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Baguio City Seminar and Educational Tour: Ascent to Innovation: Where Technology Meets Tomorrow

I. Introduction

The **Baguio City Seminar and Educational Tour: Ascent to Innovation: Where Technology Meets Tomorrow** was organized to provide BSIT (Bachelor of Science in Information Technology) and CPE (Computer Engineering) students with a valuable opportunity to expand their learning beyond the classroom. The event was designed to highlight the latest trends in IT and engineering, equipping students with the knowledge to enhance their capstone projects and gain a deeper understanding of industry practices. Through direct interactions with industry experts and observing the practical applications of technology, students were able to gain real-world insights and fresh ideas that could be applied to their academic and professional work. Set in the vibrant city of Baguio, the seminar and tour not only promoted learning but also encouraged teamwork, creativity, and innovation, inspiring students to push their boundaries and grow in their chosen fields. The experience also helped build lasting connections among students, faculty, and professionals, fostering an environment of collaboration and growth.

II. Objectives

The seminar and educational tour aim to achieve the following objectives:

- 1. To deepen students' understanding of the latest trends in IT, engineering, and research methodologies.
- 2. To offer hands-on exposure to real-world technology applications through site visits, lectures, and interactive activities.
- 3. To encourage teamwork, collaboration, and networking among BSIT and CPE students, fostering a strong sense of community.
- 4. To promote cultural appreciation and support the holistic development of participants by exploring the unique heritage and scenic environment of Baguio City.
- 5. To inspire students to think creatively and critically, applying learned knowledge to their academic and future professional endeavors.

III. Schedule of Activities

Provide a detailed itinerary, combining seminar sessions and tour highlights.

Date	Time	Activity	Location/Speaker
Day 1	12:00 AM	Departure from [Starting Point]	—
	7:00 AM	Free Time/Photo Opp	Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto
	8:00 AM	Free Time/Photo Opp	Strawberry Farm
	10:00 AM	Free Time/Photo Opp	Church Bell
	11:45 AM	Arrival at Hotel	Teacher’s Camp Baguio
	12:00 PM	Lunch	Teacher’s Camp
	12:00 – 5:45 PM	Siesta	Room
	6:00 PM	Dinner	Teacher’s Camp
	8:00 PM	Practice for Socialization Night	Teacher’s Camp
	10:00 PM	Lights Off	Teacher’s Camp
Day 2	6:00 AM	Breakfast	Teacher’s Camp
	8:00 AM	Seminar: <i>Generative AI and its Application</i>	Mr. Zen Lee D. Foryasen
	10:00 AM	Seminar: <i>Best C’s in Professional Practioner</i>	Mr. Ian Erguiza
	12:00 PM	Lunch	Teacher’s Camp

	1:30 PM	Seminar: <i>Quantum Computing</i>	Mr. Ibrahim
	2:30 PM	Coffee Break	Teacher's Camp
	3:00 PM	Seminar: <i>The Metaverse: A Virtual Reality Future</i>	Ms. Lovely Jenn A. Reformado
	4:00 PM	Rest/Practice for Socialization Night	Teacher's Camp
	6:00 PM	Dinner	Teacher's Camp
	7:00 – 10:00 PM	Socialization Night	Teacher's Camp
	12:00 AM	Lights Off	Teacher's Camp
Day 3	6:00 AM	Breakfast	Teacher's Camp
	9:00 AM	Check Out	Teacher's Camp
	10:30 AM	Photo Opp	Mines View Park
	12:00 PM	Lunch/Free Time	Burnham Park
	2:00 PM	Departure from Burnham Park	
	9:00 PM	Arrival at BCP Main Campus	

#### IV. Highlights of the Seminar and Tour

Describe key moments and activities, complemented by relevant pictures.

##### Seminar Sessions

###### *Speaker 1: “Generative AI and its Applications” by Mr. Zen Lee D. Foryasen*

Mr. Zen Lee D. Foryasen delivered an engaging session on the transformative power of **Generative AI** and its wide-ranging applications across various fields such as content creation, software development, and problem-solving. He highlighted the innovative ways in which AI is changing industries, from generating creative media to enhancing productivity in tech development. The session motivated students to explore how they could incorporate AI into their capstone projects and future careers, encouraging them to think about how this cutting-edge technology can be applied in their fields of study.



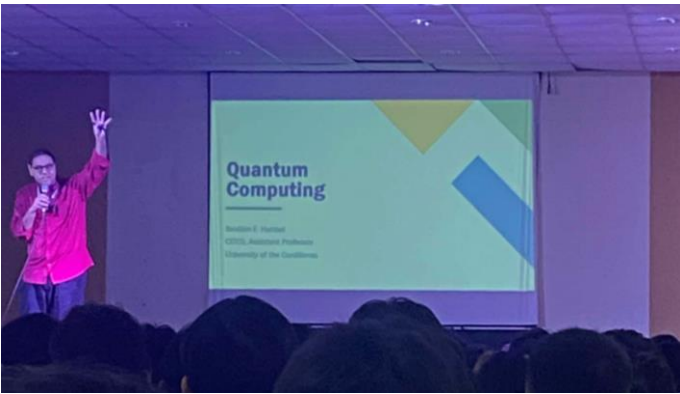
###### *Speaker 2: “Best C's in Professional Practitioner” by Mr. Ian Erguiza*

