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4TH SIYASAT INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM – THE INTERCONNECTED WORLD: BRIDGING DISCIPLINES TO ADDRESS GLOBAL IMPERATIVES



The **4th Interdisciplinary Research Colloquium** with the theme “**The Interconnected World: Bridging Disciplines to Address Global Imperatives,**” was held on May 10, 2025, at the CAM Auditorium, organized by the Office of the Graduate School, in partnership with the International Affairs and External Linkages Office (IAELO). The event aimed to strengthen academic research and encourage exchange of ideas across different disciplines.

Keynote speakers included **Dr. Jose W. Lalas**, a professor from University of Redlands, who shared insights on educational justice, equity, and leadership, adding an international perspective to the discussions. His participation was facilitated by the IAELO.

Dr. Cecilia Gascon, Director of the Resource Linkages Office, also delivered a keynote address, highlighting her research on biodiversity, agroforestry, and sustainable environmental practices in the Philippines. Her work demonstrated how interdisciplinary research can address pressing environmental challenges and benefit local communities.



The colloquium was divided into two main parts. The first featured the formal program with in-depth keynote presentations that explored current societal issues and academic trends. The second part consisted of parallel sessions per discipline held in four venues, each focused on a specific theme: Developmental Innovation, Health and Natural Sciences, Arts, and Social Sciences and Education. These sessions allowed participants to dive deeper into their chosen topics and foster collaboration across fields.



Overall, the event showcased the importance of interdisciplinary approaches in addressing complex real-world problems. It served as a platform for sharing knowledge, building partnerships, and reinforcing the university's commitment to advancing research and education across various fields.



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