Armando V. Mendoza Jr. who discussed the extension service framework, 10-point extension service agenda and SUC leveling targets, information on the 2019 ESO PAPs and Budget, and the programs Adopt-A-Municipality and ALA-EH; Asst. Director for Institutional and Industry Development Services Dr. Nickie Boy Manalo who discussed about the targets of adopters and viable demonstration projects, and establishing and institutionalizing partnerships, guidelines for technology transfer through extension services; and Gender and Development (GAD) Asst. Director Asst. Prof. Maria Theresa Hernandez who discussed topics on Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG), Identifying and Developing Gender-Responsive Extension PAPs, and Monitoring and Evaluation of the projects.

During the workshop, each participant was tasked to formulate the 2019 work and financial plan as well as the cost of each project scheduled for the 1st and 2nd quarters of the year.

Afterwards, the workshop outputs were presented during the plenary and reviewed by the ESO officials.

A Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) mandatory training was initiated by the BatStateU Rosario Campus on February 23 at Barangay San Roque in Rosario, Batangas.

The activity was done in cooperation with the College of Accountancy, Business, Economics, and International Hospitality Management (CABEIHM) in partnership with the SK and Municipality of Rosario.

The training was participated by 104 beneficiaries including SK secretaries, treasurers and kagawad members. Part of the training was a talk delivered by Ms. Jacquelyn Salazar on the conduct and ethical standards for public officials and employees; and their duties, functions, prohibited acts and transactions.

The SK mandatory training is intended to strengthen and empower SK officials as a useful conduit in community development.