AN GIANG UNIVERSITY

OUR YOUTH - OUR FUTURE







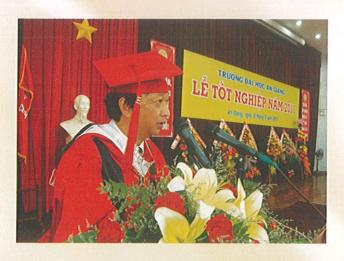








RECTOR'S MESSAGE IMPROVING LEARNING AND BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS



I am pleased to introduce An Giang University (AGU) to the wider community. We strive to provide quality instruction, excellent study and research opportunities for our students and are committed to improving individual learning and furthering the socio-economic development of An Giang province and the broader Mekong Delta region.

AGU's teaching priorities are in education and agricultural research. The People's Committee

of An Giang has highlighted the need for more trained teachers for provincial primary and high schools. An Giang is also a center for growing rice and farming catfish, so AGU's faculties and research centers are responding to the need to preserve and improve the quality of these vital industries.

AGU is committed to developing new technologies and encouraging improved research and teaching methodologies by encouraging staff to obtain postgraduate academic qualifications and participate in regular training and workshop programs.

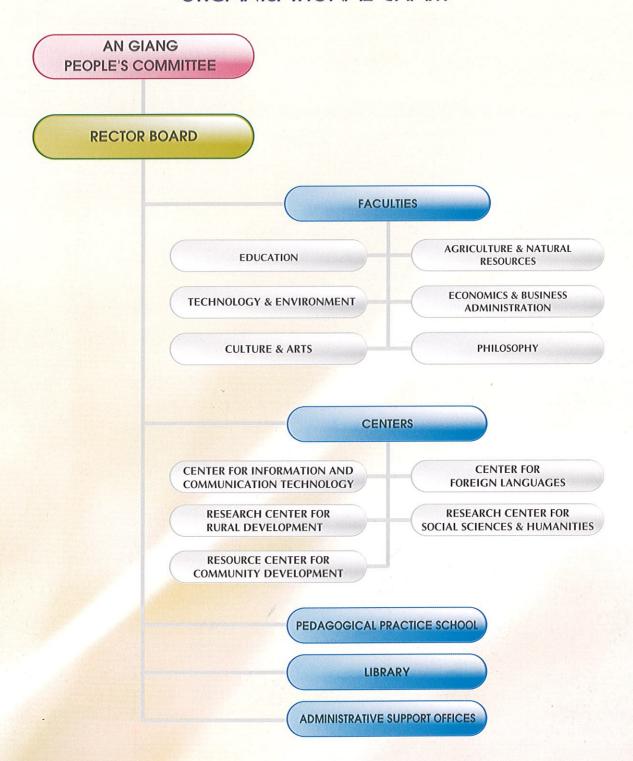
At AGU, we warmly welcome visitors from around the world. We are developing relationships with a range of research centers and tertiary institutions around Vietnam, the South-East Asian region and across the globe. We look forward to working cooperatively with more external partners in the future. We encourage all interested parties seeking collaboration to contact us at any time.



THE AN GIANG UNIVERSITY MISSION

- To develop the human resources of An Giang and other upper-Mekong Delta provinces by providing academic programs of all levels; and
- ◆ To promote the economic and social development of An Giang and other upper-Mekong Delta provinces by undertaking applied research and facilitating its adoption by stakeholders.
- ◆ To increase the proportion of staff with postgraduate qualifications so that the quality and quantity of research and teaching leads to greater improvement of the human resources of An Giang province.

ORGANISATIONAL CHART



THE FACULTY OF EDUCATION

Our Faculty of Education trains qualified teachers for kindergartens, primary schools, secondary schools and high schools in An Giang province and neighboring provinces. The experienced faculty members with a high professional level are also a favorable factor in maintaining and improving the quality of training.

The Faculty consists of Departments of Literature, History, Geography, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Foreign Languages, Educational Psychology, Pre-school Education and Primary Education with experienced lecturers in charge of specialized modules. The Faculty of Education also conducts research that improves the quality of teaching and learning.





PEDAGOGICAL PRACTICE SCHOOL

The Pedagogical Practice School is a public, multi-level school (Primary, Secondary, High School). Its main functions are to educate students comprehensively and prepare them for teacher training at An Giang University. In addition, it also evaluates teachers from other schools and their professional skills; implements scientific research activities, and innovates new educational approaches.

To "Always work towards the success of students", the school applies many interactive teaching methods and pedagogical tools to further knowledge for teaching and educating life skills to help develop the students holistically - mentally - personally - culturally - skills - health and self development.





THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Faculty of Agriculture and Natural Resources trains students in agriculture, rural development and natural resources as well as performing scientific research and technology transfer to improve life in the Mekong Delta provinces. It also has joint training programs with neighboring Universities and Institutions to offer in-service academic programs and professional secondary education.

