

EXPLORING THE PATH TO *LIFELONG LEARNING*



Once upon a time...



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SUMMIT

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Me looking happy :)

After toughing out every **conceivable difficulty*** of a very poor student, Darlene eventually finished college last May 2010.

Conceivable difficulty

- ① limited income
- ② lack of academic support
- ③ no family help
- ④ no financial support
- ⑤ lack of personal support

*The word "conceivable" means "able to be imagined or thought of."
http://www.dictionary.com/web/dictionary/conceivable

OF COURSE THEY'D OVER-REACT!

I think I'll be asking questions and the people who answer will be people to go with to help me do my homework. I think I can't ask people to do my homework, but I can ask people to help me do my homework.

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Darlene's home circa 2000-2010

Conceivable difficulty

defined here as :

- 1) malnutrition***
- 2) little to no financial support***
- 3) no home light***
- 4) no home water***
- 5) lack of parental support***

**** The above listed difficulties can vary but are the typical difficulties of a Filipino student below the poverty line.***

<http://www.rappler.com/move-ph/issues/hunger/49193-learning-empty-stomach>



happy home circa 2006-2010

OF COURSE THAT WAS OVER SIMPLIFICATION..

I thank all the scholarship providers and the people who gave me jobs to provide for not only my needs but also my family. I can't be any more grateful for all the people who in many ways have helped me become who I am today.

Sir Jun and Sir Keith included :)

This is my life story as well as 33million other Filipino students.

Where do many of us belong?

4BN PEOPLE ARE AT THE BASE OF THE PYRAMID



*Harvard Business Review 2012



The question that you will ask will determine much of the answer that you get.

And so if you ask this question: What is the current state of education in the Philippines?

- a) lack of classrooms
- b) lack of teachers and textbooks
- c) high drop-out rates
- d) low gov't budget allotted at 2%
- e) all of the above





How do you **get learning to people** when **there are no teachers**, when **teachers won't come**, when you **can't afford them**, and even if you do get teachers, **what they teach isn't relevant** to the communities that they serve?

You **create peer-to-peer learning**, or you **create para-teachers**, or you **bring in specialist skills**.

But you **find ways to get learning that's relevant to people** through **technology, people and places** that are different.

Mass education started with **social entrepreneurship** in the 19th century. And that's desperately what we need again on a global scale.

ISKOLAR E-LEARNING



GOAL!

Globally competitive
person!

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THANK YOU 😊