Mandate

The University shall provide advance instruction in the arts, agriculture and natural sciences as well as in the technological and professional fields. This mandate is in accordance to Presidential Decree Nos. 1434 and 1437, issued on June 10, 1978 by the then President Ferdinand Marcos, establishing Isabela State University.

Vision

"The Isabela State University as a leading, vibrant, comprehensive and research university in the country and the ASEAN region."

The Isabela State University is one of the top state universities in the country having been named as one of the 19 leading universities by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). It has also been identified as one of the 12 Level IV universities in the country by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). All these speak a lot about the stature of the University in so far as some national norms are concerned. However, the challenges ahead that need to be addressed appear to be increasingly becoming difficult.

The advent and ultimate entry of the Philippines into the ASEAN 2015, and its impact in terms of the type, level, competition, as well as the supply and demand for labor and skills in an open market has tremendous implications not only for state college and universities, but also for private academic institutions in the region. The state universities and colleges in the country – the ISU in particular, must brace for the challenges of the ASEAN one open economy. It must start its program to respond to international norms and take leadership to make sure that Filipinos become competitive. It is a formidable challenge and ISU must keep focus and remain steadfast in its vision to be one among the leading comprehensive research universities in the ASEAN region.

Mission

"The Isabela State University is committed to develop highly trained and globally competent professionals; generate innovative and cutting-edge knowledge and technologies for people empowerment and sustainable development; engage in viable resource generation programs; and maintain and enhance stronger partnerships under good governance to advance the interests of national and international communities."

Established in 1978, the University has developed into a premiere comprehensive state university in the country in a span of 34 years. In the medium term until 2018, the University commits to break into international stature through the

development of globally competitive graduates in the undergraduate and post graduate education. In so doing, it commits to create an environment that nurtures academic freedom for a diverse studentry and professionals to unleash their best creative and innovative initiatives in leading and cutting-edge researches.

It commits to consolidate, generate, and efficiently manage its resources to support the foregoing initiatives as well as their utilization for the benefit and development of our students, our people and supply the much needed knowledge, skills, and technologies sought for national development and by international communities.

In addition, it commits to develop and maintain the support of a credible, highly trained, and competitive faculty and staff support to drive and sustain this mission and contribute significantly to the development of our national human capital.