Mr. Ian Erguiza shared an inspiring and heartfelt session, offering valuable advice and wisdom drawn from his own experiences as an IT professional. He spoke about the challenges he encountered on his career journey and the lessons he learned, shaping him into the successful practitioner he is today. His storytelling approach made the session engaging, and his sense of humor kept the atmosphere light and fun, allowing students to connect with him on a personal level. Mr. Erguiza encouraged students to pursue their goals with passion and perseverance, stressing the importance of overcoming obstacles and staying motivated, whether in their studies or future careers.



**Speaker 3: “Quantum Computing” by Mr. Ibrahim**

Mr. Ibrahim led a fascinating session on **Quantum Computing**, introducing students to the complex world of quantum mechanics and its game-changing potential in fields like cryptography, medicine, and artificial intelligence. He explained fundamental principles such as **superposition** and **entanglement**, helping students understand how these concepts could reshape the future of computing. The session sparked students’ curiosity, leaving them eager to learn more about this rapidly growing field and its future applications. Many were inspired to consider quantum computing as a potential area of study or a future career path.



**Speaker 4: “The Metaverse: A Virtual Reality Future” by Lovely Jenn**

Lovely Jenn delivered an insightful presentation on **The Metaverse**, exploring its potential to revolutionize virtual reality and reshape the way we interact with the digital world. She explained how the Metaverse blends digital and physical spaces, creating immersive environments that go beyond traditional virtual gaming and socializing. Jenn also discussed the vast possibilities of the Metaverse in industries like education, healthcare, and business, showing how this evolving technology could create new opportunities. She emphasized the technological advancements needed to make the Metaverse a reality and how it could impact the way people interact with technology in the future. Her session inspired students to think critically about the role they could play in shaping this emerging digital frontier.



**Cultural Tour**

Exploring the landmarks of Baguio, including Burnham Park, Mines View Park, and the Strawberry Farm, provided students with a rich blend of cultural, historical, and natural experiences. At Burnham Park, students enjoyed the beautiful landscape, taking in the scenery while engaging in activities that showcased Baguio’s serene environment. Mines View Park offered a glimpse into the city’s mining history, where students learned about the significance of the area while capturing breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains. The visit to the Strawberry Farm was particularly memorable, as students had the opportunity to engage in hands-on activities like picking fresh strawberries, which deepened their connection to the region’s agricultural heritage. These experiences not only gave students a deeper appreciation for Baguio's local traditions but also provided an enjoyable way to learn about the city's culture and history, creating lasting memories and insights.



**V. Participant Feedback**

Participants gave positive feedback about the seminar and tour, emphasizing how relevant it was to their academic studies and future careers. Many expressed appreciation for the chance to connect what they’ve learned in the classroom with real-world applications. One student shared, "The seminar on Quantum Computing sparked new ideas and inspired me to explore how this technology could shape my capstone project." Faculty members also commended the event for promoting teamwork and offering valuable industry insights. They highlighted how the activity contributed to the overall development of students, encouraging not just academic growth but personal and professional growth as well.

**VI. Outcomes and Learning**

- Gained a deeper understanding of **Quantum Computing** and its potential applications in various industries.
- Boosted motivation for generating creative and innovative ideas for capstone projects and problem-solving.
- Improved teamwork and collaboration skills through interactive group activities and discussions.
- Expanded cultural awareness and appreciation for Baguio’s rich history, local traditions, and natural beauty.
- Gained exposure to real-world IT practices, inspiring students to explore a wide range of career paths in technology and engineering.

**VII. Challenges and Recommendations**

Although the seminar and tour were enjoyable and informative, there were some challenges. One issue was the limited time allocated for the site visits, which meant students couldn’t fully explore the tech locations or participate in all the activities. Additionally, the seminar schedule was quite packed, leaving little time for further interaction with the speakers.

For future activities, I suggest:

- Allowing more time for site visits so students can better explore the places and have more opportunities to engage with professionals.
- Extending the seminar sessions or providing more opportunities for students to ask questions and interact with the speakers.
- Including more breaks between sessions to give participants time to relax, reflect, and better absorb the information being shared.

**VIII. Conclusion**

The **Baguio seminar and tour** was an incredibly enriching and memorable experience for both BSIT and CPE students. It provided us with the opportunity to explore cutting-edge technology trends and witness firsthand how they are applied in the real world, all while enjoying the natural beauty and cultural richness of Baguio City. The event allowed us to blend academic knowledge with practical, hands-on experiences and fostered teamwork through collaborative activities. We are deeply grateful to the speakers, organizers, and everyone involved for making this event a resounding success. Their efforts made this experience not only educational but also truly unforgettable. We look forward to more events like this in the future, as they continue to inspire and motivate us to grow both academically and personally.

**IX. Annexes**



**During Socialization Night**



**After Seminar Session**