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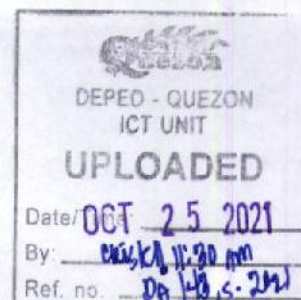
In reference to the invitation from the UP Kalilayan, a UP-based organization of Quezonian students, this advisory is issued for the information of all secondary school heads, public and private

**UP KALILAYAN'S NEIL ERIA EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION SERIES (NEEDS),
TIKTOK CHALLENGE, AND DEBATE COMPETITIONS**

UP Kalilayan, a duly recognized sociocultural organization from the University of the Philippines Diliman will hold its Neil Eria Educational Discussion Series (NEEDS) vis-à-vis contests on Tiktok challenge and debate with the theme "Mind the Gap: Critical Consciousness Towards Bridging the Educational Divide Amid the Pandemic". This activity is set on November 13, Sunday through Zoom and Facebook Live. In this regard, this division encourages active participation of interested junior and senior high schools.

For further details, please see the attached letter, contests mechanics, registration details, and matrix of activities.

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NEIL ERIA EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION SERIES
UP KALLILAYAN

**MIND THE GAP: FOSTERING CRITICAL CONSCIOUSNESS TOWARDS
BRIDGING THE EDUCATIONAL DIVIDE AMID THE PANDEMIC**

2021

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Greetings from UP Kalilayan!

The **UP Kalilayan** is a duly recognized sociocultural organization from the University of the Philippines Diliman, composed of undergraduate students hailing from the provinces of Quezon and Aurora. For more than 40 years, the organization has constantly been in the forefront of empowering the local communities of both provinces, the university, and the Philippine society – particularly, the youth sector – through its projects and activities. These include the Career Orientation and Review (CORE), the Free Medical and Dental Mission, the Sirang Plaka, and the TAGISAN - the flagship project of the organization.

This year, UP Kalilayan will hold the **Neil Eria Educational Educational Series (NEEDS)**, an event of the organization that is dedicated to raise social, political, and religious awareness among junior and senior high school students. It is one of the primary provincial arms of the university in providing an effective platform for engaging the youth in a critical form of thinking and active civic movement. This event features a series of talks about the theme from reputable speakers and a number of competitions where participants are challenged to expand their critical thinking.

After a few years of break, Neil Eria Educational Discussion Series will come back this year in pursuit of exploring through a critical lens the experiences and narratives of the masses situated in the Philippine education sector amidst the pandemic. With the theme, "**Mind the Gap: Fostering Critical Consciousness Towards Bridging the Educational Divide Amid the Pandemic**", it aims to raise awareness about the distressing context of Philippine education in the present, and spotlight the critical role of the students as one of the primary stakeholders of the sector in narrowing the educational divide.

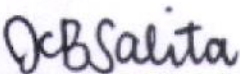
This year's Neil Eria Discussion Series will be held on **November 13, Saturday** through Zoom and Facebook Live. This will feature two lectures from invited speakers as well as the following competitions: Tiktok Challenge and Debate. In this light, UP Kalilayan would like to request your humble office to grant this activity accreditation. Your support would prove to be greatly beneficial both to the success of this event and to the fulfillment of our goal in contributing to the holistic development of the Quezonian and Aurorahin youth.

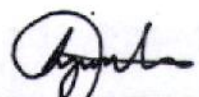
Enclosed in this letter are all the details about the registration process and contest mechanics of Neil Eria Discussion Series. Thank you for your time and interest. Please let us know at your convenience if you will be able to join us for this event. Should you have any inquiries, please do not hesitate to communicate with any of the contact persons indicated below.

For the service of the student-youth of Quezon and Aurora, we remain.

Sincerely,

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ABOUT UP KALILAYAN

Founded on August 19, 1975, UP Kalilayan inherited its name from the original term used to refer to the political area of Quezon during the early Spanish period. More than 45 years since its foundation, the organization plays a significant role in the University of the Philippines in pooling together students from Quezon and Aurora, in pursuit of delivering their talents and abilities to the society. This is evident from the activities it has developed throughout the years.



