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About QCU

The Quezon City University, formerly known as the Quezon City Polytechnic University, came into existence on March 1, 1994, by virtue of the City Council Ordinance No. SP-171. The institution was created to undertake skilled workers' training in response to the manpower requirement by industry and business establishments within the city. The organization of the Polytechnic as a local government educational institution included the old Skills and Training Center. The QCP established its reputation among local government units as a show window and model technology-based institution, paving the way for its recognition by the Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) and developing a strong alliance with the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA).



On August 20, 1997, the Polytechnic was enhanced into a University through City Council Ordinance No. SP-544, S-97. The leadership of former Quezon City Mayor Feliciano “Sonny” Belmonte saw meaningful access to higher education.

Starting 2005-2006, the University has started offering degree programs. Initially, the courses are BS in Entrepreneurial Management, BS in Information Technology, and BS in Industrial Engineering. SP-1945, s. 2009, otherwise known as “An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. SP1030, s. 2001 (or the QCPU Charter)”, passed by the Quezon City Council, grants the Quezon City Polytechnic University semi-autonomy as to its fiscal management and control over its operations, budgeting and reporting requirements. Under the Ordinance SP-2308 s. 2014, the QC Council authorizes the University to offer the Senior High School Program as mandated by the Department of Education. In July 2019, the SP-2812 s.2019 or the “Ordinance converting the Quezon City Polytechnic University to Quezon City University and enhancing its charter” was fully implemented, with Dr. Victor B. Endriga being named as the OIC President of the University.

On October 8, 2020, after the search committee for president recommended three (3) qualified applicants and nominees, the University Board of Regents appointed Dr. Theresita V. Atienza as its first elected University President with a fixed six-year term. Dr. Atienza envisions QCU to be recognized as the # 1 local university of employable graduates. For 27 years since its establishment, QCU has evolved significantly.

QCU now offers degree programs in accountancy and entrepreneurship, information technology, and engineering from being a technical education provider. And soon, QCU will cater to more talented and deserving students by providing relevant undergraduate and graduate programs that meet domestic and global markets’ demands.

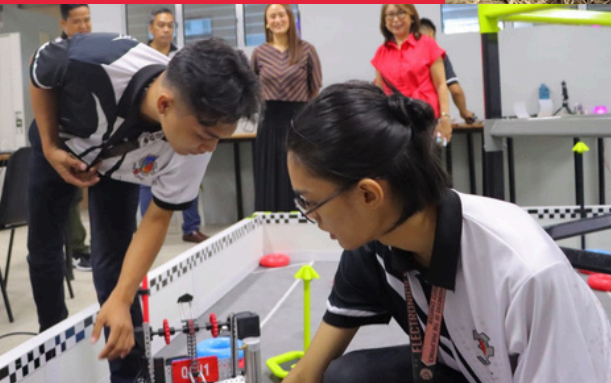
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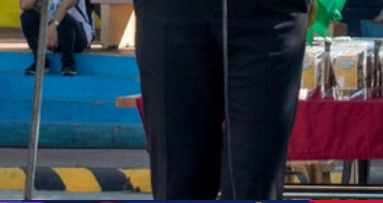
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MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT



Quezon City University reaffirms its commitment to sustainability as a cornerstone of its mission to deliver quality, inclusive, and transformative education. In 2024, we advanced initiatives in environmental stewardship, responsible consumption, sustainable urban agriculture, and community engagement—efforts that are fully aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

These milestones reflect not only compliance with global benchmarks but also QCU's deep responsibility to the people of Quezon City. By embedding sustainability into teaching, research, extension, and campus operations, we are shaping future-ready graduates who are also conscious stewards of society and the environment.

As we move forward, QCU will continue to strengthen its role as a local university with a global mindset—pioneering practices that build resilient communities and ensuring that sustainability remains at the heart of our journey.

Dr. Theresita V. Atienza
University President





GENDER EQUALITY

At Quezon City University (QCU), gender equality is championed not only as a human right, but as a cornerstone of quality education and sustainable development. Through community partnerships, inclusive learning opportunities, and women-centered programs, QCU empowers women and girls to thrive in education, entrepreneurship, and leadership—helping break barriers and build a more just and equitable society.



405 QCU Students Graduate from L'Oréal Digital Beauty Academy to Ensure Women's Access Seminar

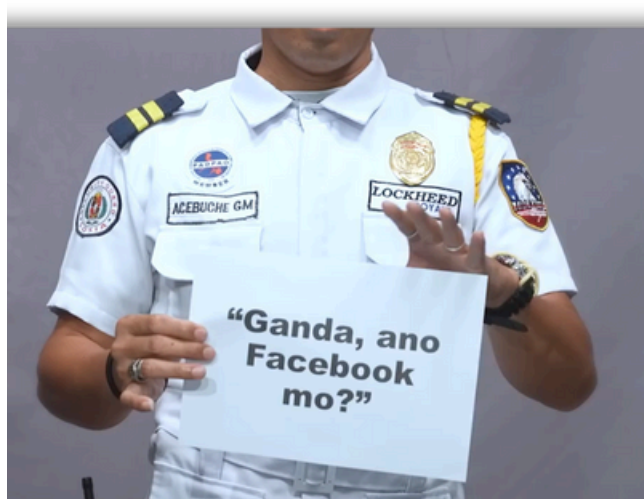
On October 16, 2024, at the Risen Garden of Quezon City Hall, QCU celebrated the graduation of 405 students from the L'Oréal Digital Beauty Academy (DBA)—a first for any Philippine university. The program equipped students with skills in e-commerce, content creation, and digital marketing, and was co-organized with L'Oréal, the Quezon City LGU, Samahan ng mga Pilipina para sa Reporma at Kaunlaran, a non-government organization advocating gender equality and women's empowerment (SPARK! Philippines), and TikTok. Notable guests included Mayor Joy Belmonte, QCU President Dr. Theresita Atienza, and L'Oréal's Yassine Bakkari.

Graduates like Johanna Duyag and Rondina Bisda inspired the crowd with success stories, embodying QCU's commitment to career empowerment through digital literacy.



Advocacy through Education: Ending Violence Against Women

QCU participates in the 18-Day Campaign to End Violence Against Women (VAW) on December 9, 2024, with the Quezon City LGU. Through gender-sensitivity education and collaboration with MOVE QC, QCU continues to advocate for gender equality, respect, and women's empowerment as essential dimensions of holistic education.



2,121

Total Number of Graduates



1,232

Female Graduates



36



Academic Staff Gender Data

Total Employees: 373
Academic Staff: 229
Senior Academic Staff: 76
Senior Female Academic Staff: 19

1,666

Women Starting a Degree



37