

First 2025 ORSP Student Federation Meeting Sparks Collaboration

The Operations Research Society of the Philippines (ORSP) hosted a significant gathering of the ORSP Student Federation on February 15, 2025, at the Ramcar Center Auditorium in Diliman, Quezon City. The meeting was attended by representatives from 14 schools across Metro Manila, Los Baños Laguna, Pampanga, and Quezon Province. Two students from each of the full-fledged ORSP chapters and established student organizations affiliated with ORSP attended the event.

The event kicked off with a welcome video from Froilan Tejada, ORSP Board member and Ramcar Vice President for Finance, who himself had served as a Student Federation President during his student days. The



Above picture shows F. Tejada welcoming participants through a video message. Below, E. del Rosario shares ORSP activities for practitioners, educators and students.

welcome was followed by a presentation by E. del Rosario, co-founder of ORSP, who highlighted the society's 37 years of service to practitioners, educators, and students. She also discussed the structure of Student Chapters, Student Affiliates, and the Student Federation. Board Members Rex Robielos and Danilo Mante, who are Directors in charge of the student chapters, facilitated the meeting.

The gathering marked the start of ORSP Student Federation activities for 2025, bringing together enthusiastic students from various schools to engage in collaborative efforts for the Federation. The following colleges and universities were represented by their respective student organizations:

- **Adamson University** – Philippine Institute of Industrial Engineers - ORSP Adamson University Chapter
- **Asia Pacific College** – Junior Finance Executives (JFINEX-APC)
- **Ateneo de Manila University** – Management Engineering Association (MEA)
- **De La Salle University** – Industrial Management Engineering Society (IMES)
- **Holy Angel University** – Philippine Institute of Industrial Engineers - HAUSC (PIIE)

- **Manuel S. Enverga University Foundation** – Philippine Institute of Industrial Engineers - MSEUF Chapter
- **Mapua University** – ORSP Mapua Student Chapter
- **PATTS College of Aeronautics** – Society of PATTS Industrial Engineering Students (SPIES)
- **Southern Luzon State University** – League of Industrial Engineering Students
- **Taguig City University** – Philippine Institute of Industrial Engineers - TCU Student Chapter (PIIE - TCU SC)
- **University of Calocan** – UCC College of Engineering
- **UP Diliman** – UP Diliman Circle of Industrial Engineering Majors (UP CIEM)
- **UP Diliman** – UP Industrial Engineering Club (UP IE Club)
- **UP Los Baños** – Industrial Engineering Department
- **UP Los Baños** – Applied Math of Institute of Mathematical Sciences (IMS)
- **University of Santo Tomas** – ORSP University of Santo Tomas Chapter

An election for the next Executive Board of the Student Federation followed the meeting. Representatives from the following organizations were elected to key positions:



Above picture shows R. Robielos briefing student candidates on the election; Picture below shows the election in progress.

- **President:** Joaquin Carlos Santos (ORSP University of Santo Tomas Chapter)
- **Vice President:** Jio Alfaro (Industrial Management Engineering Society, De La Salle University)
- **Secretary:** Liana Gereah Esclamado (PIIE-HAUSC, Holy Angel University)
- **Treasurer:** John Dave Concepcion (ORSP Mapua Student Chapter)
- **Auditor:** Cristian Obida (JFINEX-APC, Asia Pacific College)
- **Social Communications Officer:** Emmanuel Mark Mones (UP Industrial Engineering Club, UP Diliman)
- **Membership Officer:** Andrei Napoles (Management Engineering Association, Ateneo de Manila University)



ORSP's E. del Rosario, assisted by D. Mante leads the oath taking of the elected officers of the Student Federation.

The other attending organizations remain members of the Federation's Board of Directors.

Following the election, the new officers were inducted into office and convened for their First Board Meeting.

The meeting also served as an opportunity to energize the student federation in planning activities for the remainder of the academic year, particularly the upcoming ORSP Student Congress. D. Mante and R. Robielos weighed in with past experiences and traditional activities, emphasizing focus on learning, collaboration, and advancing the field of Operations Research.

Overall, the event was a resounding success, combining productive discussions with a lively atmosphere, complemented by refreshments and giveaways. It was a day of both learning and fun, with participants leaving as new-found collaborators and friends. ♦



Elected officers shown after their first meeting:

1st row (L to R): L. Guieb (PATTS) K. Moratal (TCU), A. Dolera (UP Diliman), R. Robielos (ORSP Board), D. Mante (ORSP Board), K. Paras (UPLB IMS), C. Miguel (UPLB IE Dept), A. Villamino (SLSU), L. Yabut (UCC), D. Bandalas (MSEUF), and A. Ricardo (AdU).
2nd row (L to R): L. Esclamado (Secretary), E. Mones (Social Communication), J. Santos (President), J. Alfaro (Vice President), C. Obida (Auditor), and J. Concepcion (Treasurer).