ROSTER OF EVENTS



TAGISAN

Tagisan is an annual gathering of the brightest junior and senior high school students from Quezon and Aurora. Here, participants are challenged to expand the scope and depth of their knowledge, skills, and abilities through different contest categories and venues for critical discourse.



FMDM (FREE MEDICAL AND DENTAL MISSION)

Free Medical and Dental Mission (FMDM) offers free dental services, medical consultations, and medicines to the underserved and marginalized towns and municipalities in Quezon and Aurora. It partners with multiple medical organizations and acquires the assistance of top-notch doctors and nurses. Annually, the activity reaches out to more than 500 patients.



CORE (CAREER ORIENTATION AND REVIEW)

Career Orientation and Review introduces (CRe) UP education to senior high school student from Quezon and Aurora. It aims to orient and prepare graduating senior high school students about the different paths to choose from in college, as well as how to ace the University of the Philippines College Admission Test (UPCAT) and other college entrance examinations.



SIRANG PLAKA

Sirang Plaka is a university-wide music trivia quiz show and name-that-tune contest. The event aims to promote awareness and enjoyment of both local and international music among students of the University.



? ABOUT NEEDS

Running for more than 20 years, Neil Eria Educational Discussion Series (NEEDS) is dedicated in raising social and political awareness among junior and senior high school students. It is one of the primary provincial arms of the university in providing an effective platform for engaging the youth in a critical form of thinking and active civic movement.

? OBJECTIVE

- To raise social and political awareness among junior and senior high school students of Quezon and Aurora through discussions that foster critical thinking and active civic engagement.

? CONTESTS

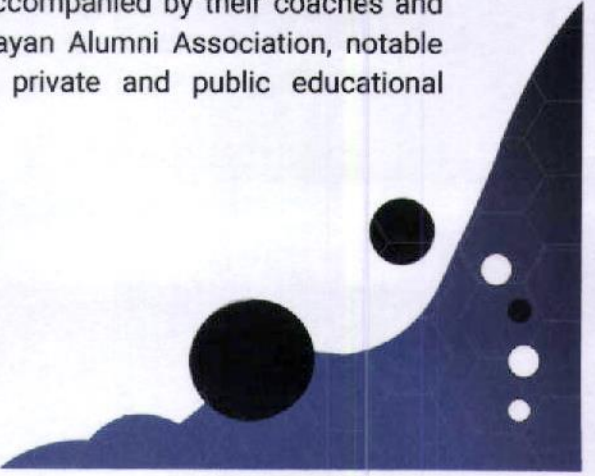
- **DEBATE COMPETITION**

The debate competition challenges the critical thinking of students on local contemporary issues and lets them put knowledge into action. It engages the participants to conceive, articulate, and evaluate arguments and stances about different topics and themes.

TIKTOK JINGLE MAKING

The TikTok Jingle making competition paves the way for young musicians to communicate societal issues through music and encourage active civic participation.

? PARTICIPANTS

- Over 15 high schools, accounting for 200 to 300 participants, attend NEEDS. These include both provinces' junior and senior high school students, accompanied by their coaches and advisers. Event guests include members of the UP Kalilayan Alumni Association, notable guest speakers, a roster of respectable judges, and private and public educational stakeholders.
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REGISTRATION DETAILS

REGISTRATION

Eligible participants from Quezon and Aurora can virtually attend the educational discussion series and/or join their preferred contests for **free**. In lieu of a registration fee, each participant shall submit **proof of enrollment**. For contestants who will participate in debate and TikTok competition, each must accomplish a **contract of agreement**, which serves as a waiver for their privacy, security, and intellectual integrity. **Signed** PDF copies of **individual contracts of agreement**, as well as a document of the **complete list of participants with corresponding contests and their coaches** together with the students' **proof of enrollment (school ID)**, and a copy of their **school logo (PNG file format)** shall be submitted via email at **upkalilayanneeds@gmail.com** by the school's representative/contact person, preferably the email recipient of the invitation letter or the designated head coach for the event.