The Faculty has 6 departments: Soil Science, Biotechnology, Food Technology, Aquaculture, Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry, and Crop Science. More than 60% of the teaching staff hold postgraduate degrees.

In 11 years, the Faculty has produced more than 1,800 graduates, most of whom today have suitable jobs related to their majors and many hold important positions in different companies.

The Faculty of Agriculture and Natural Resources manages many international cooperation programs which have been operated effectively and enhanced the profile and quality of scientific research.





THE FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT

The Faculty of Technology and Environment trains engineers for jobs related to technology and environment issues as well as conducts research. It is actively involved with both domestic and international projects.

The Faculty of Technology and Environment consists of the departments of Engineering, Information Technology and Environment & Sustainable Development. All of these departments function as consultants to companies, the government as well as local communities.



In addition faculty members focus their scientific research work on areas that are important for people's life in An Giang province and the Mekong Delta. Currently researchers are working on applying information technology and construction management models that uses new technologies for environmental protection.

THE FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY



The Faculty of Philosophy conducts research and manages the education of the Philosophy majors, and trains high school teachers in the field of Philosophy. It contains three departments: Marxism-Leninism Principles; Ho Chi Minh Thought; and Vietnamese Communist Party's Revolutionary Policies.

The Faculty is also in charge of teaching other modules such as

Political Science, Sociology, Law, etc. In addition to teaching, the Faculty members participate in research projects and guide students in research and preparing their graduation thesis.

THE FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The Faculty of Economics and Business Administration's students meets the demands of enterprises and employers. It also provides consultancy services and conducts research on economics and business to develop the Mekong Delta's economy.

It consists of three departments: Finance and Accounting; Administration and Marketing; and General Economics. To assist the people of An Giang province it also organizes short-term training courses on business management for managers of small enterprises and cooperatives.

Like other Faculties, the faculty also performs research on local development issues including environmental economics, the supply and demand of aquatic products, the effects of environmental changes on production and livelihoods, farm products markets, and agricultural diversification.



THE FACULTY OF CULTURE AND ARTS

The Faculty of Culture and Arts trains students in the four departments of Tourism, Culture, Music and Fine Arts. All together they teach six majors: Tourism Culture (University level, four years); Journalism (University level, four years); Music Pedagogy (College level, three years); Fine Arts Pedagogy (College level, three years); Culture Management (Intermediate level, two years); and Broadcast and Telecast Study (Intermediate level, two years).

The Faculty provides basic modern and practical information about Vietnam whereby graduates can carry out research and teach Vietnamese studies, become tour guides, or work with hospitality services in the tourist and travel industry.



CENTER FOR INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (CICT)

CICT manages the University's intranet system, computerizes AGU administration and the campus through its consultancy, design and implementation of information technology applications. With a policy of supporting open source applications since its establishment, the Center has developed many free applications for the University.

CICT also provides training for the National Certificate of Informatics



and courses in Networking, Computer Assembly and Installation, Web Design and Programming. The Center also provides services for organizations and individuals.

CENTER FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGES (CFL)

The Center for Foreign Languages (CFL) is responsible for training and providing in-service language courses. It conducts surveys of local language needs to create plans for organising classes; courses at the 'A', 'B' and 'C' level in foreign language proficiency



(English, French, Chinese, Japanese, and Vietnamese for foreigners), intensive courses to improve CFL staff language proficiency, national tests of foreign language proficiency, and cooperates with other centers and units to train, monitor and issue language degrees.

CFL also offers specialised, needs-based courses including Communicative English, Commercial English, English for Children, TOEFL and IELTS preparation courses for different target groups. In addition to local teaching, CFL also organises external courses for other institutions in the city and neighboring areas (by contract).

RESEARCH CENTER FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RCRD)



The Research Center for Rural Development (RCRD) carries out research activities related to rural development issues, organizes training courses on rural development for farmers and other community groups, participates in both academic and applied training programs, provides scientific and technological services for rural development, and collaborates and develops

relationships with NGOs, INGOs and other universities to increase its capacity to accomplish rural development objectives.

RESEARCH CENTER FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES & HUMANITIES (RCSSH)



The Research Center for Social Sciences and Humanities (RCSSH) functions as a consultant to the Rector Board on social sciences and humanities research; conducts research on social sciences and humanities; proposes and manages development projects in remote areas with NGO support; and organizes provincial, regional and international workshops and

training programs in cooperation with other universities and research institutions.

RESOURCE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (RCCD)



The Resource Center for Community Development (RCCD) organizes short-term training courses and negotiates with various partners throughout Vietnam and the surrounding regions to seek sponsorships and cooperation to improve human resources for community development. The very first activities of RCCD included providing English training courses to prepare faculty members for overseas studies. In addition, the Center also offers intensive English programs and soft skills courses for provincial officers, AGU's staff and students. RCCD also cooperates with various domestic and international institutions, organizations and sponsors to support short training schools, workshops and conferences related to enhancing human resources and community development.

Recently, the Center has been focusing on o

organizing and hosting workshops and training courses for regional staff and officers to improve their working quality and performance in education and social welfare.

