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## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (STATISTICS) PROGRAM

The PhD in Statistics degree from UP School of Statistics (UPSS) has paved the way for vast opportunities for me – leading various research projects, speakerships, consultancies, and other statistics-related ventures.

While it is seemingly impossible to be oriented with all the statistical methods in the literature, the program's rigorous training taught me to be independent —making every new statistical test easier to grasp when I try to absorb it. I can now break down complex statistical ideas into more digestible terms and even allow this functional knowledge to seep through others' understanding for optimal utilization in their respective fields. Among the great things I gain from UPSS, I have acquired analytical and critical skills in statistical modeling and translating them into a computer programming language for automation, which is imperative in the world today.

The transition I enjoyed from a minimal to a deep understanding of Statistics is built upon a strong foundation of its theory and philosophy—the strength of UPSS. If one wishes to experience the same transformation, then it is best to enroll at UPSS.



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As an educator, the Ph.D.(Statistics) program equipped me with advanced knowledge in statistics, especially with its emphasis on training in research. The strong background in statistical methods becomes very handy every time I serve as thesis adviser to my graduate students, when I am requested for statistical consulting and when I render extension services. The strength of the program is on how it prepares future statisticians to become highly professionals in any statistics-related works and I strongly encourage the young professionals to go into the UPSS graduate program, especially nowadays that the world is increasingly data driven. UPSS will develop your skills to be able to translate data into meaningful information.



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