Whole Person Education Academy 2027
"Humanizing Higher Education through Whole Person Learning"

The Ateneo Teacher Center (ATC) and the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia (United Board) are pleased to announce that the Whole Person Education Academy (WPEA) 2027 is open for application.

WPEA 2027 consists of two phases: (a) an eight-week online course from 11 January to 5 March, with asynchronous activities and synchronous sessions; and (b) a one-week residential training-the-trainers' workshop from 31 March - 7 April at Ateneo de Manila University in Quezon City, Philippines.

After completing the WPEA 2027, participants will be able to:
(1) discuss United Board's WPE framework and various research-based WPE frameworks;
(2) analyze the implications of WPE for curriculum, pedagogy, assessment, educational innovations, non-academic formation, and research;
(3) analyze change and implementation issues in establishing a WPE framework in their institution; and
(4) plan basic training to introduce WPE at their institutions.

Course Schedule and Modules

Dates (weekly)	Module Topic
11-15 January	**Module 0:** Welcome to the Course! Online & Synchronous Session #1 on 15 Jan
18-22 January 25-29 January	**Module 1:** Whole Person Learning – Why and What? Online & Synchronous Session #2 on 22 Jan Online & Coaching Session #1 on 29 Jan
1-5 February 8-12 February 15-19 February	**Module 2:** A Graduate Profile for a Turbulent World Online & Coaching Session #2 on 19 Feb
22-26 February 1-5 March	**Module 3:** Teaching and Leadership for Whole Person Education Online & Synchronous Session #3 on 5 March
31 March-7 April	**Residential Course** at Ateneo de Manila University Onsite

Guidelines for Application / Nomination

- ✓ WPEA 2027 is open to 12 institutions committed to whole person education and its implementation. In view of this limited number, first-come first-serve may apply in the selection of participants. The strength of the institutional commitment (e.g., supporting its team morally and financially) will also be considered.

- ✓ Each institution may nominate a team of **two or three participants** – preferably consisting of teaching and administrative staff who are in position to implement whole person education in their home institution. A team of members from different disciplines or offices enables support and collaboration during the WPEA program and when implementing their action plan at their institution.

- ✓ The institution head (President, Principal, Rector or their designated official) must submit a signed endorsement letter, indicating that the team members have been selected based on the WPEA criteria as well as the institution's expectations. Every applicant must submit a copy of this endorsement letter with their online application to our application portal: https://unitedboard.smapply.io/prog/2027_whole_person_education_academy_wpea_/

  An institution's endorsement means:
  - The institution has seriously considered the suitable representatives to the program – teaching and administrative staff responsible for implementing WPE;
  - The institution is committed to covering the **travel costs** of their participants for the residential program, as a sign of their partnership with the United Board and co-ownership of this professional development program. The United Board covers the facilitation fee (US$880 per person) and accommodation in Quezon City.

- ✓ Interested applicants must speak with their institution heads (President, Principal, Rector or their designated official) to get their endorsement and assurance of **travel coverage** to attend the program.

Important Note: Institutions in need of travel subsidy must contact the United Board right away.

Last date for application: 22 November 2026
Selection announcement: 7 December 2026

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