Subject: [Full Name of School] NEEDS 2021 Registration Details

Filenames: [Contestant's Surname]_ContractOfAgreement, [Abbreviated Name of School]_NEEDS2021_ListOfParticipants, [Abbreviated Name of School]_Logo

The deadline for registration is on **October 30**. For inquiries, you may reach the registration committee at **0915 819 8937** or via email at **upkalilayanneeds@gmail.com**. You may also like and follow our Facebook pages **NEEDS page** (<https://tinyurl.com/y3kta54j>) and www.facebook.com/upkalilayan for updates.

DISTRIBUTION

A confirmation email attached with the event kit will be sent to the school representative/contact person. The school representative is expected to forward the email to all registered participants. The following are the inclusions of the event kit:

1. Bingo Card for Raffle Draw,
2. Raffle Draw Mechanics,
3. General Guidelines,
4. Zoom Manual,
5. Zoom Virtual Backgrounds, and
6. other event-related materials.



NEEDS 2021 MECHANICS

Mind the Gap: Fostering Critical Consciousness Towards Bridging the Educational Divide Amid the Pandemic

The educational divide has long been a problem even before the COVID-19 pandemic, but the health crisis has aggravated and made it more apparent. While some students and teachers are privileged enough to adjust to distance learning, others face financial and health issues, limited learning resources, internet connection instability, and inconducive learning spaces. Many are at a disadvantage, and likely have inequitable opportunities to learn and teach, thus, exacerbating the educational divide.

With this, NEEDS 2021 aims to raise awareness of the Philippine educational divide amid the pandemic, encompassing the current situation of students, teachers, and their families. Educational discussions and competitions will highlight all these to further relational and critical thinking to mitigate the learning gap and utilize media to advocate active digital civic and citizen participation.



PARTICIPANTS

- NEEDS 2021 is open to all Junior and Senior High School students from the provinces of Quezon and Aurora.
 - A. There will be **separate categories for Junior and Senior High School** for the **Debate Competition**. Participants are allowed to join their respective categories.
 - B. The **TikTok Jingle Making** is open to both **Junior and Senior High Schools**.



DEBATE COMPETITION

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Participating schools can send **at most one (1) team per category composed of three (3) members**.
2. Participants should wear **semi-formal attire** and are required to open their cameras during the competition.
3. Participants must be **bona fide junior high school students** for the JHS category and **senior high school students** for the SHS category of the school they are representing.



DEBATE COMPETITION

- 4. Participating in the competition means that the participants give the organizers their consent to record and stream the event on their Facebook page. To ensure this, the participants will be asked to **sign a data privacy consent**, whose template will be provided. A **PDF** copy of the signed data privacy consent shall be submitted to **upkalilayanneeds@gmail.com**.

Subject: **NEEDS 2021 Debate Contract of Agreement**

Filename: **<Contestant's Surname>_Contract_of_Agreement**

- 5. The **deadline for submission** of the contract of agreement is on **November 3**. Only those who submitted the contract of agreement will be considered as officially registered contestants. E-signatures will be accepted.

MECHANICS

GOVERNMENT

PRIME MINISTER (PM)

- Define and set-up debate.
- Present position and case.
- Make one (1) or two (2) arguments.

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER (DPM)

- Defend case.
- Attack LO's case.
- Make one (1) or two (2) arguments.

GOVERNMENT WHIP (GW)

- Briefly summarize the team's case.
- Summarize and prioritize the main issues in the debate.
- Rebut and analyze main issues.

OPPOSITION

LEADER OF OPPOSITION (LO)

- Respond to definition and set-up.
- Present position and case.
- Rebut government case.
- Make one (1) or two (2) arguments.

DEPUTY LEADER OF OPPOSITION (DLO)

- Defend case.
- Attack DPM and PM's case.
- Make one (1) or two (2) arguments.

OPPOSITION WHIP (OW)

- Briefly summarize the team's case.
- Summarize and prioritize the main issues in the debate.
- Rebut and analyze main issues.



