Consistent with the University’s thrust for innovative research, the first Research Bootcamp was conducted on August 9 at the 7th flr, CIRTC building, Pablo Borbon Main I. Spearheaded by the Research office, the event aimed to inform and educate its participants on how to take full advantage of available information, resources, services and project implementation to be able to carry out the best research practices to produce quality outputs. The bootcamp was attended by directors, assistant directors, heads, faculty researchers, and research coordinators. The event focused on three major aspects: 1) the management research projects; 2) the dialogue session with offices concerned; and 3) the Awarding of Notice to Proceed for research proposals. During the opening program, Vice President for Research, Development and Extension Services Engr. Albertson Amante, discussed the importance of faculty commitment in the University’s research initiatives and the measures to consider in order to adapt to the evolving research standards.

The morning session concentrated mainly on five subject areas, each discussed by a presenter from corresponding offices: 1) updates on research workflows; 2) laboratory capabilities and other resources; 3) available search engines; 4) submission of reports and requests; and 5) required outputs. A brief exchange during the Q&A session was held at the end of each discussion.

During the dialogue session with offices concerned including Budget, Accounting, and Procurement and Supply, several issues with regards to the processing of research projects were addressed. Topics on proper procurement, requisition and processing of materials and equipment, and other financial concerns were tackled.

Finally, several research proposals were awarded with the Notice to Proceed. Approved research projects are anticipated to generate outputs that will be beneficial to the university and the community, and also provide positive impact to the profile of the institution.