RCCD is an organization which is self-managed and responsible for a part of its operating budget. It has its own legal entity and seal, and is able to open a bank account to operate its programs according to Vietnam's laws.

LIBRARY

The Library, with its modern facilities is located on the top 3 floors of the Administration building. With support from the An Giang Rector Board, the Library is continuing to develop its electronic library resources, implementing computerized activities in the library from supplementary materials to service users' information needs. In addition printed materials are being added annually and library materials for electronic learning needs, teaching and research have improved for faculty and students of the University.

The library provides students and faculty members with comprehensive support for their studies and provides resource materials development in a learning environment that is favorable to successful academic life. The Library is equipped with more than 500 computers for





students' free use and there are also areas for private study and reading. It has more than 90,000 volumes and 20,150 titles in addition to newspapers, magazines and almost 200 journal subscriptions in addition to ProQuest, AGORA, OARE electronic databases.

CAMPUSES

1. Campuses A & B

Campus A is mainly used by the Education Faculty and the Pedagogical Practice School. This Campus also contains laboratories for Physics, Chemistry and Food Technology, as well as a Library for the Pedagogical Practice School.

Campus B mainly includes dormitories for students and guest houses for foreign visitors and visiting teachers. In addition, there are classrooms used for training high school teachers from the province and one 180-seat hall for seminars and musical performances.

2. Main Campus

In the 2009-2010 academic year, the current 10 - hectare campus was occupied by the Faculty of Education





and Pedagogical Practice School. Students from other faculties began to study at the new 40-hectare campus in July 2009. The move to the new campus sees it as the main campus. The main campus includes 94 new classrooms, one 600-seat hall, two 300-seat halls, four 150-seat halls and six 90-seat halls, together with 60 new labs. The main campus is equipped with 1,200 computers with high-speed Internet access, to be used for managerial tasks, teaching, learning and the management of the credit-system.

ACTIVE STUDENT LIFE AT AN GIANG UNIVERSITY

* Dormitories

More than 12,000 students attend classes at one of An Giang University's two main campuses. The campuses are home to more than 11,000 students from all over the province, other parts of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.

* Cultural and Recreational activities

Student life is rich with different activities, including sport, extracurricular activities, clubs and special events that enrich their learning process and experiences. AGU maintains priority policies for ethnic students and poor students who might be granted admission privileges.

English major students have many extra-curricular activities including Spring Festival, English Speaking Club, Movie Nights, Summer Workshop and also an English Speaking Zone. The Spring Festival is celebrated at the beginning of the year to create a playground for students to compete in singing, dancing and acting in English.

Besides ensuring training quality, the University also focuses on helping students develop holistically, especially around soft





skills and other important life-skills. Students take part in activities such as music performances and sport competitions. In addition, the Youth Union and Student Association have developed a number of activities for students such as volunteering for the community as well as careers consultancy for high school students. To provide an even greater diversity of choice for students, the University has established clubs for Music, Arts, Philately, Literature and History that encourage students to participate and share their enthusiasm and skills.



AN GIANG UNIVERSITY FAST FACTS

- Founded: December 30, 1999 and opened: January 2000
- Governance: People's Committee of An Giang Province
- Location: in Long Xuyen city, An Giang province, Vietnam
- Student enrollment (September 2011 August 2012): 12,815
- Annual growth in enrollment (2000 2012): 7.6%
- Faculties: Agriculture & Natural Resources; Culture & Arts; Economics & Business Administration; Education; Philosophy, Technology & Environment
- Academic Departments: 30
- Centers: Foreign Languages; Information & Communication Technology, Social
 Sciences & Humanities, Rural Development and Community Development
- Professional staff (2011-2012): 897
- Annual growth in professional staff: 5%
- Research: More than US\$ 1,631,852 in such areas as aquaculture, education, equity of resource use, environmental impacts on agriculture of water usage
- Cooperating institutions: over 150 institutions have visited AGU from 24 countries plus the United Nations (UNESCO) including USA, Australia, Sweden, Netherlands, France, Germany, Japan, Thailand, etc.
- Prominent partners include Ford and Fulbright Foundations, West Virginia
 University, AusAid, ACIAR, Wageningen University, MEKARN Sweden, Asian Rice
 Foundation, Consulate General of Australia, the United States, India, Japan; Volunteers in Asia (VIA), Australian Volunteers in Asia (AVI), Teachers for Vietnam
- Faculty Members have 310 postgraduate degrees from USA, Australia, France,
 Belgium, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Thailand, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, New
 Zealand, Philippines, China and presently about 10% of faculty members are studying abroad
- Undergraduate students have been awarded prestigious prices against competitors from other Mekong Delta universities
- Main Campus
 - 40 hectares
 - 600-seat Main Hall, 12 assembly halls
 - Central Library
 - 60 science and technology labs
 - 1,200 computers, High-speed Internet access
 - Dormitory housing for 1,400 students

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