



## BALIUAG UNIVERSITY

**LOCATION:**

Philippines, Region 3

**PROGRAM ENROLLMENT:**

700 students per year

**SUCCESS BENEFITS:**

- » Helps educators become more effective
- » Gives students an advantage in the workforce
- » Validates technology skills

## Baliuag University Helps Students Meet Global Workforce Demands with Microsoft Office Specialist

## Success Story

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Office Specialist

### Educators from Philippines Region 3 also Realize the Benefits of Certification

**INTRODUCTION**

Baliuag University (BU) was established in the Philippines in 1925 and offers elementary, high school, college and graduate programs that aim to meet national and global manpower demands.

Since 2003, the BU School of Information Technology

Education has delivered quality IT education by providing foundational and theoretical knowledge, practical applications, and exposure to the latest computing technologies.

In 2012, Innovative Training Works, Certiport's partner in the Philippines, contacted BU and proposed it become a

Certiport Authorized Testing Center to offer technology certification to students. Bernardino Malang, Dean, School of Information Technology Education, invited Innovative Training Works to present the proposal at BU, and they quickly began a partnership.

"Students quickly realized that by earning MOS certification they were more competitive and had an advantage over other students," said Dean Malang. "I know after they graduate, MOS certification will help our students advance and

instructors," said Dean Malang. "BU recognizes certification gives an edge and adds an important qualification to teachers' resumes."

All of the deans who passed MOS certification now offer it to students at their schools.



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#### RESULTS

BU became a Certiport Authorized Testing Center and conducted an orientation for Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certification with 500 students in attendance. The

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first batch of students took the MOS Excel certification, and by the end of the first school year, BU awarded 782 certifications.

give them an edge in applying for a desired position in the workforce."

Another 716 MOS certifications were awarded to students at BU in its second year of implementation, and today students can take Microsoft Excel, Word and PowerPoint certification exams.

Soon after BU began to offer MOS certification, the Philippine Society of Information Technology Educators (PSITE) invited Innovative Training Works to sponsor a gathering of IT deans from all over Region 3 of the Philippines. Dean Malang spearheaded the event to certify college deans and instructors, and 15 earned their MOS Access certification.

"The deans and instructors said being MOS certified made them more competitive and more effective

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