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Training on Scientific Paper Writing

January 11th, 2014: More than 150 faculty and staff attended the training provided by Professor Nguyen Van Tuan from the University of New South Wales, Australia. At the workshop, Prof. Tuan shared his knowledge and experience on writing scientific articles. Professor Tuan also informed the participants about current concerns of the scientific research situation regarding universities and research institutions in Vietnam.

Professor Nguyen Van Tuan, a Senior Research Fellow at Garvan Institute of Medical Research, the University of New South Wales, is an internationally recognised expert in the field of epidemiology and genetics of osteoporosis. He is a regular reviewer for more than 20 medical and bone journals, and numerous funding agencies around the world, including NHMRC, NIH, Wellcome Trust, and MRC. Currently, he has the H-index at 65.



Professor Nguyen Van Tuan's sharing his knowledge and experience on writing scientific articles

Training Course on Aquaculture Nutrition

March 19th – 21st, 2014: Within the framework of the ACIAR lobster project, the Institute for Aquaculture held a training course on aquaculture nutrition with the participation of 50 trainees from Thailand, France, the Philippines and Vietnam. Participants of the course had opportunities to study and discuss about topics of nutrition in aquaculture as well as visit relevant aquaculture research facilities in Khanh Hoa province.



Dr. David Smith awarded certificates to trainees after the training course

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International Conference on Bioencapsulation Technology



March 4th - 7th, 2014: In the framework of cooperation on "Research on bioencapsulation production technology and its application in the field of biology - food in Vietnam", NTU in collaboration with Francophone University Association (AUF), Bio-encapsulation Research Group (BRG), and AgroSup Dijon University, held

an international workshop on bio-encapsulation technology. Over 70 scientists from France, Britain, Sweden, Spain, Russia, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Japan, and other countries participated in the workshop. The workshop was a great forum for researchers to present new research findings and applications of bioencapsulation in pharmaceutical products, aquaculture, food stuff, etc. Demonstrations on bioencapsulation technology were also performed in NTU laboratories by technicians from Buchi Switzerland and BRG. These demonstrations helped participants view new technologies and applications in the field.



Workshop on Bitzer Compressor Technology

December 6th, 2013: at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering business and manufacturing representatives shared useful information about Bitzer compressor technology used in air conditioning and refrigeration system. Participants also learned about compressor selection software and its sub-equipment and industrial refrigeration systems and air conditioning.

On this occasion, the Bitzer Group and Le Quoc Company awarded scholarships to students of Heating and Refrigeration Technology and contributed a small grant to the Study Promotion Fund of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering.



Seminar with Pusan National University on Chemical Engineering and Biology Applications

February 24th, 2014: NTU collaborated with Pusan National University to organize a conference on chemical engineering and biology application. Scientists from the two universities presented their research results in the field of chemical engineering and biology applications and discussed expanding collaborative research and technology transfer between the two universities.



International Conference on "Utilization of Waste/Rest Raw Material and By-Products in the Seafood Processing Industry - Opportunities and Challenges"

The conference was held from October 09th - 12th, 2013 with collaboration between the Faculty of Food Technology (NTU) and the Fisheries Training Program - United Nations University (Iceland). At the conference, domestic and international scientists as well as business representatives discussed new research findings in utilization of waste and by-products in the seafood processing industry and determined research directions for this field in Vietnam in the future.

After the conference, the Faculty of Food Technology signed a cooperation agreement on training and scientific research with Icelandic Food and Biotech R&D (Matis).



EXTERNAL COLLABORATION

9 Czech Students Study at NTU

February 17th, 2014: In the framework of annual student exchange programs between NTU and Jan Evangelista Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem (Czech Republic), 9 Czech students arrived at NTU to attend a 4-month-training program in spring semester (2/2014 - 6/2014). They will take courses on marine biodiversity, environment management, models of farming and waste treatment in Vietnam, economics, tourism and Vietnamese culture, etc.



Taiwan Scholarship Introduction

February 20th, 2014: Mr. Aaron Chen – Deputy Counselor of Education, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Ho Chi Minh City came to NTU to introduce the VEST-500 scholarship, Taiwan Scholarship, Mandarin Chinese Scholarship and Exam Schedule of Mandarin Chinese Capacity to faculty, staff, and students. Mr. Chen also assisted interested audience with helpful information about studying and living conditions in Taiwan.



