DUAyED’s End-of-Term Faculty Breakfast

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Due to the end of term, 2010-I and the upcoming holidays, last Thursday December 10th 2009, the Faculty of Law held a celebration breakfast for the DUAyED’s Members.

As introduced by Master Maria Elena Orta Garcia, the table of honor was composed by the presence of Ruperto Patiño Manffer Ph.D., Master José Barroso Figueroa, Jorge Fernández Ruiz Ph.D., Elvia Arcelia Quintana Adriano Ph.D., Master Eduardo Luis Feher, Fabian Mondragon Pedrero Ph.D. and, as hostess of the event, Alma de los Ángeles Ríos Ruiz Ph.D. Also attending the event were CUAED’s Director of Projects and Linkage Master Jorge León Martínez, Philosophy Faculty’s Chief of Department of Open University, Master Silvia Vázquez-Vera, among other scholars of both the Faculty of Law as well as other faculties.

After thanking once more the UNAM’s Autonomous Academic Staff Association for lending them the facilities for this event, Orta García proceeded with the projection of a video where the DUAyEd’s several academic activities from the ending term were displayed.
Once the screening was over, the microphone was turned to Dr. Patiño, Headmaster of the Faculty of Law, who, after wishing happy holidays to the staff, recognized the importance of the DUAYEd’s achievements for the Faculty’s own work and showed his gratitude by expressing how pleased he was with the results.

The main challenge for the new term 2010-II, announced Dr. Patiño, will be a careful review and update of the Faculty’s academic program. To achieve this, he said, it will be necessary to conduce a thorough assessment supported, mainly, in several consultations to better comprehend the flaws and strong points of the current program, as well the required amendments.

As part of the process of appraising the current program, explained Patiño, it is required to create, beforehand, a preliminary version of the new academic program, compiling in it the propositions and consultations made by faculty members, members of both public and private institutions, as well as private schools’ professors and researchers.

The foremost aspects of the new program, emphasized Patiño, will be two: the first is incorporating the option to study a specialization from the eight semester, so that, upon completion, the students that so have elected, will earn two degrees: a Bachelor of Law and a specialization in the legal area of their interest. The second will be the inclusion of compulsory English courses throughout the first four years of the Bachelor’s studies, recognizing the importance of graduating bilingual lawyers, who excel both for their legal knowledge and well as for their capacity to respond to today’s and tomorrow’s demands.