THE PROGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINE EDUCATION SYSTEM

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For 48 years that we have been colonized by the Americans, a huge impact in our Education system was more notable. Even though that the Spaniards have colonized our country for 400 years, the use of English language was more rampant in schools and workplace than the Spanish language. Because of this, it is one of the official languages in the Philippines aside from Filipino. More so, they have provided us with their own system of Education which consists of elementary, secondary and tertiary level. According to a national education resource and referral website called, K12 Academics, during the period of American War, Americans also gave scholarships to deserving students who excel on their studies to study in the United States for enhancing their field of expertise. After studying abroad, in return, they should work in the government for giving back the favor. This kind of program still exists today and has given a lot of chances for aspiring Filipino students to study internationally, hence, giving us a slight increase in the faculty of higher education holding higher degrees according to the author’s source of data.

As a result of colonialism, we have acquired rich history and diverse culture. It has brought different aspects to our country and to our countrymen leading us to embrace change. Our character of openness to change may have help us adapt with people, places and environment easily which have contributed hugely on trying different educational opportunities abroad to learn. In line with this, 10,000 Filipino students come to Australia to study internationally and to achieve their aspirations in life.

We may have a notable decrease of enrollees since the K-12 program was established in our country last 2013, however, we have shown our own progress when it
comes to the field of continuing education. There’s an increasing rate of 40.34% and 12.62% of instructors with master’s and doctorate degree last 2015, which just means that Filipinos still prioritize their higher and advanced education. We may have some lapses in our system, but this does not mean that we are not moving forward. What’s important is that even how small we move, a progress is still a progress.

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