Ambassador of the Republic of Uzbekistan to Vietnam Visits NTU

December 17th, 2013: In a meeting with leaders of NTU, Mr. Shavkat Jamlov - Ambassador of the Republic of Uzbekistan to Vietnam expressed his desire to step up collaboration between universities in the Republic of Uzbekistan with NTU, focusing on the field of fisheries. The two sides discussed to promote student and staff exchange, starting with sending apprentices to study at NTU.



Exchange with Lynchburg College (U.S.)



January 4th, 2014: A delegation including instructors and students from Lynchburg College (U.S.) led by Prof. David Lipani visited instructors and students of NTU. During the meeting, students from both universities introduced culture, country and people of their countries through creative performances and small group discussions. They shared useful information about living and studying at their universities, training programs, and future career orientations. Students from both universities have enjoyed the experience and Prof. Lipani has indicated that he would like to take another group of Lynchburg College students to NTU in 2016.



EXTERNAL COLLABORATION

Opening Ceremony of the Training Course on “Vietnamese Culture and Tourism” for Thai Students



March 12th, 2014: As part of the cooperation program between the two universities, NTU organized an opening ceremony of the training course “Vietnamese Culture and Tourism” for the 30 students from Udon Thani Rajabhat University (Thailand). The training is to take place in one semester (until late June, 2014) with 4 subjects equivalent to 12 credit hours including Customer Psychology and Tour Guide Methodolo-

gies, Restaurant Business Administration, Vietnamese Tourism Culture, and Vietnamese Eco-Tourism.

After nearly one month studying at NTU, the Thai students seem to have integrated well and are having positive experiences about life and people of Nha Trang City. Below are comments from two Thai students.

Ms. Hoa My (Wanwisa Puengsawang) – Sophomore in Vietnamese Tourism - Udon Thani Rajabhat University

“Vietnam is a country with favourable geographical location, rich history and diverse culture. Education here is well developed, people are friendly, sociable. Especially, Vietnam has a lot of attractive tourism destinations. Therefore, I chose to study the Vietnamese culture and tourism to contribute developing the relationship in tourism and culture between Vietnam and Thailand in the future.”



Ms. Thuy Tien (Kamonrat Lertkumjonwat) - Sophomore in Vietnamese Tourism - Udon Thani Rajabhat University

“I really love the weather and scenery of Nha Trang City. It is great because our dorm is located right on the coast. We are very impressed with the friendliness and hospitality of Nha Trang people, especially NTU students. They also love Thai culture and send us warm welcome. They have taken us to many places, even to their home to introduce us to their parents.”



EVENTS

Open Day 2014 – Step Confidently into Your Future

March 2nd, 2014: Nearly 4,000 student candidates and their parents from three provinces: Khanh Hoa, Ninh Thuan and Phu Yen attended the Career Guidance and Enrollment Consultancy Day 2014 charged with the slogan “Step Confidently into Your Future”. The event was held at NTU and was supported by the Khanh Hoa Department of Education and Training in collaboration with the Khanh Hoa Department of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs, Khanh Hoa Youth Union, and Ho Chi Minh Education Newspaper.

NTU's 2nd Open Day was also organized in conjunction with this event. Student candidates and their parents were provided with useful 2014 enrollment guidance as well as information on training programs at NTU. NTU student and faculty volunteers helped visitors with tours around NTU's campus to help them have an overview about NTU research and training facilities such as classrooms, auditoria, laboratories, libraries, dormitories, sports and recreation facilities, etc. On this day, NTU with support from Khanh Hoa Salangane Nest Company awarded 21 scholarships (each worths 500,000 VND) to poor students who have achieved outstanding academic results.



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Traditional Sports Festival to Celebrate Youth Month

To promote sports movement among students, from October 3rd, 2014, NTU's Youth Union (YU) organized The Students' Sports Festival 2014 with competitions such as: male and female mini-soccer, male and female volleyball and other team sports.

