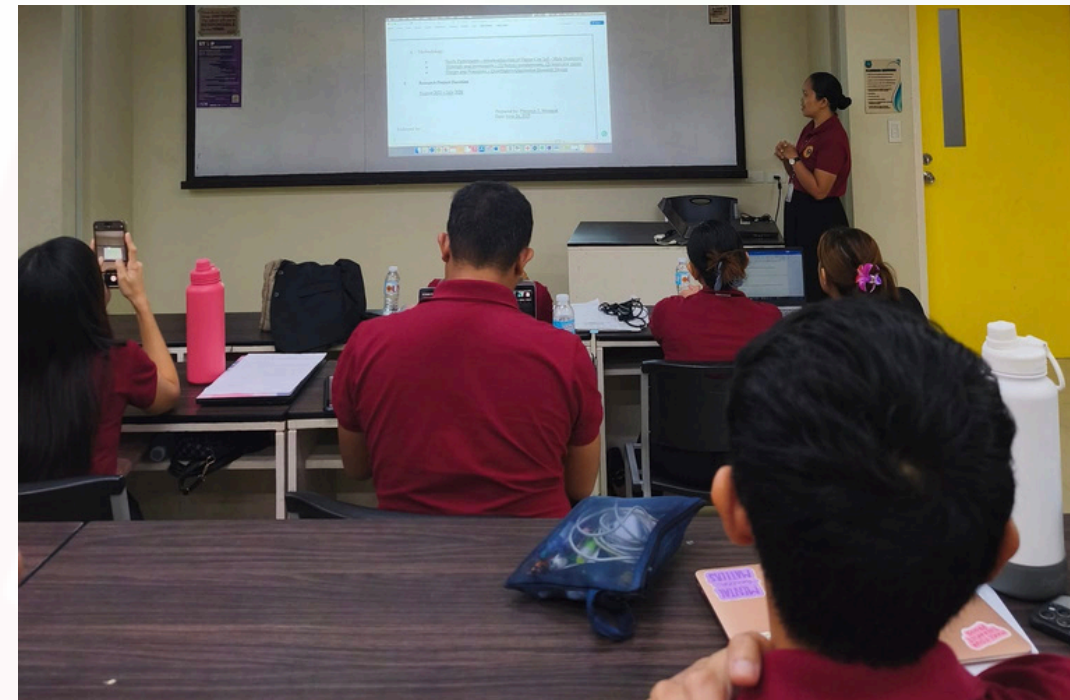




## Community Extension Center Empowers Project Implementers Through Research Writeshop

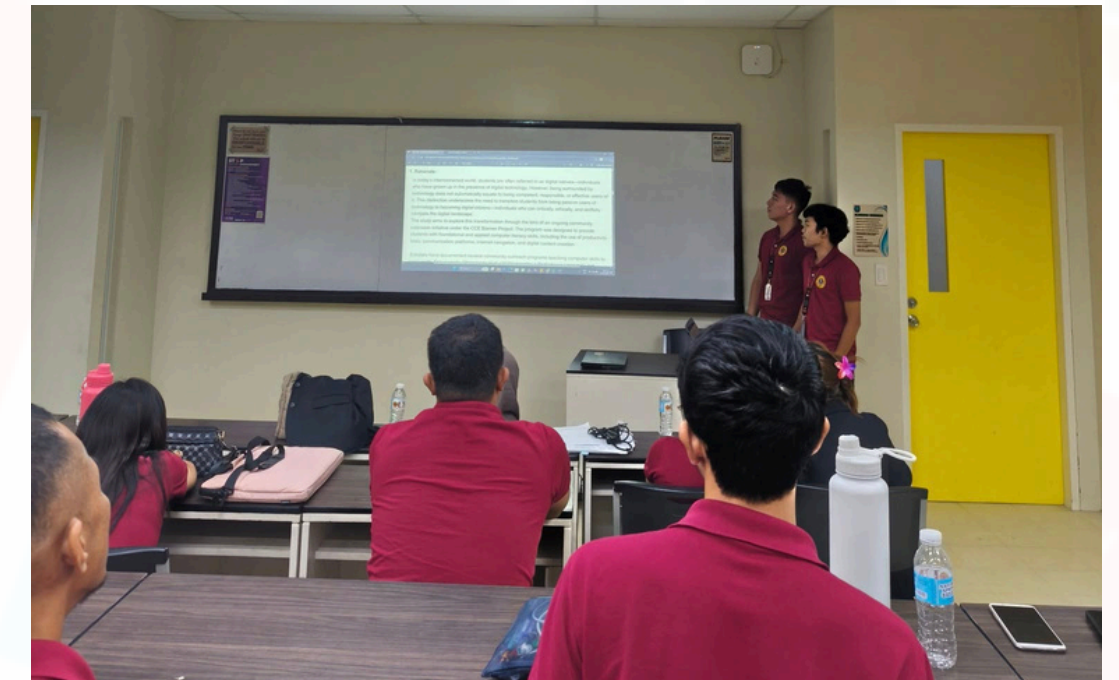
**28** participants, composed of project proponents and SOCI Coordinators from 10 colleges across the university, actively joined the workshop.

Serving as mentors were Dr. Joel Tan, Assistant Vice President for Business and Social Sciences Studies, and AVP Sitti L. Apadan of the Community Extension Center, who provided expert guidance and valuable insights.



The write shop offered participants a platform to present their research proposals while receiving constructive feedback to refine their clarity, structure, and methodological soundness. The initiative not only strengthened participants' research writing skills but also promoted accountability by ensuring that extension projects are measurable and impactful.

This endeavor underscores the CEC's commitment to advancing research-driven community engagement, empowering faculty and coordinators to design initiatives that address real societal challenges. By cultivating evidence-based approaches, the university continues to reinforce its mission of creating meaningful and sustainable contributions to both the academic community and partner communities.







## UM Inter-branch United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Students' Conference

Spearheaded by the Council of College Student Government (CCSG) on January 17, 2025, the UM Inter-Branch United Nations SDG Students' Conference gathered student leaders from various branches and colleges to exchange ideas and craft innovative strategies for advancing global sustainability.

The conference placed strong emphasis on SDG 4: Quality Education and SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities, underscoring the vital role of the youth in shaping inclusive, resilient, and forward-looking communities.

Through engaging plenary sessions, dynamic project pitching, sharing of best practices, and inspirational leadership talks, the event empowered UMians to become active drivers of positive change. Participants not only gained insights into addressing pressing global challenges but also strengthened their capacity to translate knowledge into meaningful action, affirming the University of Mindanao's commitment to nurturing leaders who will build a more sustainable future.





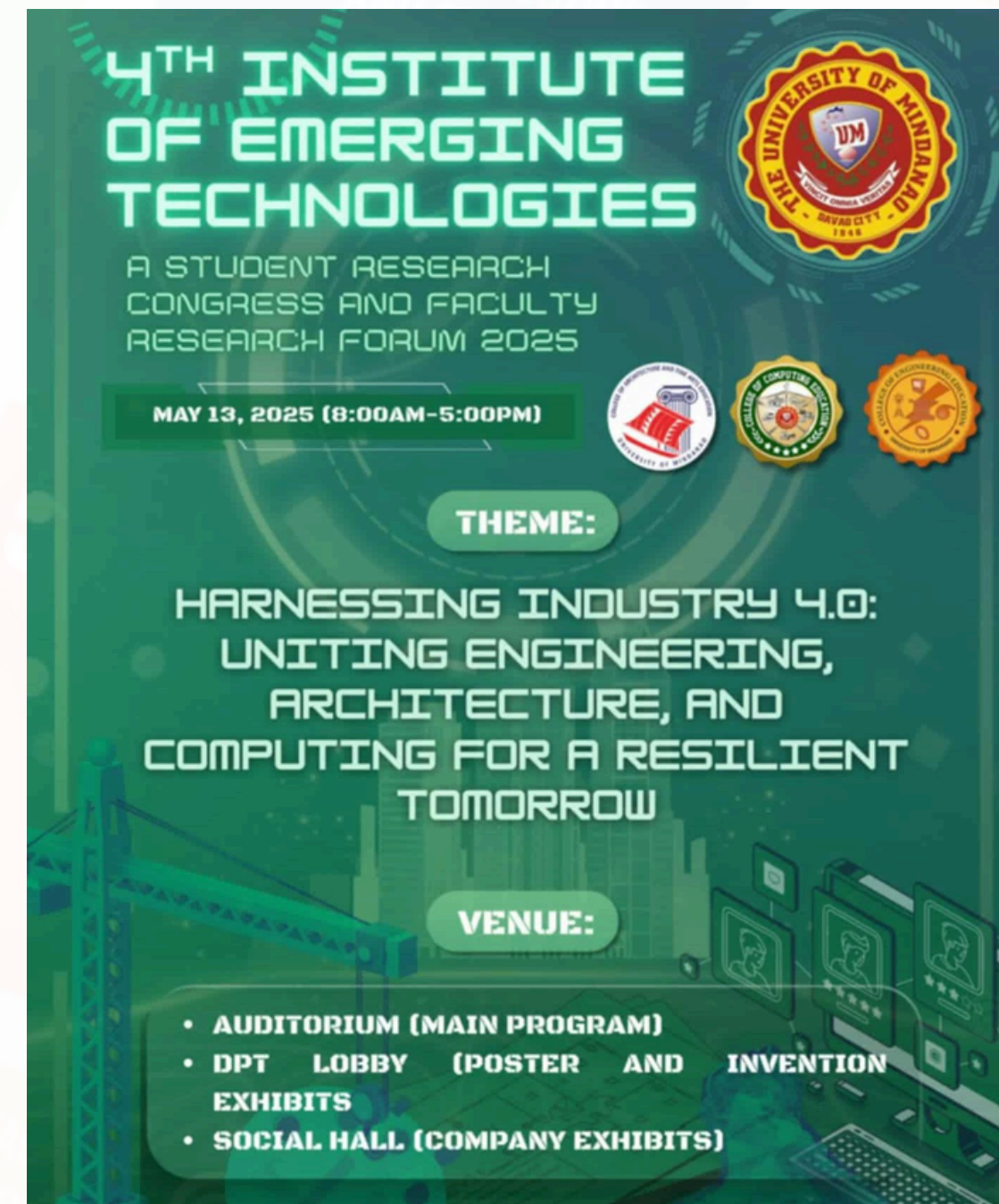


## UM Hosts 4th IET Student Research Congress and Faculty Research Forum

The University of Mindanao proudly presents the **4th Institute of Emerging Technologies (IET) Student Research Congress and Faculty Research Forum**—an interdisciplinary platform bringing together the university's brightest minds in engineering, architecture, and computing.

In response to the accelerating demands of Industry 4.0 and the urgent call for resilient and sustainable solutions, this year's forum serves as a vital venue for students and faculty to showcase research innovations that integrate advanced technologies with real-world applications. The event also seeks to foster meaningful collaboration between academia, industry, and government in addressing pressing challenges in infrastructure, urban development, and digital transformation.

Organized by the Institute of Emerging Technologies (IET), in partnership with UM's College of Engineering Education, Architecture and Fine Arts Education, and Computing Education, the forum underscores the university's commitment to research-driven innovation and inclusive problem-solving. By empowering participants to design and develop resilient technologies that support both social and environmental well-being.







## UM Hosts Exit Report Presentation of DOST Balik Scientist Program

The University of Mindanao proudly hosted the Exit Report Presentation of the Department of Science and Technology's (DOST) Balik Scientist Program (BSP) on August 13, 2025, at Cagliari Hall, Matina Campus.

With the theme "Engineering the Invisible: Advancing Nanotechnology and Smart Systems in the Philippines," the event spotlighted the groundbreaking contributions of Medium-Term Balik Scientist Dr. Khino J. Parohinog and Long-Term Balik Scientist Dr. Chosel P. Lawagon.



The scientists shared their significant accomplishments, which include capacity-building programs, research collaborations, and mentorship activities conducted at UM. Their initiatives strengthened the university's expertise in chemical engineering, nanotechnology, environmental applications, and curriculum development, further positioning UM as a hub for scientific innovation and academic excellence in Mindanao.

Beyond advancing scientific knowledge, the program also fosters partnerships between returning Filipino scientists and local institutions, ensuring that expertise gained abroad is shared and maximized for national development. These collaborations create opportunities for joint research, knowledge transfer, and mentorship that empower local researchers and students to engage in high-impact studies. By bridging global expertise with local needs.

