

UNITED BOARD FELLOWS PROGRAM

NEWSLETTER

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UB Fellows Brighton Anbu & You Taing visit Anne Ofstedal, Rita Pullium (retired vice president), & Gloria Godfrey at the UB's New York office.

Greetings to United Board Fellows and Alumni!

Thank you for responding to our recent request for updates. We are delighted to hear from you and are inspired by your enthusiasm and commitment to your institutions and your students. I hope that this newsletter will become another way of keeping us connected. We include news of some 2010-12 Fellows' placements and of a few Fellows Program alumni. We also introduce Ms. Ivy Santos, the Fellows Program coordinator at De LaSalle University - Manila, although for those of you who have been placed at DLSU and who have enjoyed her gracious and thoughtful support, Ivy needs no introduction!

This past July 18-23, the 2010-2012 class of United Board Fellows met for its first leadership seminar at Payap University in Chiang Mai, Thailand. As at past years' seminars, the participants formed fast bonds cemented by humor, creativity, worship opportunities, cultural sharing, and above all, by presentations and discussions about the challenges of leadership. We are grateful that some Fellows alumni from China, Myanmar and Thailand could join the seminar to provide their post-Fellows Program perspectives and experiences.

2012 will mark the 10th year of the Fellows Program, an important milestone in this program's development. We are grateful to the Freeman Foundation and to individual donors for their support of our work. By next year, the program will boast 130 alumni from 48 universities and colleges in ten countries of Asia. Even as UB staff plan for the 2012-14 class of Fellows, we also desire to keep in touch with you and to hear more about your current endeavors and challenges. We plan to invite some Fellows alumni to upcoming leadership seminars to give panel presentations on their post-Fellowship experiences. Would you be interested? Please contact me with your ideas!

--Anne Ofstedal, Director of Fellowship and Scholarship Programs

Current and Upcoming Placements

Annie Kuriachan, Women's Christian College, India
Ardniel Baladjay, Southern Christian College, Philippines
Brighton Anbu, Karunya University, India
David Patturaj, Madras Christian College, India
Enrique Oracion, Silliman University, Philippines
Zhang Hanbo, Yunnan University, China
Pu Hongbin, Guizhou Normal University, China
Louis George, Christ University, India
Pisamai Kijkuokool, Payap University, Thailand
Priscilla Jayasingh, Lady Doak College, India
Manurung Parmonangan, Duta Wacana Christian University, Indonesia
Margaretha Utami, Soegijapranata Catholic University, Indonesia
Violeta Vallodolid, De La Salle University, Philippines

Silliman University
Purdue University
De La Salle University
Baylor University
Baylor University
Tunghai University
Valparaiso University
Ateneo de Manila
St. Olaf College
St. Olaf College
Purdue University
Baylor University
Gonzaga University

ABOUT US

Founded in 1922, the United Board is a Christian organization that works in partnership with higher education institutions across Asia to express values such as justice, reconciliation and harmony between ethnic and religious communities, gender equity, care for the environment, and civil society. The United Board operates as both a programmatic and grant-making organization.

MISSION OF THE UNITED BOARD

The United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia works to support a Christian presence in colleges and universities in Asia.

Program Profiles

After his fellowship in 2008-10, **Zhang Wenhong** now serves as Dean of the School of Sociology, Shanghai University, China, with responsibility for advanced development of sociology, anthropology, social work, political science and other disciplines.



2011 Leadership Seminar, Payap University, Chiang Mai, Thailand



Coordinator Ivy Santos with UB Fellow David Patturaj

Ivy Santos of the College of Education, De LaSalle University - Manila, has served as coordinator for 14 UB Fellows, and also played a key role in organizing the UB Fellows leadership seminar in 2005.

Updates from Fellows Alumni

- Mercy Pushpalatha (2002-04) from Lady Doak College, India, was appointed Principal in 2008.
- Zhang Xunjie (2008-10) from Fujian Hwanan Women's College, China, was appointed President of the college in 2008.
- Rudy Wawolumaja (2004-06) from Maranatha Christian College, Indonesia, now serves as Vice Rector for Academic Affairs.
- Xu Zheng (2004-06) of Fudan University, China, is now Vice President.
- Neil Rupidara (2004-06) from Satya Wacana Christian University, Indonesia, is nearing completion of his doctoral studies at Macquarie University, Australia.
- Wang Li (2008-10) of Huazhong Normal University, China, has helped to establish a student exchange program with Ateneo de Manila University, which was one of her Fellows Program host universities.
- Edwin P. Santiago (2006-09) from De La Salle University, Philippines, now serves as Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Services.
- Prathana Langkarpint (2008-10) from Payap University, Thailand, was promoted to Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and to Assistant to the Dean of the International College.
- Do Thi Xuan Dung (2004-06) from Hue University College of Foreign Languages, Vietnam, now serves as Head of International Cooperation and Research Management.
- Margaret Helen Udarbe-Alvarez (2006-08) from Silliman University, Philippines, was promoted to Dean of the University Graduate Studies Program and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.



Esther Rose A. Romarate, Central Philippine University

Esther Romarate was a member of the Fellows class of 2002-04. Since her fellowship, Ms. Romarate was promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor. She also served as the Chair of the Department of Languages, Mass Communication & Humanities, where

she created a partnership between Central Philippine University and the University of the Philippines Visayas to develop teaching materials for professional communication in English.