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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 give BSIT (Bachelor of Science in Information Technology) and CPE (Computer Engineering) students a chance to learn outside the classroom. The event focused on new trends in IT and engineering, helping students improve their capstone projects and learn more about real industry practices. By meeting experts and seeing how technology is used in the real world, students gained useful knowledge and ideas. Held in Baguio City, the tour also encouraged teamwork and creativity, inspiring students to grow in their chosen fields.

II. Objectives

The seminar and educational tour aim to accomplish the following:

- 1. To enhance students' knowledge of the latest trends in IT and engineering as well as research methods.
- 2. To provide students with practical exposure to real-world technology applications through site visits, lectures, and interactive activities.
- 3. To promote teamwork, collaboration, and networking among BSIT and CPE students.
- 4. To inspire cultural appreciation and support the overall development of participants by exploring the unique heritage and environment of Baguio City.

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

Seminar Sessions

**Speaker 1:** The seminar on *"Generative AI and its Applications"* delivered by Mr. Zen Lee D. Foryasen provided an insightful discussion on the transformative potential of Generative AI in various fields, including content creation, software development, and problem-solving. The session inspired students to explore innovative ways to integrate AI into their capstone projects and future careers.



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

Mr. Ian Erguiza delivered an inspiring and motivational session, sharing valuable advice and insights from his own personal journey as an IT professional. He talked about the challenges he faced and the key experiences that shaped him into the person he is today. His storytelling style made the session engaging, and he lightened the mood with humor, making the atmosphere relaxed and enjoyable for the students. His approach helped create an open and friendly environment, encouraging students to pursue their goals with confidence and passion, while also reminding them of the importance of perseverance in their studies and future careers.



**Speaker 3:** The seminar also featured a session on Quantum Computing, delivered by Mr. Ibrahim. He introduced students to the fascinating world of quantum mechanics and its potential impact on the future of computing. Mr. Ibrahim explained the basic principles of quantum computing, such as superposition and entanglement, and discussed how these concepts could revolutionize industries like cryptography, medicine, and artificial intelligence. The session sparked curiosity among students and inspired many to explore the growing field of quantum computing as a potential area of study or career path.



**Speaker 4:** The Metaverse: A Virtual Reality Future, Lovely Jenn gave an insightful presentation on The Metaverse and its potential to shape the future of virtual reality. She explored the concept of the Metaverse, explaining how it blends digital and physical worlds to create immersive, interactive environments. Jenn highlighted the exciting possibilities it offers, from virtual gaming and socializing to its potential use in industries like education, healthcare, and business. She also discussed the technological advancements needed to make the Metaverse a reality and its impact on the way people interact with technology. Her session inspired students to think critically about the future of digital spaces and how they might play a role in the development of this groundbreaking technology.



**Cultural Tour**

Exploring Baguio's landmarks, including Burnham Park, Mines View Park, and the Strawberry Farm, enriched the students' experience with cultural and historical insights. The visit to the Strawberry Farm allowed students to enjoy hands-on activities such as picking fresh strawberries, further enhancing their appreciation of Baguio's local traditions and agriculture.



**V. Participant Feedback**

Participants shared positive feedback about the seminar and tour, highlighting its relevance to their studies and future careers. Many appreciated the opportunity to connect theoretical knowledge with practical applications. A student noted, *"The seminar on Generative AI inspired me to think creatively for my capstone project."* Faculty members also

praised the activity for fostering collaboration and providing valuable industry insights, emphasizing its impact on students’ holistic growth.

**VI. Outcomes and Learning**

- Enhanced understanding of Generative AI and its applications.
- Increased motivation for innovative capstone project ideas and solutions.
- Strengthened teamwork and collaboration skills through group activities.
- Broadened cultural awareness and appreciation of Baguio’s history and local traditions.
- Exposure to real-world IT practices, inspiring students to explore diverse career opportunities.

**VII. Challenges and Recommendations**

Although the seminar and tour were great, there were some challenges. One problem was that there wasn’t enough time for the site visits, so students couldn’t explore the tech places fully or take part in all the activities. Also, the seminar schedule was tight, and we didn’t have much time to talk more with the speakers.

*For future activities, I suggest:*

- Giving more time for site visits so we can explore the places better and talk more with the professionals.
- Extending the seminar sessions or adding more chances for us to ask questions and engage with the speakers.
- Including more breaks between sessions so we can relax and better understand what is being taught.

**VIII. Conclusion**

The Baguio seminar and tour was a great and valuable experience for both BSIT and CPE students. It gave us a chance to learn about new technology trends and see how they are used in the real world, all while enjoying the beauty and culture of Baguio City. The event helped us mix academic learning with hands-on experience and team activities. We want to thank the speakers, helpers, and everyone who joined for making this event successful and unforgettable. We hope to have more events like this in the future to keep learning and getting inspired.

**IX. Annexes**



**During Check Out**



**During Seminar**



**In Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto**