



University of the Philippines Los Baños  
College of Forestry and Natural Resources



# DFBS



## ABOUT US

The Department of Forest Biological Sciences, an integral academic unit within the esteemed College of Forestry and Natural Resources, was established in 1965. It stands as a pioneering institution dedicated to advancing learning and research in forest biological sciences, fostering expertise in diverse areas, including forest biodiversity, biotechnology, and related disciplines.

DFBS envisions as the nation's foremost center for the comprehensive exploration and conservation of forest resources, aiming to enhance quality of life and environmental sustainability.



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## OUR RESEARCH

- Forest Genetics and Biotechnology
- Forest Health and Protection
- Forest Taxonomy, Botany and Biodiversity
- Forest Physiology and Ecophysiology

The Department pioneers research dedicated to unraveling the complexities of tropical forest ecosystems. We explore the rich diversity of flora and fauna, aiming to advance knowledge and contribute solutions for forest ecosystems' sustainable conservation and build a thriving and resilient global environment.

## OUR COURSE OFFERING

### FOREST TAXONOMY AND BIODIVERSITY

These courses constitute a vital foundation for future Filipino foresters, emphasizing the taxonomy and diverse species within Philippine forests. These range from understanding tropical plants to conservation planning and wildlife management principles.

### FOREST ECOLOGY AND FOREST HEALTH

These courses covering insect-related diseases, plant physiology, and advanced pathology equip prospective foresters with the expertise to assess, manage, and restore the health of Philippine forests for sustained productivity and resilience.

### FOREST GENETICS AND BIOTECHNOLOGY

Future foresters gain insights into the molecular intricacies of forest trees, preparing them to employ innovative biotechnological approaches for sustainable forest management and conservation in the Philippines.



## CONTACT US

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