

UCU-NSTP conducts emergency preparedness training for students



Urdaneta City University, through the initiative of National Service Training Program (NSTP), and in partnership with RESCUE 177 Corps of Instructors Mobile Team, conducted a two-day training entitled, “Seminar-Workshop on Gender-Sensitive Risk Reduction Emergency Management” for NSTP students enrolled this academic year, as part of their present curriculum, on June 7-8, 2023 at the University Gymnasium.

With the aim to equip the student-trainees of practical management skills against disasters and emergencies through actual demonstrations onsite, four batches of participants were catered; each batch underwent three phases of training: Phase 1 was a lecture presentation on basic concept of disaster and principles of DRRM; Phase 2 was hands-on demonstration on first aid, emergency rescue methods on a surface area, and basic life support in the new normal; and Phase 3 was a simultaneous simulation and application of all learned skills by the student-trainees.

Disaster Awareness and Preparedness is one of the major topics for NSTP based on the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Memorandum dated November 4, 2020, and the revised syllabus of Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) under Common Modules for NSTP students of RA 9163 series of 2022, specifically section 14, which entails that integration of DRRM curricula in both public and private schools nationwide, that is, to undergo training for disaster awareness, preparedness, and management, is a must.

Moreover, RA 10121 or the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010, which seeks to strengthen the Philippine disaster risk reduction and management system, includes the provisions that, the State shall ensure that disaster risk reduction and climate change measures are “gender responsive, sensitive to indigenous knowledge systems, and respectful of human rights” thus, the significance of the endeavor.

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