DEBATE COMPETITION

- 1. The debate will follow the **Asian Parliamentary debate format**.
- 2. The teams who will compete will be given **thirty (30) minutes to prepare** their constructive speeches **after the selection of the motion** to be debated upon.
- 3. The **motion** will be **randomly provided** by the steering committee from a pool of predetermined motions.
- 4. The **selection** of whether a team is the Government (affirmative of the motion) or the Opposition (negative of the motion) will be **determined by the steering committee**.
- 5. There will be an **elimination phase** which shall **determine the two teams** that will go through the **final round**.
- 6. In the debate proper, each speaker will be given a **maximum of seven (7) minutes** for their **constructive speeches**, and **four (4) minutes** for the **reply speech**. After the **7th minute**, a **double clap sound** will be given and **15 seconds** will be allowed for **extension** for the speakers to wrap-up their speeches. Any **more extensions** will incur **penalty points** for the speaker. The **reply speech** can only be delivered **at the end** by **either of the first two speakers**. The members of the teams are allowed to shift roles each round.
- 7. The PM will be the first to speak to be followed by the LO. Then the DPM to be followed by the DLO and the GW to be followed by the OW. The four-minute reply speech of the Government and the Opposition respectively will follow after the OW. The reply speech can only be delivered either by the PM or DPM for the Government, and the LO or the DLO for the Opposition.
- 8. **Points of Information (POIs)** during the debate can only be entertained **after the first minute** and **before the last minute** of the speech. A **single clap sound** will signify the **1st and 6th minute**. It is the **discretion of the challenged speaker** whether he or she will accept the POI or not. POIs should be short and concise and must only **last fifteen seconds**. A **maximum of three POIs each speaker** is allowed. It must be noted that speakers, although not required, are encouraged to take POIs. In raising a POI, the speaker must **raise his/her hand** first (via the **Zoom feature**).
- 9. The debate will be judged according to three main points: **Manner, Matter, and Method**. The justification of the adjudicator of his/her decision will follow after the debate. The decision of the adjudicator(s) will be final and irrevocable.



TIKTOK JINGLE MAKING

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 1. Participating schools can send **at most two (2) teams composed of one (1) to three (3) members**.
- 2. Participants must be **bona fide junior or senior high school students of Quezon or Aurora**, regardless of the year level.



TIKTOK JINGLE MAKING

3. Participating in this contest automatically means that the participants agree that they are giving the organizers full rights over their TikTok videos. To ensure this, the participants will be asked to **sign a copyright waiver**, whose template will be provided. A **PDF** copy of the signed copyright waiver shall be submitted to **upkalilayanneeds@gmail.com**.

Subject: **NEEDS 2021 TikTok Jingle Making Contract of Agreement**

Filename: **<Contestant's Surname>_Contract_of_Agreement**

4. The **deadline for submission** of the contract of agreement is on **November 3**. Only those who submitted the contract of agreement will be considered as officially registered contestants. E-signatures will be accepted.

MECHANICS

1. The theme for this year's TikTok Jingle Making is **Mind the Gap: Fostering Critical Consciousness towards Bridging the Educational Divide Amid the Pandemic**.
2. The TikTok video should be **15 to 60 seconds only**. The team is expected to have conveyed their message within the time limit. There will be a corresponding **three percent (3%) fractional deduction** from the final score **for every thirty (30) seconds lacking or in excess** of the time limit, e.g., 20 seconds lack or excess shall incur a $(20/30) \times 3\%$ deduction from the final score.
3. The team can use any genre and effects in TikTok as long as it is within the time limit and tackles the theme in their main story, dialogue, interactions, or visual elements.
4. The TikTok video will be **shot and edited within the TikTok application only**. The video output quality should be acceptable enough for cinematic and television showcasing with **at least 720p resolution**. Contestants will have to use a **9:16 aspect ratio (full portrait/vertical orientation)** for their entry. Closed captions are highly encouraged but not required. The final output shall be exported and submitted in **MP4 file format**.
5. It is highly discouraged that the team would gather for shooting and producing the video. The participants are expected to follow minimum health protocols at all times. UP Kalilayan will not be held liable if health protocols are violated.
6. The team has to provide a **title** for their video. The theme for the contest shall not be considered as the title.
7. The team may or may not be present during the awarding on **November 13**. Should their video garner a spot in the top three and they are not present, any representative from the school may receive the award.



