



VISAYAS
STATE UNIVERSITY
VISCA, CITY OF BAYBAY, LEYTE

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD
OF REGENTS AND OF THE UNIVERSITY**

Republic of the Philippines
VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY
Visca, Baybay, Leyte

BOR RESOLUTION NO. 121, s. 2017

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE OFFERING OF THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
(PhD) IN SOIL SCIENCE AT THE VSU MAIN CAMPUS STARTING
1ST SEMESTER, SY 2018-2019**

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9158 converted the then Visayas State College of Agriculture (ViSCA) into a state university, the Leyte State University, on 11 August 2001 and was later renamed Visayas State University (VSU) by virtue of R.A. 9437;

WHEREAS, Section 7, Paragraph (i) of R.A. 9158 empowers the Governing Board “to approve the curricula, institutional programs and rules of discipline drawn by the administrative and academic councils as herein provided”;

WHEREAS, the VSU Main Campus has been offering the Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (BSA) *major in* Soil Science and the Master of Science *major in* Soil Science for the past 25 years;

WHEREAS, food security and ecological preservation are two key challenges confronting humans;

WHEREAS, some of the major challenges humans face include: production of sufficient food under conditions of declining productivity, changing climate, and shrinking lands available for agriculture;

WHEREAS, there is a need to produce highly trained soil scientists equipped with advanced knowledge on the properties, behavior, potential, and sustainable management of soils who could spearhead research, development, and extension activities to improve soil productivity and ecological functions of soils;

WHEREAS, if the proposal is approved, the Visayas State University will only be the 3rd University in the Philippines to offer a PhD in Soil Science after UP at Los Baños and CLSU; and

WHEREAS, the proposal was discussed by the University Academic Council (UAC) on the occasion of the 42nd UAC Meeting held last 13 November 2017 at the 1/F, Center for Continuing Education (CCE), VSU Main Campus, City of Baybay, Leyte and the UAC is strongly endorsing the proposal for Approval by the VSU Board of Regents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to approve the Offering of the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Soil Science at the VSU Main Campus starting 1st Semester, SY 2018-2019.

IN WITNESS of our approval thereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 7th day of December 2017 at Granda Manor Hotel, Tacloban City.

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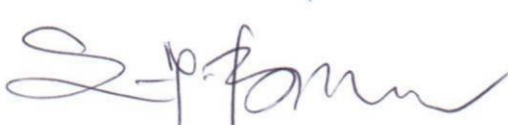
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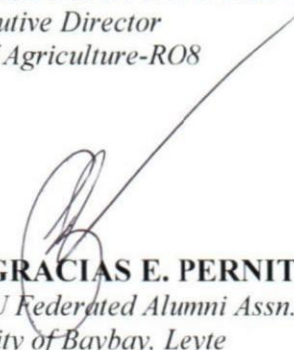
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