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The Vice Chancellors for Academic Affairs

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From: Maria Cynthia Rose Banzon
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Subject: UP System GE Conference 2021

The System GE Council will be holding the UP System-wide GE Conference via Zoom on **26-27 April, 5-6, and 10-11 May 2021**. The conference aims to: (1) reflect on teaching GE in time of crisis; (2) rearticulate the relevance of the GE philosophy; and (3) reinvigorate the teaching and learning of GE.

The 2021 Systemwide GE Conference will have two parts. The first part will be GE Conversations with the theme *Baon-Bidahan: How did you teach GE X in your CU?* This provides an avenue for sharing among the faculty on their experiences and strategies during the pandemic semesters, as well as the opportunities and challenges they encounter.

The first four days of the GE Conversations feature the common GE courses offered across the Constituent Universities (CUs). The last day of the GE Conversations features clusters of representative GE courses offered across the CUs. Each session will be facilitated by a moderator with faculty representatives as panelists coming from the different CUs who will jump start the conversation by sharing insights.

The second part will be Plenary Conversations themed *General Education in/and the Next Normal*, which covers a discussion on GE Philosophy, the importance of GE, and its intersectionality/interdisciplinarity in the morning session. The GE Program evaluation framework will be presented in the afternoon session. For reference, the GE program framework can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/3qnGsEu>.

Please see the schedule below. The sessions will also be live streamed via YouTube.

We look forward to an enriching conference ahead. Thank you.

GE Conversations
Baon-Bidahan: How did you teach GE X in your CU?

SCHEDULE	26 APRIL 2021	27 APRIL 2021	5 MAY 2021	6 MAY 2021	10 MAY 2021
8:30 - 10 AM	ARTS 1 Registration Link	COMM 10 Registration Link	MATH 10 Registration Link	KAS 1 Registration Link	PS 21 ENG 13 PAN PIL 19 SPEECH 30 SEA 30 Registration Link
10:30 AM – 12 PM	PHILARTS 1 Registration Link	ETHICS 1 Registration Link	SCIENCE 10 Registration Link	SAS 1 Registration Link	MS1 GEOL 1 NASC 4 DRMAPS L ARCH 1 Registration Link
1:30 - 3 PM	WIKA 1 Registration Link	STS 1 Registration Link	SCIENCE 11 Registration Link	-	KAS 4 SOC SCI 30 MIN STUD 1 SOC SCI 5 SOC SCI 2 Registration Link

Plenary Conversation
General Education in/and the Next Normal

11 MAY 2021		
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Plenary 1 Registration Link	<p style="text-align: center;">What is GE and why is it important? Intersectionality/Interdisciplinarity in General Education</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderator: Dr Cynthia Rose B. Bautista Panelists: University Professor Emeritus Gemino H. Abad Professor Emeritus Jose Y. Dalisay Jr. Professor Emeritus Michael L. Tan Professor Fidel R. Nemenzo</p>
1:30 - 3:30 PM	Plenary 2 Registration Link	<p style="text-align: center;">GE Program Evaluation Framework Dr Fernando D. Paragas</p>