TIKTOK JINGLE MAKING

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

1. Entries must be submitted on or before **November 4** to upkalilayanneeds@gmail.com.

2. The following **format** must be followed:

- a. Subject: **NEEDS 2021 TikTok Jingle Making**
- b. Body
 - a. **Title of Entry**
 - b. **Full Name of the Contestants**
 - c. **School**
 - d. **Year/Grade Level**
 - e. **Mobile/Landline Number**
 - f. **Devices and Equipment Used**

3. Please take note of the following dates:

November 3: deadline for submission of Contract of Agreement

November 4: deadline of submission of entries

November 6 (8 pm): posting of qualified entries and start of liking and sharing

November 8 (8 pm): deadline of liking and sharing of entries

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

The following criteria will be used for the judging of entries:

Content (relevance, interpretation, originality): **50%**

Technicality (shooting, post-processing, editing): **30%**

Execution (performance, delivery, conveyance): **20%**

CONTEST PRIZES

First Place	1500 pesos
Second Place	1000 pesos
Third Place	500 pesos
People's Choice Award	350 pesos plus gift vouchers



TIKTOK JINGLE MAKING

● People's Choice Award

1. The People's Choice criteria will be coming from the **combined likes and shares** at the end of **48 hours of posting**.
2. Likers and sharers of the photo should be following the UP Kalilayan and NEEDS page to be considered as valid.
 - a. Link to UP Kalilayan page: <https://tinyurl.com/3ucafz62>
 - b. Link to NEEDS page: <https://tinyurl.com/y3kta54j>
3. The award will be presented and given at the closing ceremony on **November 13** and will be given a cash prize.



MAIN EVENT PROGRAM

TIME	BACKGROUND EVENTS	LIVESTREAM EVENTS
8:00 - 8:30 am	ADMISSION (Zoom)	UP KALILAYAN AVPs
8:30 - 9:00 am	OPENING PROGRAM	OPENING PROGRAM
9:00 - 9:30 am	EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION #1	EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION #1
9:30 - 10:00 am	EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION #2	EDUCATIONAL DISCUSSION #2
10:00 - 10:30 am	BREAKOUT SESSION, DEBATE ELIMINATION ROUND	UP KALILAYAN AVPs
10:30 - 11:00 am	PLENARY (Q&A)	PLENARY (Q&A)
11:00 - 11:30 am	AWARDING OF CERTIFICATES, PICTURE TAKING	AWARDING OF CERTIFICATES, PICTURE TAKING
11:30 - 1:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK	TIKTOK ENTRIES PRESENTATION
1:00 - 4:00 pm	DEBATE FINAL ROUND	DEBATE FINAL ROUND
4:00 pm onwards	CLOSING REMARKS / AWARDING	CLOSING REMARKS / AWARDING

? NEEDS WEEK SCHEDULE

Registration Period	October 18 to October 30
Submission of Contract of Agreement	October 18 to November 3
Submission of TikTok Jingle Making Entries	October 18 to November 4
Liking and Sharing of TikTok Entries	November 6 to November 8
Countdown for the Main Event	November 8 to November 12
MAIN EVENT	November 13

? PRIZES

- Prizes for all categories will be awarded at the end of the event.
 - First Place: E-Certificate of Recognition + Cash Prize of Php 1500
 - Second Place: E-Certificate of Recognition + Cash Prize of Php 1000
 - Third Place: E-Certificate of Recognition + Cash Prize of Php 500
- No overall champion will be declared at the end of NEEDS.
- The first and second placers of the Debate competition shall proceed to **Patalasanlahi 2022**, a national inter-high school competition to be organized by an alliance of provincial organizations in the University of the Philippines - Diliman.
- E-Certificates will be awarded to all participants.