

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY AT BENGUET STATE UNIVERSITY

The Benguet State University-Open University (BSU-OU) was established in 1997 through University Board Resolution No. 768 in fulfillment of Article XIV (Education) of the 1987 Philippine Constitution and R. A. No. 7722 known as the Higher Education Act in 1994 as follows:

- 📖 Article XIV (Education) - to make quality education at all levels accessible to all Filipinos and to develop "non-formal, informal and indigenous learning systems as well as self-learning/independent and out-of-school study programs particularly those that respond to community needs."
- 📖 R. A. No. 7722 - "the State shall protect, foster and promote the right of all citizens to affordable quality education at all levels, shall take appropriate steps to ensure that education shall be accessible to all...", and "the state shall likewise promote the continuing intellectual growth, the advancement of learning and research, development of responsible and effective leadership, education of high and middle level professionals and the enrichment of cultural heritage."

HOW DOES THE OPEN UNIVERSITY DIFFER FROM THE GRADUATE SCHOOL?

The BSU-OU offers Master's Degree programs and non-degree or short courses that are not offered by the Graduate School in the University. It also differs from the Graduate School by having an open and distance mode of learning.

WHAT IS OPEN AND DISTANCE LEARNING?

In an open and distance mode of learning, the students do not attend classes in classrooms regularly. At BSU-OU students are given course modules and they meet their professors and classmates once a month. Additional consultations with the professors are also done by any modes of communication, i.e. through internet, fax, telephone or text messaging.

With this scheme, students are therefore able to gain new knowledge and skills wherever they are whether at work, at home or even while on travel, and at their own pace and time.

Vision

Socially and professionally excellent human resource developer.

Mission

Provide advanced quality life-long education for all through open and distance learning interventions.

Goals

1. To offer through open and distance learning degree and non-degree programs that are responsive to the needs of learners and the society of which they are a part;
2. To develop a system of continuing education to sustain professional growth and promote lifelong learning;
3. To develop and adapt delivery systems appropriate to distance learners;
4. To provide leadership in the development of open and distance education expertise; and
5. To make instructional packages accessible to all publics through collaboration, institutional agreements, and other appropriate mechanisms.

THE MASTER'S DEGREE

Students enrolled in the Master's Degree have to finish a minimum of 37 units to earn the degree. It enables the student to learn the theories, principles, and/or concepts and integrate these into the skills that he/she desires to specialize into.

THE DIPLOMA COURSE

The Diploma Courses is a post-baccalaureate degree with 21 credit units. Students who complete the Diploma Course with passing performance shall be given a Certificate of Completion and may be admitted to the Master's degree if qualified.

THE CERTIFICATE COURSE

The Certificate Courses is a post baccalaureate program with 12 credit units. Other pre baccalaureate certificate courses without credit units are also offered for specialized group of students. Students who complete the course with passing performance shall be given a Certificate of Completion and may be admitted to the master's program if qualified.

FEES PER SEMESTER (fees in the Certificate Courses may defer depending on the program)

PARTICULARS	AMOUNT (PHP)
Admission Fee (new student):	
Within the Country	100.00
Foreign & OFWs students	1,500.00
Tuition Fee per Unit	450.00
Module Fee per Subject	450.00
Educational Development Fee	300.00
Out-of-State fee (OFWs and foreign students)	Summer \$25 Semester \$50.00
Online Fee Per Subject:	
Within the Country (optional)	1,000.00
OFWs and foreign students	\$100.00
Internet Fee	300.00
Medical Fee	100.00
Library Fee	150.00
ID Card	186.00
Miscellaneous Fee	100.00

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Degree/work related to the program.
- At least 2 years work experience after graduation.
- Duly accomplished Application Forms (BSU – OU Form 1).
- 2 letters of Recommendation from former employer/professor (BSU – OU Form 2)
- Certified photocopy of Transcript of Records and Transfer Credential from last school attended.
- Original NSO (birth certificate if single, Marriage contract if married).
- Four copies of 2" x 2" latest ID picture.
- An essay of about 500 words indicating your purpose for applying to the distance education program and your plan after completing the degree (not required in the Certificate Courses).
- Permit to study from supervisor if employed.
- Payment of Application Fee of PhP100 for Filipinos and US\$25 for foreign nationals (Non-refundable).

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

- First semester admission
2nd Saturday of July
- Second semester admission
2nd Saturday of January

COURSES OFFERED

- Master in Community Development
- Master in Community Health Development
- Master in Cooperative Management
- Master in Development Communication
- Master in Human Resource Management
- Master in Non-formal Education (Alternative Learning System)
- Master in Urban Management
- Diploma in Training Management
- Diploma in Urban Management
- Certificate in Community Health Development
- Certificate in Organic Agriculture ladderized to Master in Organic Agriculture
- Certificate in Local Governance

For more information call or visit

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