The YU of the Civil Engineering Faculty won the 1st prize for male football, the YU of the Food Technology Faculty won the 1st prize for female football and volleyball, the YU of the Mechanical Engineering Faculty won the 1st prize for male volleyball.



Male football team of Faculty of Civil Engineering

Song and Dance Contest to Celebrate Anniversary of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union (March 26th, 1931 – March 26th, 2014)

The song and dance teams from 12 Youth Unions of Faculties and Institutes showcased their creativity through fashion articles made from recycled materials to convey the message of environmental protection. The performances praised the Communist Party, beloved Uncle Ho and homeland and national unity. At the end of the contest, the organizers awarded the 1st prize to the Youth Union Group of the Food Technology Faculty.



Blood donation Day Organised by Youth Union

With the message "A drop of blood can save a life", the blood donation day organized in the morning of March 3rd, 2014 attracted over 300 NTU's students and staff. 225 units of donated blood were added to the national blood stocks. This is an annual activity organized by NTU's Youth Union to raise awareness among students about the meaning and importance of donating blood to save lives.

The 5th Economics Olympiad by the Faculty of Economics

Over the past 3 months (December, 2013 – March 3rd, 2014), after several challenging qualifying rounds, the 5th Economics Olympiad "Economics students, today and tomorrow" had concluded successfully with the convincing victory of the team Enthusiasm. The Economics Olympiad is an annual activity of the Faculty of Economics organized to provide students with the opportunity to practice their knowledge and skills in real life applications.



THE FACULTY OF TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING

The Faculty of Transportation Engineering was established in 2011 with a mandate to carry out scientific research, technology transfer, undergraduate and postgraduate education in the fields of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering and Automotive Engineering .

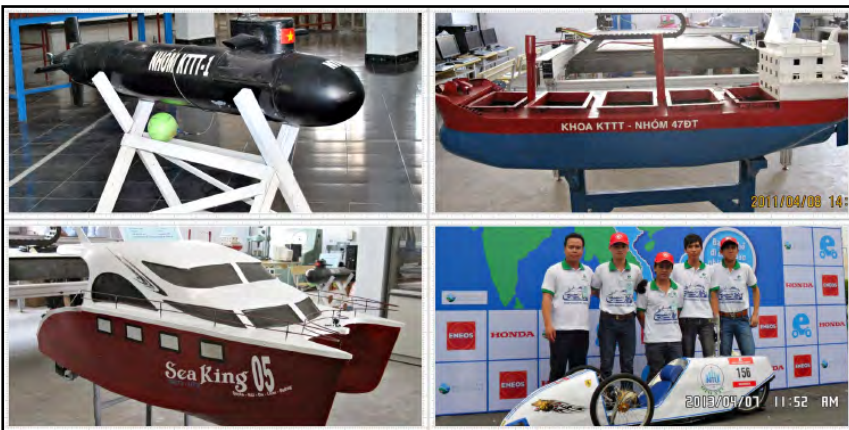
With 33 highly qualified staff, including 5 Assoc. Professors, 7 Ph.D.s, 13 Masters (4 are pursuing Ph.D. studies), the Faculty has graduated over 1,000 students, Master's and Ph.D. students.

The scientific work of the Faculty has resulted in a wide range of useful applications such as: successfully designing and manufacturing the equipment for offshore fishing vessels, automating the systems serving motors, researching alternative fuel for diesel engines of small capacity ships, designing high-speed cruise ships with FRP shell, designing cruise ships and ships for handling oil spills...

The Faculty currently has cooperation in training and scientific research with many domestic and international organizations such as Hyundai Vinashin Ship Building Factory, Dung Quat Shipyard, Ulsan University (South Korea), Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), The Australian Maritime College (AMC), National Taiwan Ocean University (NTOU), etc.



Faculty's leaders and delegation from National Taiwan Ocean University



Some models of ships and cars manufactured by students of the Faculty



Students of the Faculty studying in Korea

Upcoming Events:

- VLIR Workshop (April 17th-18th)
- Workshop on teaching/learning foreign languages by a Fulbright specialist (May 9th)
- Exchange program with GLC-Ohio University students (May 10th-23rd)