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**OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT****MEMORANDUM NO. BMP 12- 011**

**TO : DEANS, DIRECTORS, HEADS OF UNITS, CHAIRS  
 THESIS/DISSERTATION STUDENTS**

**FROM : BENITO M. PACHECO, Ph.D.**  
 Vice Chancellor for Research and Development

**SUBJECT: Guidelines for Public Access to Theses and Dissertations**

**DATE : 15 March 2012**

Pursuant to provisions of applicable laws including the Technology Transfer Act of 2009, Article 7 of the Revised Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Policy of the University of the Philippines System, and Memorandum No. PAEP 2012-03 of UP President Alfredo E. Pascual dated 2 February 2012 (enclosed herewith), please observe the following effective immediately:

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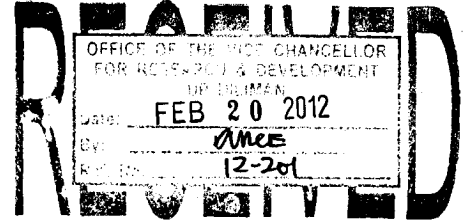
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To : All Chancellors  
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Subject : Public Access to Theses/Dissertations and Defense Proceedings



In accordance with the university's responsibility to generate new knowledge and share this for the benefit of the wider public, all undergraduate and graduate theses and dissertations shall be made accessible via the university libraries and departmental reading rooms, unless otherwise indicated as described below.

Pursuant to Article III, Sec. 8 (h) of R.A. 10055 (Technology Transfer Act of 2009) and Article 7 Sec. 2 of the U.P. Revised IPR Policy which was approved and confirmed by the Board of Regents during its 1269<sup>th</sup> and 1273<sup>rd</sup> meetings, respectively, the university may withhold public access to theses/dissertations and defense proceedings, in the event that such may contain potentially patentable intellectual property, until such time the potential intellectual property rights are fully protected by law. Particular attention should be accorded to theses/dissertations in the sciences and engineering.


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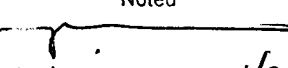
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
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This is for immediate and strict compliance.

  
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**Master of Science in Molecular Biology and Biotechnology**

**Gene Dela Cruz**

***MicroRNA Regulation of Drug Metabolizing Enzyme Gene xxx***

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31 March 2012

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